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CONTACT INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Crime, health, gender, and the position of different groups in the labour market, such as: (1) Youth at risk of crime, unemployment, and teen pregnancy; (2) Labour market position of women – gender pay and pension gaps, career progression and glass ceiling, discrimination; (3) Inequality and intergenerational mobility – equalisation of educational attainment of those from different socioeconomic backgrounds as an important tool for improving the equality of opportunity in society.

EDUCATION

2009 **PhD in Economics**, *VU University & Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam*

2002 **MPhil in Economics**, *Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam*

2000 **MA in Economics**, *Central European University (CEU), Budapest*

1997 **BSc in Economics**, *Faculty of Economics, University of Belgrade*

CURRENT AND PAST EMPLOYMENT

University of Antwerp, Antwerp, Belgium

Associate Professor (UHD), Department of Economics (Tenured) 10/2014 –

University of Bath, Bath, United Kingdom

Honorary Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics 01/2015-12/2020

Lecturer, Department of Economics (Tenured since 06/2014) 07/2011-09/2014

London School of Economics, London, United Kingdom

Research Officer, Department of Management 09/2009-06/2011

Research Assistant, Centre for Economic Performance (CEP) 09/2004-08/2005

University of Groningen, Groningen, The Netherlands

Assistant Professor (UD), Department of Economics and Econometrics 02/2009-07/2009

University of Freiburg, Freiburg, Germany

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Econometrics 11/2008

ORTEC Finance, Amsterdam and Rotterdam, The Netherlands

Research Economist, Research Department 09/2008-08/2009

Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis (CPB), The Hague, The Netherlands

Research Economist, Competition and Regulation Department 07/2006-06/2008

VU University Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Assistant Professor (UD), Department of Economics 02/2008-08/2008

Research Assistant (AiO), Department of Econometrics 09/2000-06/2006

National Bank of Yugoslavia, Belgrade, Yugoslavia

Researcher (Summer Internship), Research Department 07/1998-08/1998

RESEARCH OUTPUT

Work in Progress

- (1) Carr, J., Clifton-Sprigg, J., James, J., and **Vujić, S.** (2020). Love thy Neighbour? Brexit and Hate Crime.
- (2) Lebedinski, L., Popović, M., and **Vujić, S.** (2020). Operation Allied Force: Unintended Consequences of the NATO Bombing on Children's Outcomes in Serbia.
- (3) James, J., and **Vujić, S.** (2020). Education and Fertility Timing.
- (4) Carr, J., Marie, O., and **Vujić, S.** (2020). Education and Crime.
- (5) Ezeyi, O. and **Vujić, S.** (2020). Twin Peaks: An Analysis of the Gender Gap in Pension Income in England.
- (6) Wood, J., **Vujić, S.**, and Neels, K. (2020). Differential Effects of Varying Types of Training for Job Seekers.
- (7) De Borger, B., Estrin, S., Stephan, U., and **Vujić, S.** (2020). *Do Women Earn Less Even as Social Entrepreneurs?*
- (8) Amez, S., **Vujić, S.**, De Marez, L., and Baert, S. (2020). Smartphone Use and Academic Performance: First Evidence From Longitudinal Data (Submitted).
- (9) Clifton-Sprigg, J., James, J., and **Vujić, S.** (2017). FOI as a Data Collection Tool for Economists (Under revision).

