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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2017-2024 Teaching Assistant and PhD Candidate, Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles, Centre de Recherche en Sciences Politiques.
- **PhD dissertation**
    - Title: Local energy governance: boosting or obstructing the emergence of renewable energy cooperatives in Wallonia?
    - Jury: Prof. Amandine Orsini (UCLouvain, supervisor), Prof. Marie Claire Brisbois (University of Sussex), Prof Tom Delreux (UCLouvain), Nathalie Schiffino (UCLouvain), Thijs Van de Graaf (University of Gent).
    - Research stay :
      - University of Lisbon with Prof. Ana Delicado (Instituto de ciencias sociais), September 2019.
      - University of Sussex with Prof. Marie-Claire Brisbois (Science Policy Research Unit), from March 2020 to May 2020.
  - **Teaching assistant**
    - International relations (BLOC 2, 5 ECTS)
    - Analyse des relations internationales (BLOC 2, 5 ECTS)
    - Textes fondateurs en sciences politiques (BLOC 2, 5 ECTS)
    - Introduction au travail universitaire en sciences sociales (BLOC 1,5 ECTS)
    - Institutions politiques de la Belgique (BLOC 1, 5 ECTS)
- 2017-2020 Climate Coach, GoodPlanet Belgium and Federal Climate Service Belgium. Giving animation sessions with the My2050 webtool to raise environmental awareness amongst young citizens.
- 2017 Assitant for the Jean Monnet Module – EU Environmental Policies & Law (POLLEN) Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles
- Teaching the session « How to write a Policy Brief ? ».
  - Managing the organization of the Module
- 2016-2017 EU Public Affairs Intern – EUROPEN (The European Association for Packaging and the Environment)
- Research and monitor current policy developments.
  - Organize and participate in meetings, including follow up actions.
  - Produce/update/review information material related to packaging & environmental issues.
  - Coordinate activities with EUROPEN’s members.

## **EDUCATION**

- 2015-2016 Master’s degree in european interdisciplinary studies, EU public affairs and governance, College of Europe, Natolin Campus (grade: good).
- Master’s thesis under the supervision of Prof. Justin Greenwood (University of Aberdeen): “How does interest representation affect the energy transition in the European Union?” (grade: very good).

- 2013-2015            Master’s degree in European studies, internal policies major, Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles and Université catholique de Louvain (grade : distinction ; Erasmus : Coimbra, Portugal)
- Master’s thesis under the supervision of Prof. Jean-Christophe Defraigne: “L’attitude de la Commission européenne vis à vis des politiques énergétiques et climatiques de est-elle un reflet des limites des paradigmes économiques en Europe ? » (grade : distinction).
- 2010-2013            Bachelor’s degree in Political Science, Université catholique de Louvain (grade : satisfaction)

### **PERSONAL SKILLS**

Mother tongue	French
Other languages	English: C1 level
	Dutch: B2 level
	Portuguese: A2 level

### **CERTIFICATES & MEMBERSHIP**

- Earth System Governance Fellow since 2018.
- Member of the Conseil du Développement Durable Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles (2017 – 2021).
- Member of the College of Europe Alumni Energy group (2016-2019).
- Certificate “Climate change series” – Institute of Strategic Communication, Paris (training on how to communicate about the place of citizens in the fight against climate change), 2016.
- Certificate “Climate Change Science and Negotiations” – SDSN – United Nations, online course with Prof. Jeffery Sachs and Prof. Emmanuel Guérin, 2014.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Cobut, L., Bauwens, T., Petrovics, D. (2025 – to be published). The transposition of Renewable Energy Community provisions in Central and Eastern Europe: an evidence of varied polycentric governance systems. In: Kavvatha, E., Orsini, A. *EU Environmental Policy and Law*. Second edition, Routledge.
- Cobut, L. (2025 – to be published). World Summit on Sustainable Development. In: Biermann, F., Hickmann, T., Kang, Y.H., Sénit, C-A., Sun, Y. *Routledge Essential Concepts for Implementing the Sustainable Development Goals: An A-Z Guide*. Routledge.
- Cobut, L. (2025 – to be published). Gouvernance polycentrique. In: Allain, M., Estève, A., Ollitrault, S., Orsini, A., Persico, S., Villalba, B. *Dictionnaire d’écologie politique*. Les Presses de SciencesPo.
- Petrovics, D., Cobut, L., Huitema, D., Giezen, M., & Orsini, A. (2024). Diverse scaling strategies of energy communities: A comparative case study analysis of varied governance contexts. *Earth System Governance*, 19, 100203. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.esg.2024.100203>
- Orsini, A., Cobut, L., & Gaborit, M. (2021). Climate change acts non-adoption as potential for renewed expertise and climate activism: the Belgian case. *Climate Policy*, 21(9), 1205–1217. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14693062.2021.1978052>
- Cobut, L. (2021) Renewable energy communities in the European energy policy: an evidence of clean energy for all europeans, not by all. *Egmont paper*, n°111, Bruxelles, Egmont – Royal Institute for International Relations.
- Orsini, A., Cobut, L. (2020). The Multilateral Policy Framework and the Limits of External Environmental Regulatory Actorship. In: A. Weyembergh and Mario Telò. ‘The Supranational at

Stake? The EU's External Competences caught between Complexity and Fragmentation', GEM Stones, Routledge.

