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Short description of his career and the interest in police work:

Prof. De Ruyver is master of law (1978), master of criminology (1978) and doctor in criminology (1986).

He is full professor at the University of Ghent attached to the department of penal law and criminology (field of criminal law) and director of the research group ‘Institute for International Research on Criminal Policy’ (IRCP). He teaches a.o. Criminal Law, Criminal Policy, Drug Policy, The Belgian Policy and the Drug Law, Organised Crime in Europe and Drug Policy in Europe.

Prof. De Ruyver has been an expert in several Belgian Parliamentary inquiry commissions, namely on human trafficking (1992-1994), on drug policy (1996-1997) and the ‘Dutroux-case’ (1996-1997). In 1995 and 1996 he was an expert and chairman of the commission responsible for the reorganisation of the Gent police.

He was and is promoter of several research projects (circa 50), a.o. for the European Commission and several Belgian federal government departments (Science policy, Justice, Interior, Foreign Affairs, Development Cooperation,...).

Prof. De Ruyver participates in different international networks and has published on drug policy, organised crime, human trafficking, International, European and Belgian Criminal policy.

Since 2002 he is member of the scientific committee of the EMCDDA (Lisbon).

Since 2003 he is a member of the European expert group on Trafficking in Human Beings.

Since April 2000 he is expert adviser to the Prime Minister in relation to security and the police reforms. Between 2002 and 2007 he was Chairman of the attending commission for the reforms of the local police.

Short description of his activities and/or publications:

Some recent activities

International expertise

Expert European Conference on Tactical and Strategic Intelligence Exchange on Organized Crime in the European Union, March 1996

Expert European Conference on Tactical and Strategic Intelligence Exchange on Organized Crime, Intellex 97, Noordwijk, The Netherlands, 20- 22 May 1997

Expert Institute for Psycho-Social and Socio-Ecological Research (IPSER) in the framework of Sexual Abuse of Children: Advocacy Program through Asian Broadcasting Networks and NGO Networks. Fact finding mission 19-26 February 1999

Expert at preparing Estonia for the integration in Schengen and the European Union, as to the acquis on justice and home affairs, in the framework of the project 'Support to the EU process in Estonia', Financed by the European Commission- Phare (1999-2000)

Expert at preparing Lithuania for the integration in the European Union, as to third pillar issues, in the framework of the project 'Support to European Integration to Lithuania (SEIL)', financed by the European Commission (2000-)

Expert "Action oriented research on infiltration by trafficking networks into organisations working to combat trafficking in human beings", International Organization for Migration (IOM) (2002-)

Member expert group on trafficking in human beings, European Commission (2003-)

Round table "Temporary Residence Permits: the experience of leading Member-States and the new developments at the European Union level", King Boudain foundation, Brussels, 17 February 2004

Expert in round table with Canadian delegation on "Policy priorities of the Belgian federal Government on justice, police reform and the drug policy", Embassy council on Culture and Communication, Canadian Embassy Brussels, Egmont Palace, Brussels, 21 April 2004

Expert in workshop 'Consultation of the draft report of the Experts Group on Trafficking in Human Beings', EU Forum for the Prevention of Organised Crime, European Commission, Brussels, 26 October 2004

Report 'International migration, traffic in women and the Belgian model', Lecture Cycle, Faculty of Social Science, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, 11 November 2004

Moderator Session I 'A comprehensive threat assessment: determining priorities for cooperation', OSCE Chiefs of Police Meeting, Egmont Palace, Brussels, 24 November 2006

Partner in Framework Service Contract for Evaluation and Evaluation Related Services for the Directorate General Justice, Freedom and Security of the European Commission (2006-2007)

International conferences

Organisation of national conference: 20 December 2000: Conference ' Het functioneren van de gerechtelijke pijler n.a.v. politie- en justitievormingen' (The functioning of the judicial pillar in connection with the reforms of police and justice), Aula, Universtiteit Gent

Guest lecture in the framework of the advanced training of the Dutch chiefs of police - "De Belgische politie- en justitiehervorming in het licht van Europa en de Internationale samenwerking" (The Belgian police and justice reform in the light of Europe and the international cooperation), Brussels, 22 May 2002

