Jean-François Maystadt

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Profile: Development economist working on conflict, climate and migration, with strong interests in political economy, environmental and health economics

Experience

Research Associate & Professor

Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique - FNRS & UCLouvain

October 2020 – Present Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium

Associate Professor 2014 – Present

- University of Lancaster, Economics Department, 2014 Present
- University of Antwerp, Institute of Development Policy, 2018 2020

Post-Doctoral Researcher

2010 - 2014

- KULeuven, Center for Institutions and Economic Performance, 2012 2014
- IFPRI, International Food Policy Research Institute, Washington DC, 2010 2014

Research Fellow 2005 - 2009

FNRS Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique & UCLouvain

Economic Adviser 2003 – 2005

Economic and Financial Affairs, UNICE

EDUCATION

UCLouvain Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium

PhD in Economics

October 2005 – August 2010

- Supervised by Jacques Thisse (UCLouvain, CORE)
- Thesis title: Conflict and Forced Migration

UCLouvain & Carlos III (Erasmus, Madrid)

London School of Economics

MSc Local Economic Development

 $2002-2003 \ Distinction$

B.A. Economics

1998 - 2002

"Grande Distinction"

Publications

Google scholar | 1615 citations, whose 1284 since 2016. H-Index: 17

- Stoop, Hirvonen, and Maystadt. 2021. Institutional mistrust and child vaccination coverage in Africa. BMJ Global Health. 6:e004595
- Beine, Bertinelli, Comertpay, Litina, and Maystadt. 2021. A gravity analysis of refuge mobility using mobile phone data. *Journal of Development Economics*. 150: 102618.
- Mach, Adger, Buhaug, Burke, Fearon, Field, Hendrix, Kraan, Maystadt, O'Loughlin. 2020. Directions for Research on Climate and Conflict. *Earth's Future* 8(7): 3-7.
- Maystadt, Mueller, Van Den Hoek and van Weezel. 2020. Vegetation changes attributable to refugees in Africa coincide with agricultural deforestation. Forthcoming in *Environmental Research Letters* 15(4): 044008.
- Beshir and Maystadt. 2020. In utero seasonal food insecurity and cognitive development: Evidence on gender imbalances from Ethiopia, *Journal of African Economies* 29(4):412-431.
- Mach, Kraan, Adger, Buhaug, Burke, Fearon, Field, Hendrix, Maystadt, OLoughin et al. 2019. Climate as a risk factor for armed conflict. *Nature* 571: 193-197.

