



**Honorary  
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**Jacques Vilroxx**



Jacques Vilroxx, Professor Emeritus at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel with specializations in international comparative industrial relations, the functioning of the labour market and organizational change, is one of the key players in the education scene of the modern Europe and neighboring regions.

As Dean of the Faculty of Economic and Social Sciences and the Solvay Business School in 1998 – 2002, as well as the Director of the Department of Sociology and the TESA labour market research group, Dr. Vilroxx supervised the “Bologna” restructuring of the educational system and pursued an active Europeanisation policy of the Faculty.

Beginning from early 90s and up to today, he initiated as a promotor of, or participated as a partner in, many international (often EU funded) projects in which West-European universities collaborated with their counterparts in Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the EU Eastern Partnership Countries, including the establishment of a two-year master programme in “European Integration and Georgian Employment Relations” (EIGER) jointly organized by Caucasus University, Georgian American University and Tbilisi State University.

Out of his other outstanding achievements, being a co-founder of IREC, the European industrial relations network, a Fellow (1886-1887) at “Forecasting and Assessment of Science and Technology” (FAST, an advisory group to European Commission President Jacques Delors) and been awarded in 2010 the “Honorary Medal of the President of the Republic of Bulgaria” by President Giorgi Parvanov, stand out the most.