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Ghent University at a glance



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History of Ghent University



- Founded in 1817 by William I, King of the Netherlands
- Belgian independence 1830: Belgian State University
- Alma Mater of eminent scientists: Joseph Plateau, Leo Baekeland, Corneel Heymans
- Decree of the Flemish Community 1991: great autonomy to Ghent University



Ghent University today



- 1990's - today: uninterrupted growth
- Over 31.000 students
- 11 faculties, education and research in all scientific branches
- Open, committed and pluralistic university
- Broad international perspective



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Ghent University: 7,094 staff members

Total number of staff working at Ghent University:
(excl. Ghent University Hospital, end 2008)

- √ 962 professors (autonomous academic staff)
- √ 1068 assistants (academic assistant staff)
- √ 747 other research staff
- √ 2307 administrative & technical staff members
- √ 2010 externally financed researchers



Ghent University - finances



- Revenue: 471 million EUR in 2008
(direct funding Flemish Community: 49.14%)
- 58% of the revenue is used for the personnel costs, 30% for operations and equipment, the remaining 7% goes to the depreciation of the university investments

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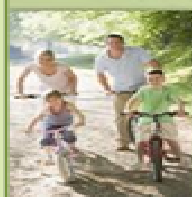

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Interfaculty Centre of Excellence for Food Science, Nutrition and Health



- Groups >30 laboratories and research units
- Distributed over
 - 6 different faculties of the Ghent University
 - 2 different research units of ILVO
 - 3 different research units of HOGent & HOWest
(Discussions with VUB ongoing)
- Supported by 540 researchers and technicians



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Key Advantages

- Grouping of top expertise around the total health chain, from feed over food to general health.
- Independent, efficient & direct: no unnecessary or expensive extra layers.
- Regional and national active. International focused.
- Strong scientific base & knowledge center.
- Covering breakthrough research as well as applied research.
- Focus on the specific & individual needs of our partners in industry, resulting in direct competitive advantages.
- Highly experienced members with long track record.
- A key source of Intellectual Property
- Not organized as a profit center.



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Activities



1. Increase interaction with industry
2. Building a strategic patent portfolio
3. Valorization of available technology & IP
4. Partnering (industry/stake holders)
5. Diffusion of knowledge
6. Boosting synergism among members
7. Interacting/lobbying with ministries
8. Promoting food & healthy living



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