# 15th Belgian Day for Labour Economists

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## Program

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| 09h15-11h00 | **Parallel session I**  
Labor Market Outcomes and Education at Large (Room NA6)  
Deni Mazrekaj (KULeuven), School and Labour Market Outcomes among Students of Same-Sex Households (with K. De Witte & S. Cabus)  
Brecht Neyt (KULeuven), The Impact of Education Level on Online Dating Success: a Field Experiment on Tinder (with S. Vandenbulcke & S. Baert)  
Fritz Schiltz (KULeuven), The Added Value of more Accurate Predictions for School Rankings (with P. Sestito, T. Agasisti & K. De Witte)  
Kenneth De Beckker (KULeuven), Identifying Vulnerable Groups - An Application to Financial Literacy (with K. De Witte & G. Van Campenhout)  
Active Employment Policies and Labor Market Mismatches (Room NA3)  
Dinara Alpysbayeva (KULeuven), Estimating Allocative (In)Efficiency in Belgian Labor Market: Policy Change to Adjustment Costs (with S. Vanormelingen)  
Eva Van Belle (UGent), The Signal of Applying for a Job Under a Vacancy Referral Scheme (with R. Caers, M. De Couck, V. Di Stasio & S. Baert)  
Sam Desiere (KULeuven), At Work at all Costs? The Employment Effects of the Belgian Service Voucher Scheme (with T. Goesaert)  
Octave De Brouwer (ULB), The Effect of Job-search Monitoring schemes on entry flows into the incapacity insurance (with E. Leduc & I. Tojerow) |
| 11h00-11h15 | Coffee Break (Hall d’honneur)                                        |
| 11h15-13h00 | **Parallel session II**  
Higher education, Gender and Earnings (Room NA6)  
Céline Detilleux (KULeuven), Monopsony and the Gender Pay Gap: to what Extent do Employers Exploit their Power in the Labour Market? (with N. Deschacht)  
Simon Amez (UGent), Smartphone Use and Academic Performance: Correlation or Causal Relationship? (with S. Baert, S. Vuijić, M. Claeskens, T. Daman, A. Maeckelbergh, E. Omey, & L. De Marez)  
Koen Declercq (KULeuven), Gender Differences in Applying for STEM Programs in Higher Education: Evidence  
Employment Perspectives for Young and Older Workers (Room NA3)  
Hannah Van Borm (UGent), What Drives Hiring Discrimination Against Older Workers? (with I. Burn & Stijn Baert)  
Elise Boucq (BFPlan), Non-take-up of employers’ social security contributions cuts: the case of the “first recruitments” measure (with M. López Novella)  
Antoine Dewatripont (BFPlan), Did the reinforcement of the Youth Guarantee Program Help Young Unemployed in |
from a Policy Shift in Hungary (with J. Ghysels & J. Varga)

Andreu Arenas (UCLouvain), The Design of University Entrance Exams and its Implications for Gender Gaps (with C Calsamiglia)

Brussels to Find a Job? (with M. López Novella)

Maritza Lopez Novella (BFPlan), Removing Youth Sub-minimum Wage Rates in Belgium: Did it Affect Youth Employment?

13h00-14h00: Lunch (Hall d’honneur)

14h00-15h15: Keynote (Room NA3)

Arindrajit Dube (University of Massachusetts Amherst)

The Effect of Minimum Wages on Low-Wage Jobs: Evidence from the United States Using a Bunching Estimator

15h15-15h30: Coffee Break (Hall d’honneur)

15h30-17h00: Parallel session III

Vocational Education (Room NA6)

Didier Fourage (Maastricht U.), The Role of Unanticipated Labour Market Conditions in Graduates’ Regret of Study Choice (with Melline Somers)

Ilse Tobback (KULeuven), Student Access to Apprenticeships: Student Characteristics and Underlying Mechanisms Evidence from a Vignette Study (with Dieter Verhaest & Stijn Baert)

Melline Somers (Maastricht U.), Why Do Students Enroll in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)? Evidence from a Large-Scale Targeted Intervention in the Amsterdam Metropolitan Area (with S. Cabus)

Labor Market in Development and Transition Economies (Room NA3)

Juliana Mesén Vargas (UCLouvain), Income Effect on Labor Outcomes of People Living in Poverty: the case of PROGRESA

Aigerim Yergabulova (KULeuven), Gross Job Flows in a Transition Economy: an Analysis of Kazakhstan

Zainab Iftikhar (UCLouvain), Brain drain, informality and inequality: a search-and-matching model for sub-Saharan Africa (with F. Docquier)

Organising committee:
François Rycz (Dulbea/Ceb, SBS-EM, ULB) et Ilan Tojerow (Dulbea/Ceb, SBS-EM, ULB).

Scientific committee:
Stijn Baert (UGent), Nick Deschacht (KULeuven), Muriel Dejemeppe (UCL), Vincent Vandenberghue (UCL), Mélanie Volral (UMons), Dieter Verhaest (KULeuven), Sunčica Vujić (UAntwerpen)

Registration is compulsory and not later than May 24th at the following link: [here]
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Directions can be found [here]