- Dagnelie, Mayda and Maystadt. 2019. Labor market integration of refugees to the U.S.: Do entrepreneurs in the network help? *European Economic Review* 111: 257-272.
- Maystadt, Hirvonen, Mabiso, and Vandercasteelen. 2019. Impacts of Hosting Forced Migrants in Poor Countries. *Annual Review of Resource Economics* 11: 439-459.
- Maystadt and Duranton. 2019. The Development Push of Refugees: Evidence from Tanzania. *Journal of Economic Geography*, 19(2): 299-334.
- Maystadt and Salihu 2019. The political economy of intergovernmental transfers: Evidence from Nigeria. *Journal* of *Economic Geography*. 19(5): 1119-1142.
- Dagnelie, De Luca and Maystadt. 2018. Violence, Selection and Infant Mortality in Congo. Journal of Health Economics 59: 153-177.
- Jiliang and Maystadt. 2017. The impact of weather variations on maize yields and household income: Income diversification as adaptation in China. *Global Environmental Change* 42: 93-106.
- Marchiori, Maystadt and Schumacher. 2017. Is climate-induced income variability a driver of migration? A macro-economic perspective. *Migration & Development* 6(1): 33-59.
- Maystadt, Mueller and Sebastian 2016. Environmental Migration and labor markets in Nepal. *Journal of the Association of Resource and Environmental Economists* 3(2): 417-452.
- Maystadt, Calderone and You. 2015. Local Warming and Violent Conflict in North and South Sudan. Journal of Economic Geography 15: 649-671.
- Maystadt and Ecker. 2014. Extreme Weather and Civil War: Does Drought Fuel Conflict in Somalia through Livestock Price Shocks? American J. of Agri. Econo. 96(4): 1157-1182.
- Maystadt, De Luca, Sekeris and Ulimwengu. 2014. Mineral resources and conflicts in the DRC: A case of Ecological Fallacy. *Oxford Econ. Papers* 66: 721-749.
- Maystadt, Trinh Tan and Breisinger. 2014. Does Food Security Matter for Transition in Arab Countries. Food Policy 46: 106-115.
- Maystadt and Verwimp. 2014. Winners and Losers Among a Refugee-Hosting Population. *Economic Development and Cultural Change* 62(4): 769-809.
- Marchiori, Maystadt and Schumacher. 2012. Weather Variations and Migration in Sub-Saharan Africa. *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management* 63(3):355-374.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Beine, M., L. Bertinelli, R. Comertpay, A. Litina, and J.-F. Maystadt. 2019. Refugee mobility. Evidence from Phone Data in Turkey. In A.A. Salah, A. Pentland, B. Lepri, and E. Letouz. (Eds) Guide to Mobile Data Analytics in refugee Scenarios. Springer. pages 433-449.
- Maystadt, J.-F. and C. Breisinger. 2015. The EU refugee crisis: the tip of a global iceberg. IFPRI Policy Brief, forthcoming. (peer-reviewed)
- Calderone, M., D. Headey, and J.-F. Maystadt. 2014. Resilience to Climate-Induced Conflict in the Horn of Africa. (chapter 8) In Resilience for Food and Nutrition Security, edited by S. Fan, R. Pandya-Lorch, and S. Yosef, 65-73. Washington, DC: IFPRI (peer-reviewed)
- Mabiso, A., J.-F. Maystadt, J. Vandercasteelen, and K. Hirvonen. 2014. Resilience for Food Security in Refugee-Hosting Communities In Resilience for Food and Nutrition Security, edited by S. Fan, R. Pandya-Lorch, and S. Yosef, 45-52. Washington, DC: IFPRI. (peer-reviewed)
- Breisinger, C., O. Ecker, J.-F. Maystadt, J.-F. Trinh Tan, P. Al-Riffai, K. Bouzar, A. Sma, and M. Abdelgadir. 2014. (chapter 2)Food Security Policies for Building Resilience to Conflict In Resilience for Food and Nutrition Security, edited by S. Fan, R. Pandya-Lorch, and S. Yosef, 37-44. Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute. (peer-reviewed)
- Breisinger, C., O. Ecker, J.-F. Maystadt, J.-F. Trinh Tan, P. Al-Riffai, K. Bouzar, A. Sma, and M. Abdelgadir. 2014. How to Build Resilience to Conflict. The Role of Food Security. IFPRI Monograph. Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute. (peer-reviewed)
- Naude N., J.-F. Maystadt, A. de Brauw, R. Lucas, F. Gubert, F. Wouterse, H. de Haas (2013) The development potential of migration. WCAO Thematic Research Note 04. April 2013.
- Maystadt, J.-F. and V. Mueller. 2012. Environmental Migrants : A Myth? IFPRI Research Brief 18.
- Maystadt J.-F. 2004. Micro-finance au Nord: Un effet de mode import du Sud? Mondes en Developpement 32(126), 69-82. (peer-reviewed, prior to PhD)
- Maystadt J.-F. 2004 La Micro-finance peut-elle fonctionner au Nord? Apprentissage Sud-Nord, ed. Luc Pire, 175 pages. (Book, prior to PhD)

- J.-F. Maystadt and G. Migali. The intergenerational transmission of health across 7 generations: Evidence from China, 1789-1906. LUMS Economics WP 2017/001 (under review)
- O. Ecker and J.-F. Maystadt. Can unconditional cash transfers mitigate the impact of civil conflict on acute child malnutrition Yemen. IFPRI (MENA) WP 17, January 2019 (under review)
- O. Dagnelie, A,-M. Mayda, and J.-F. Maystadt. Refugees and Health in Africa.
- A. Al-Malk, J-F Maystadt and M Zanardi. The gravity of distance: Evidence from a trade embargo.
- Beshir, H. and J.-F. Maystadt. Price shocks and human capital: Timing matters.