Publications in Peer-Reviewed Economics Journals

- (10) Baert, S., **Vujić, S.**, Amez, S., Claeskens, M., Daman, T., Maeckelberghe, A., Omey, E., and De Marez, L. (2019). Smartphone Use and Academic Performance: Correlation or Causal Relationship? *Kyklos*, forthcoming.
- (11) James, J., and **Vujić, S.** (2019). From High School to the High Chair: Education and Fertility Timing, *Economics of Education Review* 69: 1-24.
- (12) Baert, S. and **Vujić, S.** (2018). Does It Pay to Care? Volunteering and Employment Opportunities, *Journal of Population Economics* 31(3): 819-836.
- (13) **Vujić, S.** and Zhang, X. (2018). Does Twitter Chatter Matter? Online Reviews and Cinema Box Office Sales. *Applied Economics* 50 (34-35): 3702-3717.
- (14) Baert, S., and **Vujić, S.** (2016). Immigrant volunteering: A way out of labour market discrimination? *Economics Letters* 146: 95-98.
- (15) **Vujić, S.**, Commandeur, J. J. F., and Koopman, S. J. (2016). Intervention Time Series Analysis of Crime Rates: The Case of Sentence Reform in Virginia, *Economic Modelling* 57: 311-323.
- (16) Webbink, D., Koning, P., **Vujić, S.**, and Martin, N. G. (2013). Why Are Criminals Less Educated than Non-Criminals? Evidence from a Cohort of Young Australian Twins, *The Journal of Law, Economics & Organization* 29(1): 115-144.
- (17) Machin, S., Marie, O., and **Vujić, S.** (2012). Youth Crime and Education Expansion, *German Economic Review* (Special Issue on Economics of Crime) 13(4): 366-384.
- (18) Webbink, D., **Vujić, S.**, Koning, P., and Martin, N. G. (2012). The Effect of Childhood Conduct Disorder on Human Capital, *Health Economics* 21: 928-945.
- (19) **Vujić, S.**, Koopman, S. J., and Commandeur, J. J. F. (2012). Economic Trends and Cycles in Crime: A Study for England and Wales, *Journal of Economics and Statistics / Jahrbücher für Nationalökonomie und Statistik* (Special Issue on Economics of Risky Behaviour & Sensation Seeking) 232(6): 652-677.
- (20) Machin, S., Marie, O., and **Vujić, S.** (2011). The Crime Reducing Effect of Education, *The Economic Journal* 121(552): 463-484.

Publications in Peer-Reviewed Other Journals

- (21) Amez, S., **Vujić, S.**, Soffers, P., and Baert, S. (2019). Yawning while scrolling? Examining gender differences in the association between smartphone use and sleep quality. *Journal of Sleep Research*, Forthcoming.
- (22) Wood, J., Neels, K., and **Vujić, S.** (2019). Wegwijs naar werk: instroom en effectiviteit van VDAB-activeringsmaatregelen geëvalueerd. *Over. Werk. Tijdschrift van het Steunpunt Werk*, 29(2), 98-104. Steunpunt Werk / Uitgeverij Acco (in Dutch).
- (23) Lens, D., Marx, I., and **Vujić, S.** (2019). Double jeopardy: How refugees fare in one European labor market? *IZA Journal of Development and Migration* 10(1): 1-29.
- (24) Randelović, S., Žarković-Rakić, J., Vladislavljević, M., and **Vujić, S.** (2019). Labour Supply and Inequality Effects of In-Work Benefits: Evidence from Serbia. *Naše gospodarstvo/Our Economy*, 65(3), 1–22.
- (25) Souto-Otero, M., Huisman, J., Beerkens, M., de Wit, H., and **Vujić, S.** (2013). Barriers to International Student Mobility: Evidence from the ERASMUS Program, *Educational Researcher* 42(2): 70-77.
- (26) **Vujić, S.**, and Baronijan, H. (2013). The Relationship between Preschool Education Attendance and School Performance and Potential for Improvement of Preschool Education in Serbia, *Psychological Research / Psihološka istraživanja XVI* (2): 105-140 (in Serbian).
- (27) Noailly, J., **Vujić, S.**, and Aouragh, A. (2012). The Effects of Competition on the Quality of Primary Schools in the Netherlands, *Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space* 44(9): 2153-2170.

