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EDUCATION

- 2007-2011 Ghent University – PhD Sciences: Geography
2005-2007 KU Leuven – Licentiate Social and Cultural Anthropology – Magna cum Laude
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CAREER

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| 01/01/2018- present | Associate Professor, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Geography Department |
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PUBLICATIONS IN INTERNATIONALLY PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

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- Bassens, D., Meeus, B.** (2010) Transnationalisme en migratie: een stedelijke onderzoeksagenda. *Agora: Tijdschrift voor sociaal-ruimtelijke vraagstukken*. Vol. 26 (2), pp. 4-8.
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- Bassens, D.** (2013) Review of "Christophers, Brett (2013) Banking across Boundaries: Placing Finance in Capitalism", *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*, Published Online, <http://societyandspace.com/reviews/reviews-archive/christophers/>

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP CONTRIBUTIONS

- Bassens, D.**, Hendrikse, R. (2020) The Geopolitics of Platform Finance: BigFin-BigTech relations in the European Union. Paper presented at the Evolving Geographies of FinTech workshop, November 25-26, online.
- Bassens, D.**, Waiengnier, M., Hendrikse R. (2019) The ‘dirty little secret’ of world cities research revisited: Unpacking Brussels’ advanced producer services complex. Paper presented at the 6th Fingeo Global Seminar on Geography, Finance and Uneven Development, May 15-17, Sao Paulo.
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- Hendrikse, R., **Bassens, D.**, van Meeteren, M. (2018) Hatching the Egg, Populating the Hive. Paper presented at the “Global Conference on Economic Geography”, July 24-28, Cologne.
- Bassens, D.** (2017) Gatekeeping the Islamic Frontier: A Relational Urban Political Economy of Islamic Finance. Paper presented at the “Financialization of Housing and Real Estate: An Exchange” workshop, November 1-3, Beirut.
- Bassens, D.** (2017) Decolonizing Urban Studies: For a World City Archipelago Metageography. Paper presented at the Annual International Conference of the RGS-IBG, London, August 30 – September 1, 2017.
- Bassens, D.**, Hendrikse, R., Van Meeteren, M. (2017) The Appleization of Finance: Reflections on the FinTech Revolution. Paper presented at the International Conference of the Regional Studies Association, Dublin, June 4-7, 2017.
- Bassens, D.**, Hendrikse, R., Van Meeteren, M. (2017) The Appleization of Finance: Reflections on the FinTech Revolution. Paper presented at the 113th Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Boston, April 5-9, 2017.
- Bassens, D.**, Hendrikse, R., Van Meeteren, M. (2016) The Appleization of Finance: Reflections on the FinTech Revolution. Paper presented at the Intersections of Finance & Society conference, London, 3-4 November, 2016.
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- Krijnen, M., **Bassens, D.**, van Meeteren, M. (2015) Stress testing global city theory: Ever-emergence and the influence of diaspora networks in Beirut. Paper presented at the Global Conference of economic Geography, Oxford, August 19-23 , 2015.
- Bassens, D.**, van Heur, B. (2015) Follow the money: Urban elites and cultural patronage. Paper presented at the 111th Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Chicago, April 21-25, 2015.
- van Meeteren, M., Derudder, B., **Bassens, D.** (2014) Can the straw man speak? An engagement with postcolonial critiques of ‘global cities research’. Paper presented at the Ghent Centre for Global Studies workshop “Beyond the straw men: Post-colonial urban theory and ‘Western’ urban theory: perspectives and possibilities”, Ghent, November 12-13, 2015.
- Bassens, D.** (2014) Towards a relational political economy of Islamic finance. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, August 28-31, 2014.
- Bassens, D.**, van Meeteren (2013) Unveiling financialized circuits of value: a dissection of the world city archipelago. Paper presented at the RSA European Conference, Izmir, June 15-18, 2014.
- Bassens, D.**, van Meeteren (2013) Unveiling financial monopoly space: a dissection of the world city archipelago. Paper presented at the RSA International Conference, Los Angeles, 16-19 December, 2013.
- Bassens, D.**, van Meeteren, M. (2013) An Alternative World City Hypothesis. Paper presented at Deutsche Geographentag, Passau, October 2-8, 2013.

