

# Dr. Lynn Govaert

## Personal Details

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## Profile

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Lynn Govaert is a mathematician with a PhD in Biology (Evolutionary Ecology). She is fascinated to understand how ecological and evolutionary processes interact and simultaneously shape and structure communities and ecosystems in their response to global change. By taking a trait-based perspective, Lynn aims to obtain a mechanistic understanding and to detect general patterns on community trait dynamics in response to global change. Within her research, Lynn develops conceptual frameworks to capture the mechanisms, drivers and consequences of community trait changes, and integrate these frameworks with theoretical modelling and microcosm experiments.

## Education

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2013—2018      PhD in Sciences (Biology) at the Laboratory of Aquatic Ecology, Evolution and Conservation at University of Leuven, Belgium

2012—2013      Internship Specific Teaching Education (Mathematics)

2012—2013      Credit contract Sciences (in Biology) at University of Leuven, Belgium

2010—2012      Master of Science in Mathematics option Teaching, University of Leuven, Belgium

2007-2010      Bachelor of Science in Mathematics minor Bio-sciences, KULAK, Kortrijk and University of Leuven, Belgium

## Professional Experience

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Since 2021      Group leader of “Eco-evolutionary dynamics” research group at Leibniz Institute of Freshwater Ecology and Inland Fisheries (IGB), Berlin, Germany

2018—2020      Postdoctoral researcher at Department of Evolutionary Biology and Environmental studies, University of Zurich, and at Department of Aquatic Ecology at Eawag: the Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology, Zurich, Switzerland

## Grants & Fellowships

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2021              Norwegian travel grant (TILTAK 3 Internasjonalisering 2021) of Nord University, Bodø, Norway

2018              ESEB Godfrey Hewitt Mobility Award

2017              FWO travel grant for research stay at Cornell University, Ithaca, USA

## Publications (selected)

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Verrelli B.C., Alberti M., Des Roches S., Harris N.C., Hendry A.P., Johnson M.T., Savage A.M., Charmantier A., Gotanda K.M., **Govaert L.**, Miles L.S., ..., Zhou Y. and Ziter, C. (2022). A global horizon scan for urban evolutionary ecology, *Trends in Ecology & Evolution* 37:1006-1019.

**Govaert L.**, Pantel J.H. and De Meester L. (2022). Quantifying eco-evolutionary contributions to trait divergence in spatially structured systems, *Ecological Monographs* 92(4):e1531.

**Govaert, L.**, De Meester L., Rousseaux S., Declerck S.A.J. and Pantel J.H. (2021). Measuring the contribution of evolution to community trait structure in freshwater zooplankton, *Oikos* 130(10):1773-1787

**Govaert L.**, Altermatt F., De Meester L., Leibold M.A., McPeck M., Pantel J.H., and Urban M. (2021). Integrating fundamental processes to understand eco-evolutionary community dynamics and patterns, *Functional Ecology* 35(10):2138-2155 .

Alberti M., Palkovacs E.P., Des Roches S., De Meester L., Brans K.I., **Govaert L.**, Grimm N.B., Harris N.C., Hendry A.P., Schell C.J., Szulkin M., Munshi-South J., Urban M.C., and Verrelli B.C. (2020). The complexity of urban eco-evolutionary dynamics, *BioScience* 70(9):772-793.

## Invited Talks & Seminars (selected)

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1. Seminar at University of Innsbruck, Innsbruck, Austria, 17 May 2022 and at Limnological station Mondsee, Mondsee, Austria, 11 May 2022
2. Seminar at North West seminar of Mathematical Biology and Data Science, 17 February 2021
3. Presentation at Society for Mathematical Biology (annual meeting), virtual conference, symposium session: Eco-evolutionary dynamics across scales of organisation, 17-20 August 2020
4. Keynote at 7th Evolutionary Demography Society Annual Meeting, Roros, Norway, 15-19 April 2020 (*postponed due to COVID-19 to virtual conference on 6-11 October 2020*)
5. Seminar at Nord University, Bodø, Norway, 16 June 2019 and at Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway, 14 June 2019