Books and Book Chapters

- (28) Koopman, S. J., Commandeur, J. J. F., Bijleveld, F. D., and **Vujić, S.** (2018). Continuous Time State Space Modelling with an Application to High-Frequency Road Traffic Data. In Kees van Montfort, Johan Oud and Manuel Voelkle (Eds.) *Continuous Time Modelling in the Behavioural and Related Sciences*, Springer International Publishing, Chapter 17: 305-315.
- (29) Dries, L., Marx, I., and **Vujić, S.** (2018). Does Migration Motive Matter for Migrants' Employment Outcomes? The Case of Belgium. In Christiane Timmerman, Noel Clycq, François Levrau, Lore Van Praag and Dirk Vanheule (Eds.) *Migration and Integration in Flanders: Multidisciplinary Perspectives*. Leuven University Press. Chapter 10: 245-271.
- (30) Johnson, S., Li, Y., Storchi, S., and **Vujić, S.** (2015). Financial Capability and Financial Inclusion: Measuring the Missing Ingredient. In Amrik Heyer and Michael King (Eds.) *Kenya's Financial Transformation in the 21st Century*, FSD Kenya, Chapter 7: 251-291.
- (31) Vladislavljević, M., Avlijaš, S., and **Vujić, S.** (2015). Gender Wage Inequality in the Western Balkans. In Cristiano Perugini and Fabrizio Pompei (Eds.) *Inequalities During and After Transition in Central and Eastern Europe*, Palgrave MacMillan, Chapter 9: 222-243.
- (32) Avlijaš, S., Ivanović, N., Vladislavljević, M., and **Vujić, S.** (2013). *Gender Pay Gap in the Western Balkan Countries: Evidence from Serbia, Montenegro and Macedonia*, joint with the Foundation for the Advancement of Economics (FREN) and the University American College – Skopje (UACS). Funded by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) – Regional Research Promotion Programme (RRPP) Western Balkans.
- (33) **Vujić, S.** (2009). *Econometric Studies to the Economic and Social Factors of Crime*, Ph.D. Thesis, Tinbergen Institute & Thela Thesis Research Series, No. 454.

Policy Reports

- (34) Wood, J., Neels, K., Elloukmani, S., Ou-Salah, L., Maes, J., Raeymaeckers, P., **Vujić, S.**, Kasztan-Flechner, T., Horemans, J., Ghysels, J. (2020). *Wegwijs naar werk. Longitudinale analyse en evaluatie van inburgerings- en activeringstrajecten in Vlaanderen, 2005-2016*. Antwerpen: Universiteit Antwerpen (in Dutch).

- (35) **Vujić, S.,** Baronijan, H. and Baucal, A. (2012). *Investing in Early Childhood Education in Serbia: Different Costing Scenarios of Preschool Education*, EU-UNICEF.

RESEARCH GRANTS

Principal Investigator (PI)

- 2019/20 EU-UNICEF, "Feasibility study on PPP to expand pre-school education in Serbia"
2019/20 KP (BOF), University of Antwerp, Faculty Support for Research. "The Effect of Brexit on Hate Crime and Migration in the United Kingdom"
2016/17 KP (BOF), University of Antwerp, Faculty Support for Research. "Ethnic Composition as a Factor Explaining Public Policy in Developing Countries"
2012/15 EU-Tempus Consortium, "Towards Sustainable & Equitable Financing of Higher Education in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia" (PI on behalf of University of Bath)
2012 EU-UNICEF, "Public Expenditure Tracking Survey (PETS) in the Area of Education: Evidence from Macedonia"
2011/12 EU-UNICEF, "Investing in Early Childhood Education in Serbia: Different Costing Scenarios of Preschool Education"
2011 Serbian Government (Social Inclusion and Poverty Reduction Unit), "Preschool Education and Student Achievement in Serbia: Evidence from PISA"

Co-Investigator (CI)

- 2018/19 VLIR-UOS, "Concerted Research Program in Health Economics at Kinshasa School of Public Health" (Bilateral Scientific Cooperation Congo) (PI: Diana De Graeve)
2016/18 Flemish Government (VIONA), "Migration, integration and labour markets with specific focus on labour market position of women and effectiveness of (labour market) integration programmes targeting recent migrants" (PI: Karel Neels)
2014/16 KTP between University of Bath and Oxford Policy Management (OPM), "Mixed-methods research and evaluation methodologies in education" (PI: Susan Johnson)
2014/15 FSD Kenya, "Using Financial Diaries Data to Assess the Impact of Financial Services on Livelihoods of Low Income Individuals and Households and their Gender Dimensions in Kenya" (PI: Susan Johnson)
2012/13 Global Development Network (GDN) Regional Research Competition (RRC-12) at CERGE-EL, "Making Work Pay: Evidence from a Transition Country" (PI: Jelena Žarković-Rakić)
2010 UNDP Serbia, "Effectiveness of Severance to Job ALMP" (PI: Aleksandra Nojković)