Chairman 'Nordrhein-Westfalen – Zeeland, 'Tien jaar internationale politiesamenwerking op maat' (Nordrhein-Westfalen – Zeeland, Ten years of international police cooperation to measure), Symposium, Conferentieruimte, Haamsteede-Middelburg, 12 October 2005

report 'De hervorming van het politielandschap' (The reform of the police landscape), residentieel seminarie van de gerechtelijke stagiairs, Louvain La Neuve, 23 November 1998

report 'Euro 2000, politiesamenwerking' (Euro 2000, police cooperation), Vergadering van het Nederlands en het Belgisch College van Procureurs-Generaal', Mons, 26 November 1998

report 'De hervormingen van de Belgische politie' (the reform of the Belgian police), wetenschappelijk nascholing Universiteit Gent, Internationaal Congrescentrum, Gent, 27 November 1998

report "De politiehervorming, een stand van zaken" (The police reform: the state of affairs), Studiedag, VVSG, Gent, 9 May 2001

report "Integrale aanpak van de prostitutie in Antwerp" (An integrated approach of prostitution in Antwerp), Rondetafelconferentie, Antwerp, 19 June 2001

report "De lokale politie: opsporing verzocht" (The local police: wanted by the police), studiedag over politiehervorming, Antwerp, 27 September 2001

report, 'Functioneel organisatorische afstemming van de gerechtelijke pijler: praktische scenario's' (Functional organisational tuning of the judicial pillar: practical scenarios), Gespecialiseerde opleiding magistraten over de verhouding tussen de politiediensten, het parket en de onderzoeksrechter, Brussels, 5 November 2002

report 'Drang is beter dan dwang' (Pressure is better than coercion), Symposium '...naar Canossa gaan', Brugge, 12 September 2003

report 'Politiehervorming' (Police reform), Trefdag VVSG, Internationaal Congrescentrum (ICC), Gent, 26 November 2003

Some recent publications

DE RUYVER, B., 'Internationale politiesamenwerking' (International police cooperation), in: *Wie is er bang van het strafrecht?*, TRAEST, P. en DE NAUW, A., Postuniversitaire cyclus Delva, Gent, Mys en Breesch, 1998, 63-89

DE RUYVER, B., 'Het voorstel van de parlementaire onderzoekscommissie 'Dutroux': Genese en krachtlijnen' (Propositions of the parliamentary research commission Dutroux), Themanummer: Politiehervorming, *Panopticon*, 1998, 223-230.

DE RUYVER, B., De reorganisatie van de reguliere politiediensten in het licht van de parlementaire onderzoekscommissies 'Dutroux' en 'Bende van Nijvel' (The reorganisation of the police services in the light of the parliamentary enquiry committee 'Dutroux' and the 'Gang of Nivelles), in *De reorganisatie van het politiewezen*, C. FIJNAUT, B. DE RUYVER, F. GOOSSENS (red.), Leuven, Universitaire Pers Leuven, 1999, 43-55.

DE RUYVER, B., De lakmoesproef. Verandering in continuïteit (The litmus test. Change in continuity), DAHAUT, G., PONSAERS, P., PYL, G. en VAN DE SOMPEL, R., *Voor verder onderzoek ... essays over de politie en haar rol in onze samenleving*, Brussels, Politeia, 2002, 257-270.

DE RUYVER, B. en KOEKELBERG, F., De politiehervorming, Een tussentijdse evaluatie en aanbevelingen tot bijsturing waar nodig (The police reform, interim evaluation and recommendations to correct where necessary), *Vigiles, tijdschrift voor politierecht*, 2003, 5, p. 153-159.

B. FINCOEUR, W. VAEREWYCK, M. BORN, B. DE RUYVER, B. HOOGENBOOM, A. LEMAITRE, C. MAQUET en P. PONSAERS, *Kennis en knowhow van politie en magistratuur over drugs (Knowledge and know how of police and magistrates concerning drugs)*, Gent, Academia Press, 2005, 328 p.

Educational background:

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Professor at the University of Ghent in the field of criminal law since May 15th 1992

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He teaches Criminal law, Drug policy, Criminal policy, Drug policy in Europe, Organised Crime in Europe, The Belgian drug policy and the drug law, Sports law. He guides students in internships and in writing bachelor theses, master theses, phd's and special papers.