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- Derudder, B., **Bassens D.**, Witlox, F. (2013) Gargantuan air transport developments in the Gulf: the desire for global city status, and the role of regional power struggles. Paper presented at the 109th Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Los Angeles, April 9-13, 2013.
- Bassens D., Heinemann, T.** (2013) Relational Geographies of Global Change: The Rise of Middle Eastern Emerging Markets. Paper presented at the 109th Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Los Angeles, April 9-13, 2013.
- Bassens D.** (2012) Doing the work of God: The case of the Goldman Sachs sukuk. Paper presented at the Mini-conference on securitization – University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, October 15-16, 2012
- Bassens, D., van Meeteren, M., Derudder, B., Witlox, F.** (2012) No more credit to Europe: Cross-border bank lending, financial integration and the genesis of a European contagion conjuncture. Paper presented at the RSA International Seminar “Crisis in Europe, Europe in Crisis – Financial Markets, Regions, Cities, and Uneven Development in Europe”, HafenUniversity, Hamburg, May 3-4, 2012.
- Bassens, D., Storme, T., Derudder, B., Taylor P.J., Witlox, F.** (2012) “The tiger is taking a high flight”: An urban analysis of Chinese airline networks 2003-2009. Paper presented at the 108th Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York, February 24-28, 2012
- Bassens, D., Engelen, E., Derudder, B., Witlox, F.** (2012) Securitization across borders: Organizational mimicry in Islamic finance. Paper presented at the 108th Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York, February 24-28, 2012
- Bassens, D., Derudder, B., Witlox, F.** (2011) No more credit to Europe? Mapping Europe’s changing financial integration through intra-European bank lending, 2003-2010. Paper presented at the RSA workshop “Multinational Strategies, Networks and Regional Economic Development”, Rotterdam, December 15-16, 2011.
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- Bassens, D.** (2011) “The Role of London in Global Islamic Finance Networks”. Paper presented at the ESPON workshop “Exploring the ‘new Europe’ in a global space of financial flows: The changing geographies of Europe’s cities”, Reading, October 5, 2011.
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- Derudder, B., **Bassens, D.**, Hoyler, M., Taylor, P.J., Witlox, F. (2011) Variegated Geographies of Recovery and Decay: International Banking Centers in the Aftermath of the Global Financial Crisis. Paper presented at the Third Global Conference on Economic Geography, Seoul, June 28 – July 2, 2011
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- De Vos, A., Alderson, A., **Bassens, D.**, Derudder, B., Witlox, F. (2010) Co-location of multinationals and advanced producer services firms in World Cities: a spatial analysis”. Paper presented at the RSA Seminar “Policy Implications for Knowledge Intensive Business Services (KIBS) and Innovation in Regions in a Globalised Economy, Jena, October, 27-28, 2010.
- Bassens, D., Derudder, B., Witlox, F.** (2010) The Dubai debt crisis: on the role and spatialities of Islamic finance in Dubai’s IFC production. Paper presented at the RGS-IBG Annual Conference, London, September, 1-3, 2010.

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- Bassens, D.**, Derudder, B., Witlox, F. (2009) Into Africa: Islamic finance and the integration of the North African regional economy. Paper presented at the European Conference on African Studies, June, 4-7, 2009
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- Bassens, D.**, Derudder, B., Witlox, F. (2008) Searching for the Mecca of finance: Islamic financial services in a world city network. Paper presented at the ERSA, Liverpool, August, 27-31, 2008
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- Hanssens, H., **Bassens, D.**, Derudder, B., Witlox, F. (2008) Paradigms for conceptualising commodity flows: a comparison of global commodity chains, global value chains and global production networks. Paper presented at the 104th Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Boston, April, 15-19, 2008