TEACHING AND SUPERVISION

Permanent or Visiting Staff

- 2014- *University of Antwerp, Department of Economics*
Introduction to Econometrics (UG), Applied Econometrics (PG), Labour Economics (PG), Labour and Policy (Arbeid en beleid) (PG), Introduction to Stata (PG)
2011-2014 *University of Bath, Department of Economics*
Economics of Education (UG), (2013-14), Time Series Analysis (UG), (2012-14), Econometrics I (UG), joint w. Dr. Papps (2011-14), Introduction to Econometrics (UG), joint w. Dr. Toth (2011-12), Financial Econometrics (PG), joint w. Dr. Morley (2011-12)
02-07/2009 *University of Groningen, Department of Economics & Econometrics*
Microeconometrics with Stata (PG), joint with Dr. Alessie, Microeconometrics with Stata (PG), joint with Dr. Otter
11/2008 *University of Freiburg, Department Econometrics*
Economics of Education (PG)

Inter-Institutional Staff Mobility Teaching

- 07/2019 *Institute of Economic Sciences, Belgrade*
Summer School on Principles of Econometrics with Stata
- 06/2016 *University of Bath, Department of Economics*
Erasmus+ Staff Mobility Programme for Teaching Assignments
Microeconometrics and Time Series Analysis with Stata Applications
- 2010-2012 *FREN & Faculty of Economics, University of Belgrade*
WUS Austria Brain Gain Programme
Introduction to Stata (PG) (12/2010), Time Series Analysis with Stata (PG) (08/2011),
Panel Data Analysis with Stata (PG) (02/2012)

PhD Dissertation Supervision

- (1) *Patrick Ndlovu (University of Antwerp, joint with Roland Winkler)*, Wage differentials, economic shocks and government wage regulation – a gender based empirical analysis of labour market outcomes in Canada (Ongoing).
- (2) *Joel Carr (University of Antwerp, joint with Roland Winkler)*, Universal Basic Income (UBI) and Its Effects on the Labour Market (Ongoing).
- (3) *Sofia Maier (University of Antwerp, joint with G. Erreygers)*, Empirical essays on the effects of the economic cycle on health, fertility and human capital (2015/19).
- (4) *Onyinye Margaret Ezeyi (University of Bath, joint with K. Papps)*, Retirement, Pensions and Gender: Evidence from the UK (2014/19).

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Professional Affiliations

- 2019- *Research Fellow, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA)*
- 2018- *Research Fellow, Global Labor Organization (GLO)*
- 2013- *Research Associate, Centre for the Analysis of Social Policy (CASP), University of Bath*
- 2013- *Research Associate, Centre for Development Studies (CDS), University of Bath*
- 2011- *Member of the European Expert Network on Economics of Education (EENEE)*
- 2011- *Research Associate, Foundation for the Advancement of Economics (FREN), Belgrade*
- 2011- *Member of the LSEE Research Network on Social Cohesion in South Eastern Europe*
- 2009- *Membership in Scientific Associations: AEA, EEA-ESEM, ESPE, EALE, SOLE, RES*

Reviewer Service

- 2002- *Journals (number of manuscripts): The Economic Journal (3), Journal of Public Economics (2), Management Science (1), Demography (1), Labour Economics (5), Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization (1), Empirical Economics (4), Oxford Economic Papers (1), IZA Journal of Labor Economics (1), German Economic Review (1), Journal of Quantitative Criminology (1), Economic Modelling (3), International Journal of Manpower (1), Contemporary Economic Policy (1), Applied Economics (1), Manchester School (1), Small Business Economics (1), Bulletin of Economic Research (1), Journal of Education and Work (22), European Journal of Population (1), Population Research and Policy Review (1), Belgisch Tijdschrift voor Sociale Zekerheid (1), Economic Issues (1), Public Policy and Administration (1), Journal of Cultural Economics (1), British Educational Research Journal (1), Crime, Law and Social Change (1), Društvena Istraživanja (1), Europe-Asia Studies (2), Journal of Economic Policy Reform (1), International Journal of Engineering Management and Economics (1).*

