

PETER VAN AELST – CV MARCH 2011

1. Identification

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Diploma: Doctor in Political and Social Sciences – Department
Communication Sciences - Antwerpen 2006 – Supervisor
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Current function: Associate Professor in Political Science at University of
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2. Education

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| 1993 1994 | University | Antwerp | <i>Kandidatuur</i> Political and Social Sciences (=BA) | Distinction |
| 1995 1996 | University | Antwerp | <i>Licenciaat</i> Political and Social Sciences (option Sociology) (=Master) | Distinction (75%) |
| 1996 | University | Antwerp | Practical pedagogical education | Great Distinction |
| 2006 | University | Antwerp | Doctor in Political and Social sciences | |

3. Professional career

- From March 2011 Associate Research Professor of Political Science (ZAPBOF) at the University of Antwerp (80%)
- From March 2011 Associate Professor of Political Science funded by NWO VIDI project (20%) at Department of Political Science, Leiden University
- From February 2009 until February 2011 Assistant Professor at the Department of Political Science, Leiden University
- From August 2008 until January 2009 visiting Fulbright fellow at the University of Washington, Seattle.
- From October 2007 until January 2009 Postdoctoral Fellow of the Fund for Scientific Research Flanders (FWO)
- From October 2007 until September 2008 Lecturer in Journalism Studies at the Erasmushogeschool in Brussels (25%)
- From October 2006 until October 2007 postdoctoral Assistant Political Sciences at the University of Antwerp
- From January 2001 until September 2006 teaching assistant in Communication Sciences at the University of Antwerp
- From January 1997 until December 2000 research assistant on social movements and protest behaviour at the University of Antwerp

4. Teaching :

At Leiden University (2009-2011)

- BA course in Political Marketing
- BA course in Political Psychology
- BA-project on 'Political knowledge, media and democracy
- MA course on Politicians and Public Opinion

At Erasmushogeschool Brussels (2007-2008)

- MA course in Media Studies (2007-2008: 80 students)
- Promoter of more than 20 master thesis's

At the University of Antwerp (2000-2008)

- Followed a one year course on teaching skills for starting professors at the University of Antwerp (2007-2008)
- Teacher of MA course in Political Marketing (2007-2008) ; MA course Media & Politics (2003-2004: 120 students)
- Independent tutor Student research on different topics and Independent teacher seminar Media & Politics (2000-2006)

5. Research projects

Personal research grants and scholarships:

- VIDI-grant by the Dutch Research Council (NWO) (2011-2016; 800.000€) *Beyond Agenda-setting: Towards a better understanding of the power relationship between politicians and journalists*
- Visiting postdoc fellow at the University of Washington, Seattle; August 2008-January 2009; Fulbright grant 6000 € + Grant for Stay Abroad from Fund for Scientific Research Flanders (FWO) 9000 €. *The media and the US 2008 election campaign*
- BOF-project UA (2008-2011; 150.000€) - *Social Movements and celebrity activism* – (Promotor: Hilde Van den Bulck; Co-promotor: Peter Van Aelst)
- Explaining election coverage in comparative perspective – Personal postdoc grant Fund for Scientific Research Flanders (FWO) (2007-2010) (125.000 €)
- Small project UA research council (2007-2008; 7000 €) *Media coverage of the Belgian 2007 general elections*

I was (partly) involved in the following research projects:

- Media systems, news content and public perception of political reality. - Research council of Norway (2007 - 2011)
(Coordination Toril Aalberg (University of Trondheim) in collaboration with, Shanto Iyengar (Stanford University), James Curran (Goldsmiths University of London), Jesper Strömbäck (Mid-Sweden University), Kees Aarts (University of Twente), Holli A. Semetko (Emory University), Peter Van Aelst (University of Antwerp).
- Social Movements and celebrity activism – BOF-project (2008-2011)
(Promotor: Hilde Van den Bulck; Co-promotor: Peter Van Aelst)
- Medpol: International survey of journalists and MP's in four countries – FWO-project (2005-2007)
(Coordination Peter Van Aelst (UA) in collaboration with Kees Brants, Philip Van Praag, Claes De Vreese (University of Amsterdam), Jesper Strömbäck (Mid-Sweden University) en Toril Aalberg (University of Trondheim))
- ICT and political Mobilization – DWTC-project (2006-2008)

