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Bio:

- 46 years old
- Belgian citizen
- Assistant Professor @ TU Delft (the Netherlands), Faculty of Aerospace Engineering, Space Systems Engineering section
- Visiting Professor @ KU Leuven (Belgium), Faculty of Engineering Technology, Electronic Circuits and Systems (ECS) section
- Coach of Aether (student project: re-entry cubesat) @ KU Leuven (Belgium), Technovation hub vzw

Experience:

- Civil professor at Belgian Defence; electronics, avionics, antenna design, radar, transceivers, ...
- Electronics Engineer @ Royal Belgian Institute for Space Aeronomy (BISA) for PICASSO cubesat mission, initial design of SLP (Sweeping Langmuir Probe)
- System Engineer @ BISA for ALTIUS-mission
- Programme Manager @ BISA for EnVision VenSpec-H
- Development of NO₂-camera @ BISA (ground-based instrument)
- Development of ASPA @ BISA (ground-based instrument)
- Assistant Professor @ TU Delft
- Yearly guest lecture @ TU Berlin
- Collaborated in two space-contacts with astronaut Frank Dewinne , and one with Jasmin Moghbeli.



RF for driving AO devices and other applications





Gooch & Housego



Acoustic absorber







pattern

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Usability

Used for remote sensing from ground/space





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AO Setup



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Miniaturization of the RF chain for AO devices



Design RF generator/amplifier:

- Space qualified
- Flexibility
- Miniaturize (volume + mass)





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Applications

- NO₂ instrument
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- Solar Spectral Irradiance instrument
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FPGA

Frequency

Synthesizer

1-7 GHz

Analog Devices ADF4108S

Clock

40 MHz



Active

loop

filter

1-2 GHz

VCO

1–2 GHz



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Rigid

nosecone

Inflatable torus

Flexible TPS

material

Support column

Space Weather

Using RF signals in order to monitor the status of space weather.

- → Monitor status space- and ground-based technological infrastructure
- → Investigate specific atmospheric behavior and variations (sporadic E, layer variation, etc.)



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Design specific instrumentation to monitor sporadic E (Delfi-PQ based approach) RABSII – Radio Amateur Beacons aboard a nanoSatellite for the Investigation of the Ionosphere



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Challenges:

- Data analyses
- Signal reception \rightarrow database





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