INVITED LECTURES & KEYNOTES

- Bassens, D.** (2016) Gatekeeping the Islamic Frontier: A Relational Political Economy of Islamic Finance. Keynote at "Frontier Regions of Global Finance" lecture series, Goethe University, November 16, Frankfurt
- Bassens, D.** (2015) Islamic finance and world cities: Towards a relational urban political economy of Islamic finance. Keynote at Forum Internationale Wissenschaft (FIW), University of Bonn), December 9, Bonn.
- Bassens, D.** (2015) Towards a critical cartography of global finance space. Invited talk at the Global Law Week, Centre Perelman ULB, May 18-22, Brussels.
- Bassens, D.**, van Meeteren, M. (2015) Chasing the phantom of a 'global end game': The pre-failure narratives and numbers of ABN Amro. Invited talk at REFCOM ERC Seminar (KULeuven), Leuven, January 21, 2015.
- Bassens, D.**, Berzin, M. (2014) Towards a critical cartography of global finance space: A reconstruction of the world city archipelago through Eurobond markets. Invited talk at Centre Perelman de Philosophie du Droit (ULB), Brussels, October 28, 2014.
- Bassens, D.** (2013) Unveiling financial monopoly space: A dissection of the world city archipelago 'area'. Paper presented at the Transnational networks and social power workshop – Royal Holloway University of London, London, June 18, 2013
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Bassens, D. (2011) "The Role of London in Global Islamic Finance Networks". Paper presented at the ESPON workshop "Exploring the 'new Europe' in a global space of financial flows: The changing geographies of Europe's cities", Reading, October 5, 2011.

OTHER PUBLIC LECTURES

Bassens, D. (2017) Introduction: Unpacking Money in the City, "Money and the City" lecture series, Brussels Academy, February 3, Brussels.

Bassens D. (2016) Steden in Transitie, Arhus stadsmaatinees, April 22, Roeselare.

Bassens, D. (2015) Brussels and the Urbanization of Finance Capital. Invited talk at "The Cost of Wealth", curated by Florian Wüst (Jubilee), October 15, Brussels.

Bassens, D. (2014) Islamitisch Bankieren: Theorie, Praktijk en Potentieel in België. Invited talk at NIYA, Schilde, March 21, 2014.

Bassens, D. (2013) Islamic banking in theory and practice. Invited talk at Febelfin Colloquium: Islamic Banking: An Opportunity for Belgium? Brussels, December 5, 2013.

Bassens, D. (2013) Islamic Finance: Geen rente, geen crisis? Invited talk at Sacred exchanges – Impakt, Utrecht, July 2, 2013

Bassens, D. (2013) Islamitisch bankieren: Bankieren zonder woeker? Paper presented at the Fairfin Bank to Basics workshop – STUK, Leuven, June 15, 2013

Bassens, D. (2011) Guest speaker on "De Zevende Dag" with "Eerste les in Islamitische Bankieren", October 6, 2011.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Winner of the 2010 Wiley–Blackwell Publishers Area Prize for New Research in Geography

RESEARCH PROJECTS & NETWORKS GRANTS

Emerging Geographies of Financial Technology in Europe: Mapping Organizational, Institutional, and Strategic Financial Center Change in the Benelux

Funding: FWO

Research Assistant(s): 2FTE

Supervisor(s): David Bassens (Cosmopolis, VUB)

Project Time: 01/01/2020 – 31/12/2023

Post-arrival geographies of Syrian and Iraqi refugees in Belgium: Local refugee regimes, residential trajectories, and social mobility

Funding: FWO

Research Assistant(s): 1 FTE Hala El Moussawi

Supervisor(s): David Bassens (Cosmopolis, VUB), Nick Schuermans (Cosmopolis, VUB)

Project Time: 01/10/2017 – 30/09/2021

Circular economy and the city: identifying socio-spatial conditions and opportunities for a transition towards a circular paradigm in Brussels

Funding: Innoviris

Research Assistant(s): 2.0 FTE Deborah Lambert, Wojciech Kebłowski

Supervisor(s): David Bassens (Cosmopolis, VUB)

Project Time: 01/01/2018 – 31/12/2021

Critical Urban Research Brussels (CURB) ULB-VUB Joint Research Group

Funding: VUB OZR

Supervisor(s): David Bassens (Cosmopolis, VUB)

Project Time: 01/05/2015 – 30/04/2019

European Financial Geography Network (EUFINGEO) International Joint Research Group

Funding: VUB OZR

Supervisor(s): David Bassens (Cosmopolis, VUB)

Project Time: 01/07/2016 – 30/06/2018

Global Financial Geography Network (FINGEO)