(Supervisors Stefaan Walgrave (UA) and Marc Hooghe (KULeuven), in collaboration with Lance Bennett (University of Washington), Dietlind Stolle (McGill University))

- ICT and Social movements – European Union Cost Action (2001-2003) (International network of scholars from EU and US)
- The Flemish media and the 2003 general elections – UA-research council (2002-2004).
- The legitimacy of international organizations – DWTC-project (2002-2003).
- Street demonstrations in the 90s - FWO-project (2000-2001).
- Civil society and politics – BOF-project UA (1997-2000).

6. Other academic activities

- Co-supervisor of PhD-student Jonas Lefevere: Voting motives and campaign effects in the 2009 Belgian Election
- Member of PhD jury of: Soetkin Kesteloot (University of Ghent, 2009); Joost Berckhout (Leiden University, 2010); Nael Jebril (University of Southern Denmark, 2011),

- Organiser of :
 - ✓ ECPR section on Political Communication, Reykjavik 2011 (With Darren Lilleker)
 - ✓ Session on Political Communication, Politicologenetmaal, Amsterdam 2011 (With Rens Vliegenthart)
 - ✓ Session on Political Communication, Politicologenetmaal, Berg en Dal 2009 (With Maud Adriaansen en Joost van Spanje)
 - ✓ ECPR panel: Studying the tango: mutual perceptions and interactions between politicians and journalists. Potsdam, 2009) (chair and discussant)
 - ✓ Etmaal van de Communicatiewetenschap, Antwerpen 2007 (with Hilde Van den Bulck)
 - ✓ Marktdag Sociologie, Antwerpen 2001 (with Vlaamse Vereniging voor Sociologie)

- Founding member of research group 'Media, Movements and Politics' (M²P)
www.M2P.be
- Member of The Network of European Political Communication Scholars (NEPOCS) www.nepocs.eu

- Chair of Public Relations and Enrollment Committee (Werving & Voorlichting), Department Political Science, Leiden (2009-2011)

- Reviewer for several national and international journals (eg. International journal of Press/politics; Acta Politica; Mobilization, Public Opinion Quarterly, Scandinavian Political Studies, Political Communication ...)

7. Other non-academic activities

- Former member of the Expert Commission on Public Communication of the Flemish Parliament (2005 - 2008).

- Regular contributor to the public debate on media & politics in Belgium and occasionally also in the Netherlands (Especially via the opinion pages of national newspapers De Standaard & De Morgen and via many lectures at other universities & schools, and for political parties, unions,...).