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Academic services: Recruitment 2015-2016, Recruitment 2017-2018, MSc Economics Director 2017-2018

Teaching (Antwerp): Design and methodology in development research (2018-now); Quantitative units: Working with data (2018-2020); Quantitative units: Regression analysis and inference (2018-2020); Trade Policy: poverty impact and policy implications (2018-2020); International migration and development (2018-now); International economics (2018-2020)

Teaching (Lancaster): Applied Economics (2d year, 2014-now); Development Economics (2014-2018); World Economic Forum (MSc, 2016-2018), Growth in Emerging Economies (MSc, 2014-2016), Research Skills for Economists (PhD, 2014-2016), Research Skills for Economists (MSc, 2017-2019)

Teaching (KULeuven): Invited lectures for Advanced Development Economics for PhD and MSc students (2013-2015), Doctoral Workshop for MSc and PhD (2013-2015)

Refereeing: Afr. Affairs; Agri. Econ.; Agri. and Resource Econ. Rev.; Am. Econ. J.: Econ. Policy; Am. J. of Agri. Econ. (6); Applied Geo.; Bulletin of Econ. Research; Climate & Dev.; Ecological Econ.; Econ. J. (2); Educ. Econ. (3); Env. & Dev. Econ. (3); Env. & Resource Econ. (2); Food Policy (2); Geosciences; Global Env. Change (2); Int. Migration; Int. Migration Rev.; IZA J. of Dev. & Migration (2); J. of Association of Resource and Env. Econ.; J. Afr. Econ.; J. of Conflict Resolution (5); J. of Dem. Econ.; J. of Dev. Econ. (3); J. of Dev. Studies (2); J. of Econ. Geography (7); J. of Env. Econ. and Manag.; J. of Human Capital; J. of Int. Dev.; J. of Peace Research (6); J. of Refugee Studies (2); J. of Urban Econ.; Labor Econ.; Migration Studies (2); Nature Climate Change; Peace Econ., Peace Sc. & Public Policy; Pop. & Env. (3); Pop. Health; Public Choice; Rev. of Agr., Food and Env. Studies; Rev. of Dev. Econ. (2); Scand. J. of Econ.; World Dev. (3)

PhD supervision: Muhammad Salihu (December 2017); Habtamu Beshir (March 2019); and Afnan Al-Malk (on-going) PhD external examination: Stijn Van Weezel, 2015 PhD in Economics at Royal Holloway; Andrea Guariso, 2015 PhD in Economics at KU Leuven, Joachim Vandercasteelen, 2016 PhD in Economics at KU Leuven, Hannah Pieters, 2017 PhD in Economics at KU Leuven, Lara Cockx 2018 PhD in Economics at KU Leuven, Seneshaw Tamru Beyene 2019 PhD in Economics at KU Leuven, Figo Lau, 2019 PhD in Economics at Royal Holloway, Andreas Eberhard Ruiz-Larrea 2019 PhD in Economics at Sussex University

Program examination: University of Manchester for four MSc in Development (Oct 2015-Dec 2017)

