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Citizenship: Belgian

Education:

2009 - 2013 DPhil (PhD) in Economics, University of Oxford, UK
Supervisor: Prof. Stefan Dercon
Thesis title: ‘Social networks, community-based-development and empirical methodologies’

2006 – 2007 MSc in Economics for Development (*Distinction, ranking 2nd out of 30 students*)
University of Oxford, UK

2001 – 2005 BA & MA in Applied Economics (*Greatest Distinction, ranking: 1st out of 125 students*)
University of Antwerp, Belgium

2004 – 2005 Erasmus Programme, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

2000 – 2001 *Diplôme Spécial d’Etudes Françaises (3^{ième} degré)*, University Paul Valéry,
Montpellier, France

Employment:

2016 – Present Senior Research Economist
Institute for Fiscal Studies, London, UK

2014 – 2015 Research Economist
Institute for Fiscal Studies, London, UK

2013 – 2014 Global Impact Evaluation Advisor
OXFAM GB, Oxford, UK
Technical lead in OXFAM GB’s global impact evaluation framework; Design and implementation of impact evaluations; Building impact evaluation capacity within OXFAM GB’s headquarters and its worldwide country offices;

2011 Researcher, International Growth Centre (coordination data collection for the Windfall Survey), Kombolcha, Ethiopia

2008 – 2009 Project manager CWEST (*Capture With Enhanced Survey Technology*)
Economic Development Initiatives Ltd., Bukoba, Tanzania
Developing electronic questionnaires, providing technical support and training to worldwide organisations using CWEST technology

2007 – 2008 Economic research consultant, Economic Development Initiatives Ltd., Bukoba, Tanzania
Responsible for the design and implementation of the first two CWEST data capturing projects (SHWALITA and TASAF II Impact Evaluation Study), conducted in Tanzania on behalf of the World Bank.

2005 – 2006 Research assistant, Department of Economics, University of Antwerp, Belgium (project on corporatism in macroeconomic policy - funded by the National Bank of Belgium)

Teaching experience:

2010 - 2013 Department Teaching Associate, University College, University of Oxford
Undergraduate courses taught: Mathematical Methods (1st year Politics-Philosophy-Economics); Development Economics (3rd year PPE); Quantitative Economics (2nd year PPE)

Research Fields:

Development economics, applied microeconomics, programme evaluation, survey methodology, social networks/interactions, targeting effectiveness, community based development, sanitation, early childhood development

Awards, Scholarships and Fellowships:

2016	Visiting Scholar, Stanford University (1 month)
2009-2012	Senior Scholarship, University College, Oxford
2010-2013	Doctoral Studentship Scheme (DSS)
2007	Luca d'Agliano award for best thesis, MSc in Economics for Development

Professional Service:

Referee for *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of African Economies*, *CSAE Working Paper Series*, *Journal of Development Studies*, and *Field Methods*

Selected academic publications:

Caeyers, B., Chalmers, N. and De Weerd J., 2012, "Improving Consumption Measurement and other survey data through CAPI: Evidence from a randomized experiment", *Journal of Development Economics* 98, p. 19-33.

Caeyers, B. and Dercon, S., 2012, "Political Connections and Social Networks in Targeted Transfer Programmes: Evidence from Rural Ethiopia", *Economic Development and Cultural Change* 60(4), p. 639-675.

Selected Working Papers:

Caeyers, B. and Pauwels, W., 2006, "Corporatism and Macroeconomic Stabilisation Policies", Working Paper 2006-35, Department of Economics, University of Antwerp.

Caeyers, B., 2014, "Exclusion bias in empirical social interaction models: Causes, consequences and solutions", Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE) Working Paper WPS/2014-05, CSAE, Department of Economics, University of Oxford.

Caeyers, B., 2014, "Peer effects in development programme awareness of vulnerable groups in rural Tanzania", CSAE Working Paper WPS/2014-11, CSAE, Department of Economics, University of Oxford.

Newspaper articles/policy briefs/policy reports:

Augsburg, B., Caeyers, B. and Oteiza, F., 2015, 'The costs and benefits of investing in a toilet: views from Indian and Nigerian households and their policy implications', IFS Briefing note June 2015.

Caeyers, B., 2015, 'Social networks and development programme awareness of vulnerable groups in Tanzania', EDePo Digest: Issue 3, London: IFS.

Caeyers, B. and Quinn, Natalie N., March 2015, "Livelihoods in Armenia: Evaluation of new economic opportunities for small-scale farmers in Tavush and Vayots Dzor regions", Project Effectiveness Review, Policy and Practice, OXFAM. Available online on <http://policy-practice.oxfam.org.uk/publications>.

Caeyers, B. and Fuller, R., March 2015, "Women Empowerment in Rwanda: Evaluation of women's economic leadership through horticulture planting material business", Project Effectiveness Review, Policy and Practice, OXFAM. Available online on <http://policy-practice.oxfam.org.uk/publications>.

Caeyers, B. and Lombardini, S., March 2015, "Women's Empowerment in Indonesia: Evaluation of Papua women's empowerment", Project Effectiveness Review, Policy and Practice, OXFAM. Available online on <http://policy-practice.oxfam.org.uk/publications>.

Languages:

Dutch (native); French (Fluent); English (Fluent); German (Basic).