8. Publications

I. Articles in international scientific journals

- Jones, T., **Van Aelst, P.** Vliegenthart, R., (2011) "Foreign Nation Visibility in U.S. News Coverage: A Longitudinal Analysis (1950-2006)," in *Communication Research*
Forthcoming: accepted.
- Van Aelst, P.**, Walgrave, S., (2011) "Minimal or massive? The political agenda setting power of the mass media according to different methods" In *International Journal of Press Politics*, Forthcoming: accepted.
- Vliegenthart, R., Boomgaarden, H.G., **Van Aelst, P.** and De Vreese, C.H. (2010). 'Covering the US Presidential Election in Western Europe: A Cross-national Comparison'. In *Acta Politica* 45, 444–467. (impact factor: 0.63)
- Van Aelst, P.**, A. Shehata, and A. Van Dalen. (2010). "Members of Parliament, equal competitors for media attention? An analysis of personal contacts between MPs and political journalists in five European countries." In *Political Communication*, 27 (3): 310-325. (impact factor: 1.02)
- Van Laer, J., **Van Aelst, P.** (2010), 'Internet and Social Movement Action Repertoires: Opportunities and limitations' in *Information Communication and Society* 13 (8): 1146 — 1171
- Aalberg, T., **Van Aelst, P.**, Curran, J., (2010) "Media systems and the political information environment: A cross-national comparison" In *International Journal of Press Politics*, 15: 15(3) 255–271. (impact factor: 1.04)
- Strömbäck, J., **Van Aelst, P.**, (2010) "Exploring Some Antecedents of the Media's Framing of Election News: A Comparison of Swedish and Belgian Election News", In *International Journal of Press Politics*, 15(1): 41-59
(impact factor: 1.04)
- Van Aelst P.**, De Swert, K. (2009) Politics in the news: Do campaigns matter? A comparison of political news during election periods and routine periods in Flanders (Belgium) in *Communications* (34): 149-168.
- Van Aelst P.**, Brants K., Van Praag, P., De Vreese C., Nuytemans, M., Van Dalen, A. (2008) The Fourth Estate as Superpower? An empirical study on perceptions of media power in Belgium and the Netherlands in *Journalism Studies*, 9(4), 494-511.
- Van Aelst, P.**, Maddens, B., Noppe, J., Fiers, S., (2008) "Politicians in the news: media or party logic? Media attention and electoral success in the Belgian election campaign of 2003" in *European Journal of Communication*, 23(2): 193-210.
(impact factor: 0.63)
- Walgrave, S. & **Van Aelst, P.**, Nuytemans, M. (2008) "Do the Vote Test: The electoral effects of a popular Vote Advice Application at the 2004 Belgian Elections" in *Acta Politica*, 43: 50-70.
(impact factor: 0.63)
- Walgrave, S. & **Van Aelst, P.** (2006) "The Contingency of the Mass Media's Political Agenda Setting Power. Towards A Preliminary Theory." *Journal of Communication*, 56, 88-109. (impact factor: 2.26)
- Norris, P., Walgrave, S. & **Van Aelst, P.** (2005) "Who demonstrates? Anti-state rebels or conventional participants? Or everyone?" *Comparative Politics*, 2, 251-275.
(impact factor: 0.65)

- Bédoyan, I., **Van Aelst, P.** & Walgrave, S. (2004) "Limitations and Possibilities of Transnational Mobilization: The Case of EU Summit Protesters in Brussels 2001." *Mobilization*, 9, 39-54. (impact factor: 0.78)
- Van Aelst P.** & Walgrave, S (2003), New media, new movements? *Information Communication and Society*, 5(4): 465-493
- Van Aelst, P.** & Walgrave, S. (2001) "Who is that (wo)man in the street? From the normalisation of protest to the normalisation of the protester." *European Journal of Political Research*, 39, 461-486. (impact factor: 1,91)