Conference and Workshop (Co)-Organiser

- 2018- *Christmas Meeting of Belgian Economists (Antwerp, 2018, Local Organiser; UCL, 2019, Scientific Committee)*
- 2016- *Belgian Day for Labour Economists (BDLE) (Antwerp, 2016, Local Organiser; UCL, 2017, Scientific Committee; ULB, 2018, Scientific Committee; Maastricht, 2019, Scientific*

	Committee)
06/2018	European Society for Population Economics (ESPE) Annual Conference, Antwerp, Local Organiser
30/05/2014	Gender Pension Gap Workshop, Bristol Older People's Forum, Bristol, Local Organiser
04/04/2014	Crime-Economics Mini-Conference, Bath, Local Organiser
24/01/2014	Bath-Bristol Applied Microeconomics Workshop, Bath
05/2013	EU-Tempus FINHED Study Group, Bath

Other Academic Duties (Department Service)

University of Antwerp

2018-	Member of the Faculty FBE Research Council (Onderzoeksraad)
2015-	Member of the Interdisciplinary SEW Education Committee (GOC-SEW)
2015-2018	Member of the Faculty FBE Council (Faculteitsraad)
2015-2017	Member of the Faculty FBE Internationalisation Committee (CIR)
2014-	Member of the Department of Economics (AEC) Council (Departementsraad)
2014 -	Member of the Faculty FBE Examination Committee for a Master in Economic Policy

University of Bath

2012/14	Member of the Department of Economics Research Committee, University of Bath
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INVITED SEMINARS & PRESENTATIONS

11/2019	Economics of Education workshop on "Improving Quality and Returns to Education," KU Leuven (<u>Keynote presentation</u>).
10/2019	Annual conference of the Institute of Economic Sciences (IEN) "Econometric Modelling in Economics and Finance," Belgrade (<u>Keynote presentation</u>).
08/2018	The 2 nd International Conference on "Giftedness, Education and Development" organized by Mensa Serbia, Belgrade (<u>Keynote presentation</u>).
06/2018	Research Seminar, the Institute of Economic Sciences (IEN), Belgrade, Serbia
06/2018	The 9 th International Scientific Conference on "Security System Reforms as Precondition For Euro-Atlantic Integrations" organized by the Faculty of Security in Skopje, Ohrid (<u>Keynote presentation</u>).
04/2018	Research Seminar on Learning and Work, University of Maastricht, Maastricht.
06/2016	Research Seminar, Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI), Stockholm.
03/2016	Faculty Seminar, Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB), Brussels.
09/2015	The National Confederation of General Insurance, Private Life and Pension and Supplementary Health Fund – Cnseg, The 7 th Bi-Annual Conference on Insurance Consumer Protection, São Paulo.
09/2015	WEstart: Women Social Entrepreneurs Changing Europe, The European Economic and Social Committee, Brussels.
06/2015	Faculty Seminar, University of Freiburg Alumni Organisation, Freiburg.
09/2011	Faculty seminar, Department of General Economics, Amsterdam Centre for Entrepreneurship (ACE), University of Amsterdam.
06/2011	Faculty Seminar, Institute of Education (IOE), University College London.
10/2010	Labour & Public Economics Seminar, Helsinki Centre of Economic Research, Helsinki.
06/2009	Faculty Seminar, Department of Economics, University of Maastricht.
12/2008	Faculty Seminar, ZEW, Mannheim.
11/2008	Faculty Seminar, Department of Econometrics, University of Freiburg, Freiburg.
10/2007	COST, Evaluation of European Labour Market Programmes, CPB, The Hague.
12/2005	The Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis (CPB), The Hague.