- Cobut, L., Orsini, A., Biedenkopf, K., Blondeel, M., Fuchs, G., Kavvatha, E., Misonne, D., Niet, I. and Papin, M. (2019) [Focusing on non-state actions instead of non-state actors in the context of sustainability transitions](#), *Global Policy*.
- Cobut, L. (2019). [Les lobbies et l'écologie dans l'Union européenne : des intérêts en bataille](#), Bruxelles, *Bruxelles Laïque Echos*, n°105, pp. 48-52.
- Cobut, L. (2017). Book review of Delreux, T., Happaerts, S. (2016). *Environmental Policy and Politics in the European Union*. The European Union Series, Mac Palgrave. In: Paris: Dalloz, Revue de l'Union européenne.
- Cobut, L. (2018). Book review of Solorio, I., Helge, J. (2017). *A Guide to EU Renewable Energy Policy. Comparing Europeanization and Domestic Policy Change in EU Member States*. Edward Elgar. In: Oxford: Elsevier, Energy Research & Social Science.

## **PUBLIC LECTURES**

### **With Committee selection**

- Intervention at the ECPR General Conference, University of Innsbruck (2022): Polycentric governance in municipalities of Wallonia: increasing institutional capacity in a context of climate delay, 2022
- Intervention at the ESG Conference, University of Toronto (2022): Polycentric governance in municipalities of Wallonia: increasing institutional capacity in a context of climate delay, 2022.
- Intervention at the State of the Federation of the ABSP, University of Namur (2021): Local governance and the (non)emergence of renewable energy cooperatives. The case of Wallonia.
- Intervention at SPRU PhD Day, University of Sussex (2020): Local governance and the (non)emergence of renewable energy cooperatives. The case of Wallonia.
- Intervention at Belgium the State of the Federation of the ABSP, Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles (2019): The emergence of renewable energy communities in Wallonia: une ardeur d'avance of een eeuw te laat ?
- Intervention at the UACES Conference, University of Lisbon (2019): Renewable energy communities' emergence in Europe: What role for the Covenant of Mayors?
- Intervention at the Groupe de recherche sur l'Union européenne (GrUe), Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles (2019) : The use of QCA in a research on the variation of structural empowerment of renewable energy communities in Denmark, Portugal and Belgium.
- Intervention at the Earth System Governance Conference, Universiteit Utrecht (2018), Renewable Energy Communities' participation in the EU energy transition ?
- Intervention at the Exeter Energy and Society Conference, University of Exeter (2018), Consumer participation in the energy transition through renewable energy communities: what role for the European Union?

### **With invitation**

- Intervention during the POLLEN Module, UCLouvain (2022, 2023 and 2024): "The EU energy policy: towards polycentric governance?",
- Intervention at Journée d'étude « La fabrique des politiques climatiques locales », Centre Emile Durkheim, Sciences Po Bordeaux (2021): Polycentricity in local energy governance: understanding the role of municipalities in the (non)emergence of renewable energy cooperatives in Wallonia.
- Intervention for the Eurasian Research Center of the Akhmet Yassawi University (2021): The EU's renewable energy policy and renewable energy communities.
- Intervention in the course of Dr. Heidi Mercenier "Introduction to EU politics", ULB, Bachelor (2020): The EU renewable energy policy.

- Intervention in Cycle de Conférence sur le développement durable, IHECS, with Maxime Gaborit (2020) : L'urgence climatique au travers des sciences sociales : analyse des initiatives de transitions et des mobilisations des jeunes pour le climat.
- Intervention in the course of Dr. Marco Orsini “EU environmental and energy policies” to talk about the Clean Energy Package and renewable energy communities.
- Intervention au colloque “Europe, la fin du spectacle”, Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles (2018): Comment se manifestent les idées de la (post-)croissance au sein du système politique européen. Une réponse au travers du prisme de l'économie écologique.

### **ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS**

- Editor of the EUGlobalGreen case studies (as a part of the Jean Monnet Chair of Prof. Amandine Orsini), 2023 and 2024.
- Co-organised a one-day seminar on the topic “Au delà des marges du politique : objets, méthodes et limites” at Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles, academic year 2022-2023.
- Co-organised a seminar of four sessions on research methods at Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles, academic year 2021-2022.
- Co-organised a doctoral day where three PhD candidates presented their research at Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles, academic year 2020-2021.
- Co-organised a seminar of three sessions on research methods at Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles, academic year 2020-2021.
- Manager of the walking tour “The role of lobbies in the European Union”, organized in Brussels between April 2017 and February 2021.
- Co-creator and president of the JEF (Jeunes Européens Fédéralistes) Louvain-la-Neuve local section (2013-2015).
- President of the student association Kap Expé, organizing outdoor activities for students (2011-2014).

### **REPRESENTATION SKILLS**

- Representant of the scientific members of the Centre de Recherche en Science Politique (CReSPo) to the Board of the CReSPo during academic years 2020-2021 and 2021-2022.