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Career

- Researcher Flemish Peace Institute (2020 - now)
- Research project coordinator Socaba (2019)
- Researcher EU Institute for Security Studies (2016 – 2019)
- Intern UN Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (2015)
- Intern UN Office on Drugs and Crime (2014)
- Intern EU Parliament (2011)

Degrees

- Higher Studies in Security and Defence – Royal Higher Institute for Defence (2023)
- Master of Laws in International criminal law – University of Turin (2014)
- Master in Intercultural mediation – University of Milan (2011)
- Bachelor in Intercultural studies – University of Florence and University of Granada (2008)

Publications

Prevention of violence and crime

- Pauwels, A. (2023). Cumulative extremism: Behind the scenes of toxic us-versus-them dynamics. Analysis, Flemish Peace Institute.

- De Waele, M. & Pauwels, A. (2022). De lokale aanpak van radicalisering: hoe toekomstbestendig is de LIVC R?, Analysis, Flemish Peace Institute.
- Maussen, M., Pauwels, A. & Vermeulen, F. (2022). De moslimgemeenschap als bondgenoot? Antiradicaliseringsbeleid in Nederland en Vlaanderen. Article in Tijdschrift voor Religie, Recht en Beleid, (13)2.
- Pauwels, A. (2022). Managing a whole-of-society approach to Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism. Insights from the Flemish Case. Policy brief, Flemish Peace Institute.
- Lloyd, M. & Pauwels, A. (2021). Lone actors as a challenge for P/CVE. RAN paper, European Commission.
- Cops, D., Pauwels, A. & Van Alstein, M. (Eds.) (2020). Gewelddadige radicalisering & polarisering. Beleid & preventie in Vlaanderen: Evaluatie en uitdagingen. Brussel: Vlaams Vredesinstituut.
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- Pauwels, A. (2020). Gun-, knife-, and bomb-based killings by lone actor terrorists. In A. Schmid (Ed.), Handbook of Terrorism Prevention and Preparedness. The Hague: ICCT.
- Pauwels, A. (2019). The rise of right-wing terrorism and challenges for counter-terrorism. Global Terrorism Index 2019, 80-82.
- Pauwels, A. (2019, Jun. 26). Book review: Everything You Love Will Burn: Inside the Rebirth of White Nationalism in America. European Eye on Radicalization.
- Pauwels, A. (2019, May 6). Terrorism and Masculinities. European Eye on Radicalization.
- Pauwels, A. (2019). What if...jihadis merge with criminals? In F. Gaub (Ed.), What if...Scanning the horizon: 12 scenarios for 2021. EUISS Chaillot Paper, 150, Jan. 2019.
- Pauwels, A. (2017). What if...Europe is struck by right-wing terrorism? In F. Gaub (Ed.), What if...Conceivable crises: unpredictable in 2017, unmanageable in 2020. EUISS Report, 34, Jun. 2017.
- Pauwels, A. (2015). ISIS and illicit trafficking in cultural property: Funding terrorism through art. UN Freedom From Fear Magazine, 11, Jul. 2015.
- Luda di Cortemiglia, V. & Pauwels (2015). Green corruption. More than "victimless" crimes. UN Freedom From Fear Magazine, 11, Jul. 2015.
- Contributed to: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. (2015). Good Practices in Supporting Victims of Terrorism within the Criminal Justice Framework. UNODC.

EU Foreign and Security Policies (Terrorism & Migration)

- Pauwels, A. (2021). Afghan withdrawal may spark ex-forces terrorism in Europe. Opinion EUobserver, 28 Sep. 2021.
- Pauwels, A. (2020). How Europe's terrorists take advantage of the pandemic. Opinion EUobserver, 29 April, 2020.
- Pauwels, A. (2020). EU counter-terrorism cooperation with the MENA: Optimal or suboptimal? In R. Mason (Ed.), *Euro-Med Security Cooperation*. Palgrave.
- Pauwels, A. (2017). Preventing terrorism in the south. *EUISS Policy Brief*, 6, March 2017.
- Gaub, F. & Pauwels, A. (2017). In-depth analysis: EU counter terrorism cooperation with the Southern Neighbourhood. European Parliament Directorate-General for External Policies, Feb. 2017.
- Parkes, R. & Pauwels, A. (2017). The EU migration crisis. Getting the numbers right. *EUISS Policy Brief*, 9, Apr. 2017.
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- Parkes, R. & Pauwels, A. (2017). The refugee–development nexus. *EUISS Policy Brief*, 2, Feb. 2017.
- Parkes, R. & Pauwels, A. (2016). World Wide Webs: who governs the diasporas?. *EUISS Alert*, 36, Oct. 2016.
- Pauwels, A. (2016). Competing for ransom: AQIM vs. Daesh, *EUISS Policy Alert*, 23, Jun. 2016.
- Luengo–Cabrera, J. & Pauwels, A. (2016). Countering violent extremism: The Horn of Africa. *EUISS Policy Brief*, 14, Apr. 2016.