II. Chapters in edited books (English)

- Van Dalen, A. and P. Van Aelst (2011) 'Political Journalists: Covering Politics in the Democratic Corporatist Media System.' in D. Weaver and L. Willnat (eds.). *The global journalist in the 21 century*. New York: Routledge.
- Van Aelst, P., Thorbjørnsrud, K. and Aalberg, T. (2011) 'The Political Information Environment during Election Campaigns' in T Aalberg and J. Curran, *How Media Inform Democracy: A Comparative Approach*. New York: Routledge.
- Aalberg, T., Van Aelst, P., and Curran J., (2011) '*Media Systems and the Political Information Environment. A Cross-National Comparisons*' in T Aalberg and J. Curran, *How Media Inform Democracy: A Comparative Approach*. New York: Routledge.
- Hahn, K.S., Iyengar, S., Van Aelst, P., and Curran J., (2011) 'Does Knowledge of Hard News go with Knowledge of Soft News? A Cross-National Analysis of the Structure of Public Affairs Knowledge' in T Aalberg and J. Curran, *How Media Inform Democracy: A Comparative Approach*. New York: Routledge.
- Walgrave, S., Rucht, D. and Van Aelst, P. (2010) "Socio-demographics: typical New Social Movement activists, Old Leftists or normalized protesters?" in Walgrave, S. and Rucht, D. (eds.), *Protest Politics. Antiwar mobilization in advanced industrial democracies*. Minnesota University Press
- Van Laer, J., Van Aelst, P. (2009) 'Cyber-Protest and Civil Society: the Internet and Action Repertoires of Social Movements' in Jewkes, Yvonne & Majid Yar (eds.) *Handbook on Internet Crime* (pp. 230- 254), Universia Press, Portland
- Van Aelst, P. (2009) Flemish parties in a changing media and communication environment, in Devos, C. & Hanley, D., (eds.) *Flemish parties between region, federation and Europe*, (pp. 59-72) Universia Press, Wetteren.
- Walgrave S., Van Aelst P., Nuytemans M., (2008) 'Vote Advice Applications as new campaign players? Electoral effects of Do the vote test at the 2004 regional elections in Belgium' in D. Farrell & R. Schmitt-Beck (eds.) *The Role on Non-Party Actors in Elections*. (pp. 237- 258) Baden-Baden: Nomos-Verlag publishing house.
- Norris, P., Walgrave, S. & Van Aelst, P. (2006) "Does protest signify dissatisfaction? Demonstrators in a postindustrial democracy." In *Political Dissatisfaction in Contemporary Democracies. Social capital, Institutions and Politics*, Torcal, M. and Montero, J. R. (eds.) Routledge, London and New York, pp. 279-309.
- Van Aelst, P. & Walgrave, S. (2004) "New Media, new movements? The role of the internet in shaping the 'antiglobalization' movement." In van de Donk, W., Loader, B. D., Nixon, P. G. & Rucht, D.(eds) *Cyberprotest* (pp. 97-122) Routledge, London.

III. Articles in Dutch-language scientific journals (with peer review)

- Vliegthart, R., Van Aelst, P. (2010) Nederlandse en Vlaamse politieke partijen in de krant en in de peilingen: een wederkerige relatie. *Tijdschrift voor communicatiewetenschap*, 38(4): 339-356.
- Van Aelst, P. (2010), Campagneonderzoek in België en Nederland: een beknopt overzicht. *Res Publica*, 52(3): 285-292.
- Van Praag, P., Van Aelst, P. (2010), Essay: Verkiezingscampagnes in België en Nederland. Vergelijkbare landen, verschillende campagnes? *Res Publica*, 52(3): 375-390-292.
- Van Aelst, P. (2008), 'De verkiezingscampagne van 2007: communautair en presidentieel?' Jaarboek *Res Publica* 2007: 19-36.
- Van Aelst, P. & Nuytemans, M. (2007) "Het succes van Patrick. Op zoek naar bewijzen en verklaringen van het Janssens-effect in Antwerpen" in *Res Publica* (Themanummer Gemeenteraadsverkiezingen 2006), 1: 150-172.
- Van Aelst, P., Reynaert, H., Ackaert, J., (2007) "De strijd om de (heraangelegde) dorpsstraat" in *Res Publica* (Themanummer Gemeenteraadsverkiezingen 2006), 1: 7-11.
- Van den Bulck, H. & Van Aelst, P. (2007) "Het Etmaal van de Communicatiewetenschap: Een lokale anomalie in een globaliserend academisch veld?" in *Tijdschrift voor Communicatiewetenschap* (editors van themanummer), 35(4): 269-274.
- Van Aelst, P. & K. Van Mierlo, (2003), Politiek als een one-man-show? Over de rol van kranten in de personalisering van de politiek, in *Res Publica*, 4: 579-602.
- Van Aelst, P., (2002) 'De virtuele strijd tegen de globalisering. De rol van het internet in het ontstaan van de 'anti-globaliserings' beweging' in *Tijdschrift voor Sociologie*, themanummer Media en Samenleving: 571-598.
- Van Aelst, P. & Walgrave, S. (2001) "Nieuwe spelers op het middenveld. Over sociale bewegingen in de 21e eeuw." *Bestuurskunde*, 10, 28-37.
- Van Aelst, P. & Walgrave, S. (1999) "De stille revolutie op straat, Betogen in België in de jaren '90." *Res Publica*, 41, 41-64.
- Van Aelst, P., Walgrave, S. & Decoster, K. (1999) "Politiek wantrouwen en protest." *Tijdschrift voor Sociologie*, 20, 441-470.
- Van Aelst, P. & Walgrave, S. (1998) "Voorbij de verzuiling? Kontich twaalf jaar later: een replicatie-onderzoek naar organisatienetwerken en politieke partijen." *Tijdschrift voor Sociologie*, 19, 55-88.