Selected conferences and visits

Invited Seminars: COMPAS seminar (University of Oxford, February 2020), Globalization and Development (University of Goettingen, February 2020), Luxembourg University (CREA, November 2017), Caen University (September 2016), LICOS Anniversary Event (KU Leuven, December 2017), Geneva Graduate Institute (29 September 2016), US State Department, World Bank/KNOMAD/UNHCR Methodological Workshop on Impacts of Refugees and IDPs on Host Communities (November 2015), University of Namur (June 2014), University of Lancaster (January 2014). Prior 2014: Sussex University, Wageningen University, IFPRI, KU Leuven, University of Namur, DIW Berlin, University of Luxembourg, IDS Institute of Development Studies, UCL-CORE, CRED Center for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters, UCL-ECRU, Economic Development Initiatives (EDI, Bukoba, Tanzania), London School of Economics Conferences and workshops: HiCN workshop (Paris, October 2019); 12th Migration and Development Conference (Madrid, June 2019); LICOS workshop on migration, urbanisation and development (Leuven, May 2019); CSAE Conference (Oxford, March 2019), Workshop on the Political Economy of Migration (Lyon, February 2019), Conference on the Impacts of Refugees in Hosting Economies (USC, Los Angeles, September 2018), Climate-Conflict workshop (Stanford, December 2017), NEUDC Conference 2017 (Tufts, Boston, November 2017), European Economic Association Annual Conference (Lisbon, August 2017), Refugee Studies Centre Beyond crisis (Oxford, March 2017), Bocconi University (November 2016), UNESCWA/AUB Conference (Lebanon, September 2016); Royal Economic Society Annual Conference (Brighton, March 2016), International Conference on Migration and Development (Washington DC. June 2015 and Oxford, July 2014), IFPRI 2020 Conference (May 2014), Workshop on Quantitative Research on Environmental Migration (Paris, April 2014), RES Workshop (London, January 2014). Prior 2014: HiCN Workshop (Berkeley,

November 2013, Yale, Brighton), CSAE Conference (2013, 2011, 2009), CTA Brussels Briefing, European Development Day, TAMNEAC Meeting (Brighton), IAAE Triennial Conference (Foz do Iguau, Brazil), CCAFS Science Workshop (Copenhagen), Midwest International Economic Development Conference (Minnesota and Wisconsin), IFPRI-UNESCWA conference (Lebanon), IFPRI-IFAD workshop (Italy), Conference on the Economics of Adaptation to Climate Change in Low-Income Countries (Georges Washington University), IFPRI-University of Ghana Conference (Accra), ESPE 2010 (Germany), Royal Economic Society Fifth PhD Presentation Meeting (London UK), XXXIV Simposio de la Asociacion Espanola de Economia (Valencia), International Conference on New Economic Geography (Germany), IAP-Day (Brussels), Journes Doctorales de lADRES (Toulouse), Winter School on Polarization and Conflict, Cordoba (Cordoba). Visits: Georgetown University/ US State Department (April 2017), US State Department, IREEP (Institut de recherche Empirique en Economie Politique) at Cotonou (Benin, February 2014), Center for the Study of Forced Migration (CSFM) of the University of Dar el Salaam (Tanzania, May-June-July 2008)

Media and policy dialogue: Interview "Les eclaireurs" on "La premiere" (Belgian radio); UNESCWA expert group meeting (Amman); Nature paper featured on several Belgian newspapers or online news (La Libre, Le Vif, RTBF, De Morgen, Het Laaste Nieuws, VRT, De Standaard, RTL, Metro) and other online news (La Vanguardia, Science daily, etc); Interview in Science&Vie (Feb 2019): "La migration: La science sínvite dans le debat"; "Congres: Les Migrations, aujourdhui et demain" (organised by "entrepreneurs pour entrepreneurs" and "BNP-Paribas-Fortis", Brussels); Center for Security and Defense Studies, Royal Higher Institute for Defense (Brussels); IFPRI 2020 Conference (Addis); IFPRI-UNESCWA Conference (Beirut): IFPRI-University of Ghana Conference European Development Day (Accra); CTA Brussels Briefing (Brussels); Be.Troplive: Symposium on Pastoralism (Brussels)