Funding: Regional Studies Association

Project Time: 01/08/2015 – 31/07/2018

Geografieën van aankomst bij vluchtelingen: Een vergelijking van ondersteuningsplaatsen, - infrastructuur, en -netwerken in Brussel en Beiroet

Funding: VUB

Research Assistant(s): 1 FTE Hala El Moussawi

Supervisor(s): David Bassens (Cosmopolis, VUB)

Project Time: 01/10/2016 – 30/09/2017

Financialisation à la belge: mapping the changing nexus between finance and local governments

Funding: FWO

Research Assistant(s): 1 FTE Laura Deruytter

Supervisor(s): David Bassens (Cosmopolis, VUB)

Project Time: 01/10/2016 – 30/09/2020

Een reconstructie van de verschuivende financiële geografie van de Europese Unie (1985-2007) aan de hand van narratieve, cijfers en netwerken van Europese financiële elites

Funding: FWO

Research Assistant(s): 2FTE Nina Haerter, Michiel van Meeteren

Supervisor(s): David Bassens (Cosmopolis, VUB), Ewald Engelen (UvA)

Project Time: 01/01/2016 – 31/12/2019

Working and Living in the Brussels Metropolitan Area: In search of pathways for liveable urbanization

Funding: Innoviris

Research Assistant(s): 2.5FTE Sarah De Boeck, Joren Sansen, Fabio Vanin, Kobe Boussauw

Supervisor(s): Michael Ryckewaert (Cosmopolis, VUB), David Bassens (Cosmopolis, VUB), Benoît Moritz (La Cambre, ULB), Luuk Boelens (UGent)

Project Time: 01/01/2015 – 31/12/2016

Een meerschalige spatio-temporele analyse van de economische geografie van geavanceerde dienstenclusters in Brussel

Funding: Innoviris

Research Assistant(s): 2.5FTE Maëlys Waiengnir, Reijer Hendrikse, Pablo Medina-Lockhart

Supervisor(s): David Bassens (Cosmopolis, VUB), Gilles van Hamme (IGEAT, ULB)

Project Time: 01/01/2016 – 31/12/2017

Mobility of alternative urban transport policies: multi-site lessons for Brussels

Funding: Innoviris

Research Assistant(s): 1FTE Wojciech Kebłowski

Supervisor(s): David Bassens (Cosmopolis, VUB) & Mathieu van Crieingen (IGEAT, ULB)

Project Time: 01/02/2014 – 31/01/2016

CURRENT TEACHING

Politieke en Economische Geografie (BSc Geography)
 Economic and Financial Geography (MSc Geography, MSc Urbanism and Urban Planning, MSc Urban Studies)
 Stadssalonsurbains (MSc Geography, MSc Urban Studies)
 Terreinwerk I (BSc Geography)
 Terreinwerk II (BSc Geography)
 Urban Geography (BSc Geography, MSc Urbanism and Urban Planning)
 Urban Social Geography (Msc Urban Studies 4Cities, MSc Urban Studies)

CURRENT AND COMPLETED BACHELOR THESIS SUPERVISION

- Benjamin Malesevic – De Geografie van Circulaire Wijken (BSc Geography, VUB, 2020-1)
- Ming Thevissen – Geografie van de Foundational Economy (BSc Geography, VUB, 2020-1)
- Saul Lans – Geografie van de Brusselse lobby (BSc Geography, VUB, 2018-9)
- Alek Bauweraerts – Geografie van FinTech in Brussel (BSc Geography, VUB, 2018-9)
- Wim Huyghe – Participatie in Alternatieve Muntsystemen in Vlaanderen (BSc Geography, VUB, 2016-7)
- Inez Nivelle – The Impact of Pedestrianization on Commercial Activity in Brussels (BSc Geography, VUB, 2016-7)
- Elli Wambacq - Het Maximiliaanpark als stedelijke wijk van aankomst (BSc Geography, VUB, 2015-16)
- Simon Lox - Alternative Cultural Urban Development: A case study evaluating the alternative character of Cinema Nova on the base of its impact in the Brussels context (BSc Geography, VUB, 2015-16)
- Daan Smekens - Mondialisering en regionalisme: het verdwijnen van de natiestaat (BSc Geography, VUB, 2012-13)
- François-Xavier de Crombrugge - Social Construction of Emerging Markets, Turkey as study case (BSc Geography, VUB, 2012-13)