IV. Articles in (scientific) journals without referee-system (a selection)

- Van Aelst (2010) "Campaigning without candidates" in *Communication Director*, 01/2010: 28-31.
- Van Aelst, P., Nuytemans, M., Lefevere, J., Walgrave, S. (2007) Lijst Dedecker: een gat in de politieke markt?, in *Samenleving en Politiek*, 14 (6), 12-16.
- Van Aelst, P. & Nuytemans, M. (2006) 8 oktober gepeild, in *Samenleving en Politiek*, 13 (9), 24-31.
- Walgrave, S. & Van Aelst, P. (2005) "Much ado about almost nothing. Over de electorale effecten van Doe de Stemtest 2004." *Samenleving en Politiek*, 12, 61-72.
- Thijssen, P., Van Aelst, P., (2004) 'Gezocht: politieke architecten' in *Samenleving en Politiek*, 11(5): 19-27.

- Votquene, D., Van Aelst, P. (2003), Het buitenlands nieuws: een steeds kleiner venster op de wereld, in *Internationale Spectator*, 57(1), 31-34
- Van Aelst, P., (2002) 'Over media, politiek en de almachtige burger' in *De Gids op Maatschappelijk gebied*, 93 (6), 12-16.
- Van Aelst, P., (2002) 'De politicus online: naar een verdere personalisering van de politiek?' in *PSW-Papers*, Universiteit Antwerpen: 4(3).
- Van Aelst P. (2000) The battle of Seattle: over internationale democratie op straat.- In: *Internationale spectator*, 54 (2): 76-79
- Van Aelst P. (2000) Over globalisering, protest en democratie.- In: *Streven*, 67(6): 551-553