Selection of presentation & media appearances

- ‘Group-based violence in Belgium’, at Stockholm Criminology Symposium, 13 June 2023.
- ‘The local approach to radicalisation in Belgium’, at CEPOL training Brussels, 15 December 2022.
- ‘De arrestatie van Yannick V. in Merksem’, interview on foiled attack for Belgian national television programme on current affairs De Afspraak, 28 September 2022.
- ‘De radicalisering van Tsjetsjenen’, interview on a foiled attack by a Chechen group for Belgian national television programme on current affairs Terzake, 5 May 2022.
- L’intérêt croissant de l’extrême droite pour les armes à feu est inquiétant, interview on right-wing extremism among armed forces for Belgian newspaper L’Echo on 20 Nov. 2021.
- Intersection between disinformation, polarization & extremism, presented at the workshop ‘Violent Extremism & polarization’ by the Strong Cities Network, University of Ghent & US Embassy to Belgium on 28 Oct. 2021.
- The withdrawal from Afghanistan and its impact on right-wing extremism among European armed forces at the webinar ‘Afghanistan: 20 years after 9/11’, hosted by EUCTER on 15 Oct. 2021.
- Recent developments and emerging challenges from right-wing extremism, key remarks at an expert meeting of the European Commission’s RAN on 15 Oct. 2021.
- Is een militaire achtergrond bij rechts-extremisten uitzonderlijk?, interview on interview on right-wing extremism among armed forces for Belgian national television programme on current affairs De Afspraak, 19 May 2021.
- The use of weapons by lone actor terrorists in Western Europe, at webinar ‘Prevention of, and preparedness for, terrorist attacks’, hosted by the ICCT on 11 May 2021.
- Wat Van Tamsche deed, kan nu zomaar niet meer, interview on lone actor terrorism for Belgian newspaper De Morgen on 10 May 2021.
- Lessons learned from the Flemish action plan for the prevention of violent radicalisation & polarisation, at a webinar hosted by the Flemish Peace Institute on ‘Evaluating preventive policies & the new EU Counter-Terrorism Agenda’ on 22 Mar. 2021.
- The development of political Islam in Western Europe, key remarks at the webinar ‘How to map the Ikhwan’s presence in an uncharted region?’, hosted by Counter Extremism Project and GLOBSEC on 25 May 2020.
- The rise of right-wing terrorism and challenges for counter-terrorism, presented at the European Commission’s DG DEVCO and at Belgium’s Threat Coordination Unit for Threat Analysis (CUTA), Brussels, 18 -19 Dec. 2019.

- Racially- and Ethnically-Motivated Terrorism, presented at the Addressing Homegrown Terrorism Initiative, organised by the International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law (IIJ), Malta, 5-7 Nov. 2019.
- The emergence of right-wing terrorism, interview on Belgian national television programme on current affairs Terzake, 4 Aug. 2019.
- The new politics of global CT cooperation, opening remarks at EUISS expert meeting, Paris, 11-12 Apr. 2019.
- A cross-ideological approach to prison radicalisation, presented at EuroPris workshop 'Radicalization in prisons', Brussels, 14-15 Mar. 2019.
- La dimension extérieure de la lutte contre le terrorisme de l'UE, lecture at École Nationale de l'Administration (ENA), Paris, 22 Feb. 2019.
- Terrorist rehabilitation: the unintended side effects, presented at EUISS conference '2019 - What's to come?', Brussels, 25 Jan. 2019.
- EU counter-terrorism cooperation with the MENA, presented at the workshop 'Enhancing Euro-Med security cooperation' organised by the American University Cairo, 13 May 2018.
- Revisiting the EU migration crisis: need for statistics, presented at the conference 'Managing migration in the Western Mediterranean' organised by ISPI, Milan, 26 Oct. 2017.
- EU counter terrorism cooperation with the Southern Neighbourhood, presented at the European Parliament Subcommittee Security and Defence, Brussels, 21 Jun. 2017.
- The EU migration policy framework, presented at EuroMeSCo annual conference, Barcelona, 1-2 Jun. 2017.
- Countering violent extremism in the Southern Neighbourhood, presented at the conference 'Security Sector Reform in the Southern Neighbourhood', organised by EUISS, IEMed and EuroMeSCo, Brussels, 19 May 2017.
- EU counter terrorism cooperation with the Southern Neighbourhood, presented at the Council of the EU Working Party on Terrorism – International Aspects (COTER), Brussels, 4 Apr. 2017.
- The impact of migration challenges on the EU policy framework, presented at 'Mapping the Migration Challenges in EU Transit and Destination Countries, organised by IFAT, Budapest, 23 Mar. 2017.