CURRENT AND COMPLETED MASTER THESIS SUPERVISION

- Cagri Tuzcuoglu- Green Commons in Contested Urban Spaces: Fostering the Potential of Kuzguncuk and Roma Urban Gardens, Istanbul (Msc Urban Studies, VUB, 2020-21)
- Annelies De Weerdt – Flemish Municipalities and their Sister Cities in The Global South: on mutuality and good governance (Msc Urban Studies, VUB, 2020-21)
- Lukas Tanzer - The (Entrepreneurial) Ghost in the Machine: A Critical Analysis of the Governance & Policy Logics of Artificial Intelligence (4Cities, VUB, 2020-21)
- Erik Brouwer - Analysing the changing geographies of financial centres: The cultivation of an urban FinTech ecosystem in Amsterdam (4Cities, VUB, 2020-21)
- Marie des Neiges de Lantsheere - Deconstructing the 5G Debate: Key for Unlocking the Digital Age: A causal layered analysis of the national media's socio-technical imaginaries, surrounding the 5G roll-out in Brussels (4Cities, VUB, 2019-20)
- Marnick Clé – Geographies of Offshore Finance (MSc Geography, VUB, 2019-20)
- Pieter-Jan Persoons – Circulaire economie en planning (Msc Stedenbouw en Ruimtelijke Planning, VUB, 2019-20)
- Anna Leena Wacker – Geographies of Lobbying (MSc Urban Studies, VUB, 2019-20)
- Hunter Reinhardt – Circular Economy and the City (MSc Urban Studies, VUB, 2019-20)
- Daniel Hilhorst - Applied planetary urbanization research (4Cities, VUB, 2018-9)
- Antonio Manca - Making Smart Cities Smarter: An Analysis of Blockchain Technology Implementation within Bucharest (4Cities, VUB, 2018-9)
- Daniel Siemsglüss - Imaginaries over urban water in today's planning discourse on blue urban infrastructure in Brussels (MSc Urban Studies, VUB, 2018-9)

- Mandy Eidson - Community Development Finance in the USA and UK: Financial Inclusion or Inclusive Growth? (4Cities, VUB, 2017-8)
- Rrita Pula - The Hybrid Urban Factory: A study on the efficacy and implications of mixed-use, multi-storey buildings that integrate industry, living and working (4Cities, VUB, 2017-8)
- Yannick Sonne – Urban Development as the Trojan Horse of Finance in Academia (4Cities, VUB, 2016-7)
- Olivier Maene – Postcolonial Properties: The Production of Space beyond Dependency And Globalization In Paramaribo, Suriname (4Cities, VUB, 2015-6)
- Harley Ronan - Urban enclosures under contemporary capitalism: An analysis of Business Improvement Districts in Hamburg and London. (4Cities, VUB, 2015-6)
- Dongxia He - Beyond Hollywood: Urban networks in film industry: Case studies from Denmark and France (4Cities, VUB, 2015-6)
- Sonja Dragovic - Workers and Their Factories: How Sense of Place influences Political Action in the context of Late Deindustrialization in Southern Europe (4Cities, VUB, 2014-5)
- Hala Moussawi - Self-organized transport and the Right to the city: Cases from Beirut and Naples (4Cities, VUB, 2014-5)
- Evert Gellynck – Impact van de mondiale financiële crisis op islamitische en conventionele financiële instellingen (MSc Geography, Ghent University, 2013-14)
- Helena Bieseman - Intra-Europese Detacheringen: Analyse van de detacheringen naar België binnen de dynamiek van de arbeidsmobiliteit in de EU (MSc Geography, Ghent University, 2013-14)
- Jonas De Temmerman - Feasibility of Urban Agriculture in Brussels: A Multi-Stakeholder Analysis (MSc Geography, Ghent University, 2012-13)
- Cleo De Wolf - Spaanse jongerenmigratie en de rol van Erasmus in een Europese crisissituatie (MSc Geography, Ghent University, 2012-13)
- Thomas Adriaensen - Sociale media en de stad als strijdtonel in de Egyptische Revolutie begin 2011 (MSc Geography, Ghent University, 2012-13)
- Guus Frenaij - Conflicterende ruimtelijke processen binnen een neoliberaal beleid in Cairo (MSc Geography, Ghent University, 2012-13)
- Alexander De Wit - Evolutie van Chinese steden in het wereldstedennetwerk: Een longitudinale analyse op basis van luchtvaartdata (MSc Geography, Ghent University, 2011-12)