V. Chapters in edited books (Dutch)

- Van Aelst, P., Vanbeveren, H. (2009) 'Getackeld door de media. Een studie naar de media als agenda-setter in de zaak Ye' in Scheerder, J., Meulders, B. (eds.) *Wedijver in een internationale arena. Sport, bestuur & macht.* (pp. 21-50), Academia Press, Gent
- Van Aelst, P. (2008) 'De lokale verkiezingscampagne: tussen huisbezoek en televisiestudio' in J. Buelens, B. Rihoux, K. Deschouwer (eds.) *Tussen kiezer en hoofdkwartier. De lokale partijafdelingen en de gemeenteraadsverkiezingen van 2006* (95-112), VUBpress, Brussel.
- Van Aelst, P. (2007) 'Verkiezingsberichtgeving doorheen de tijd' in Dhoest, A., Van den Bulck, H. (eds). *Publieke televisie in Vlaanderen. Een geschiedenis.* (240-245) Academia Press, Gent.
- Van Aelst, P., Maddens, B., & Noppe, J. (2006). Van de studio naar de Kamer? Over de relatie tussen media en voorkeurstemmen tijdens de verkiezingen van 2003. In S. Fiers & H. Reynaert (eds.), *Wie zetelt? De gekozen politieke elite in Vlaanderen doorgelicht* (pp. 163-176) Heverlee: Lannoo.
- Van Aelst, P., & Deswert, K. (2005). Spreken over politiek in een soundbite-cultuur. In M. Hooghe, K. Deswert & S. Walgrave (ed.), *Nieuws op televisie. Televisiejournals als venster op de wereld.* (pp. 25-38). Leuven: Acco.
- Van Aelst, P., (2004) *Wie leidt de dans. Over de verschillende visies van politici en politicologen op de media*, in C. Devos (ed.), *Ménage a trois, De driehoeksverhouding tussen pers, politiek en politicologie.* Gent: Academia Press, pp. 71-78.
- Decoster, K., Van Aelst, P. & Walgrave, S. (2002) "De betogende Belg, Het profiel van de Belgische betogers en de normalisering van protest." In *De kiezer heeft zijn redenen. 13 juni 1999 en de politieke opvattingen van de Vlamingen* in Swyngedouw, M. & Billiet, J. (eds.) Acco, Leuven, pp. 193-214.
- Walgrave, S. & Van Aelst, P. (2002) "Wij zeggen wat u denkt. Over de politieke communicatie van het Vlaams Blok." In *Het failliet van de integratie? Van den Broeck, B. & Foblets, M.-C. (eds.) Het multiculturalismedebat in Vlaanderen.* Acco, Leuven, pp. 221-227.
(also in French version : *La faillite de l'intégration. Le débat multiculturel en Flandre*, Academia-Bruylant, Louvain-la-Neuve.)
- Van Aelst, P., (2000) De anti-racistische protestgolf in België.- In: *Emancipatie en subcultuur: sociale bewegingen in België en Nederland / Sunier T. et al. [eds.]*, Amsterdam, Instituut voor Publiek en Politiek, 2000, p. 98-119.

VI. (Edited) Books + special issues

- Van Aelst, P. (2010), Verkiezingscampagnes in België en Nederland. 52 (3) Special issue Res Publica (Guest editor)
- Van Aelst, P. (2007) *Toeschouwer, speler of scheidsrechter. Een empirische studie over de rol van de media in de verkiezingscampagne van 2003*. Vandenbroele, Brugge. (=Phd)
- Ackaert, J., Reynaert, H., Van Aelst, P., (2007) Gemeenteraadsverkiezingen 2006: De Dorpstraat heraangelegd. Themanummer Res Publica. Acco, Leuven.
- Verhulst Joris, van Laer Jeroen, van Aelst Peter, Walgrave Stefaan (2007).- *Vrede in Vlaanderen: opinies en engagement van Vlamingen inzake vrede en geweld*.- Brussel: Vlaams Vredesinstituut,.- 138 p.
- Baetens, M., Bedoyan, I., Bursens, P., van den Bulck, H., Walgrave, S. & Van Aelst, P. (2004) *'Who elected WTO' De politieke legitimiteit van internationale organisaties (EU en WHO)*, Academia Press, Gent.

VII. Book reviews (in peer reviewed journals)

- Van Aelst P. (2008) Charming politics? An investigation into young people and the popularization of politics.- In: Tijdschrift voor communicatiewetenschap, 36:2: 139-140
- Van Aelst, P. (2007) "Book review: Key Concepts in Political Communication by Darren G. Lilleker (2006) London: Sage in *Communications*, 32, 379-380.
- Van Aelst, P (2004) "Boekbespreking: De puinhopen in het nieuws: De rol van de media bij de Tweede Kamerverkiezingen van 2002 by Kleinneijenhuis e.a. (2003) in *Tijdschrift voor Communicatiewetenschap*, 32(1): 101-102.

VIII. Papers on international congresses

- Since 2000 presented more than 20 papers at international conferences (among others):
- ECPR general conference (2005, Budapest; 2009, Potsdam)
- ECPR Joint Sessions (2004, Uppsala; 2011 Saint Gallen)
- Annual meeting APSA (2003, Boston; 2006, Philadelphia; 2010, Washington)
- Annual meeting ICA (2008, Montreal; 2009, Chicago)