CURRENT AND COMPLETED PHD THESIS SUPERVISION

- Deborah Lambert - Circular economy and the city: identifying socio-spatial conditions and opportunities for a transition towards a circular paradigm in Brussels (with Wojciech Kebłowski, VUB)
- Line Algoed - A political ecology of communal land ownership in changing urban settings in the Caribbean (with Bas van Heur, VUB)
- Hala El Moussawi – Post-arrival geographies of Syrian and Iraqi refugees in Belgium: Local refugee regimes, residential trajectories, and social mobility (with Nick Schuermans and Bas van Heur, VUB)
- Laura Deruytter - Financialisation à la belge: mapping the changing nexus between finance and local governments
- Nina Haerter – Reconstructing the changing financial geography of the European Union (1985-2007) through narratives, numbers, and networks of European financial elites (with Michiel van Meeteren, VUB)
- Maëlys Waiengnier - (Socio)-spatial logics of the service sector in Brussels - An entry through advanced service enterprises (with Gilles Van Hamme, ULB)
- Sarah De Boeck - Working and Living in the Brussels Metropolitan Area: In search of pathways for liveable urbanization (with Michael Ryckewaert, Cosmopolis, VUB)

- Wojciech Kebowski - Mobility of alternative urban transport policies: multi-site lessons for Brussels (with Mathieu van Crieckingen, IGEAT, ULB), defended 7 May 2018.
- Marion Berzin – Brussels' and Belgium's crises: a metonymy of new European Challenges (with Eric Corijn, Cosmopolis, VUB, and Guy Di Méo, Ades, Bordeaux III), defended 10 May 2016.

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH COORDINATION

2007-present: Research fellow of the globalization and world cities (GaWC) research network [<http://www.lboro.ac.uk/gawc/>]; Associate Director of Financialization since 2012.

2015-present: Treasurer and executive committee member of the Global Network on Financial Geography (FINGEO, see <http://www.fingeo.net/>).

2010-2015: Member of the RSA Research Network on Geographies of Finance and Post-Socialist Transformations.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Organizer 3rd FinGeo Global Seminar, Brussels, 4-6 September 2017

Organizer 5th FinGeo Global Seminar, Brussels, 28-29 May 2018.

Organizer of the First FINGEO Spring School, Brussels, 30 May – 2 June 2018.

EDITORIAL BOARDS

Member of editorial board of *Geoforum* since 2019, see <https://www.journals.elsevier.com/geoforum>

Member of editorial board of *Brussels Studies: het elektronisch wetenschappelijk tijdschrift voor onderzoek over Brussel*, since 2015, see <http://www.brusselsstudies.be/nl/brussels-studies-het-elektronisch-wetenschappelijk-tijdschrift-voor-onderzoek-over-brussel>

Agora (2007-2011) - Tijdschrift voor sociaal-ruimtelijke vraagstukken. Editorial Board [www.agoramagazine.nl]

Scientific editor of:

- Agora (2008, issue 4) - Tijdschrift voor sociaal-ruimtelijke vraagstukken. *Imaginaire stad*.
- Agora (2009, issue 2) - Tijdschrift voor sociaal-ruimtelijke vraagstukken. *Ondernemende Arabische Steden*.
- Agora (2010, issue 2) - Tijdschrift voor sociaal-ruimtelijke vraagstukken. *Home/Away*.
- Agora (2012, issue 1) - Tijdschrift voor sociaal-ruimtelijke vraagstukken. *Vlaams Platteland*.
- Agora (2012, issue 3) - Tijdschrift voor sociaal-ruimtelijke vraagstukken. *Crisis*.

REFEREEING OF PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES AND FUNDING PROPOSALS

During the last few years, I have been a regular reviewer for more than a dozen internationally peer-reviewed journals in human geography, urban studies, and finance. I have also regularly acted as a referee for the European Research Council and the Fonds National de la Recherche (Luxembourg).