

The times are a-changing

*Or why we need more
professors – The analysis of
Actiegroep Hoger Onderwijs*

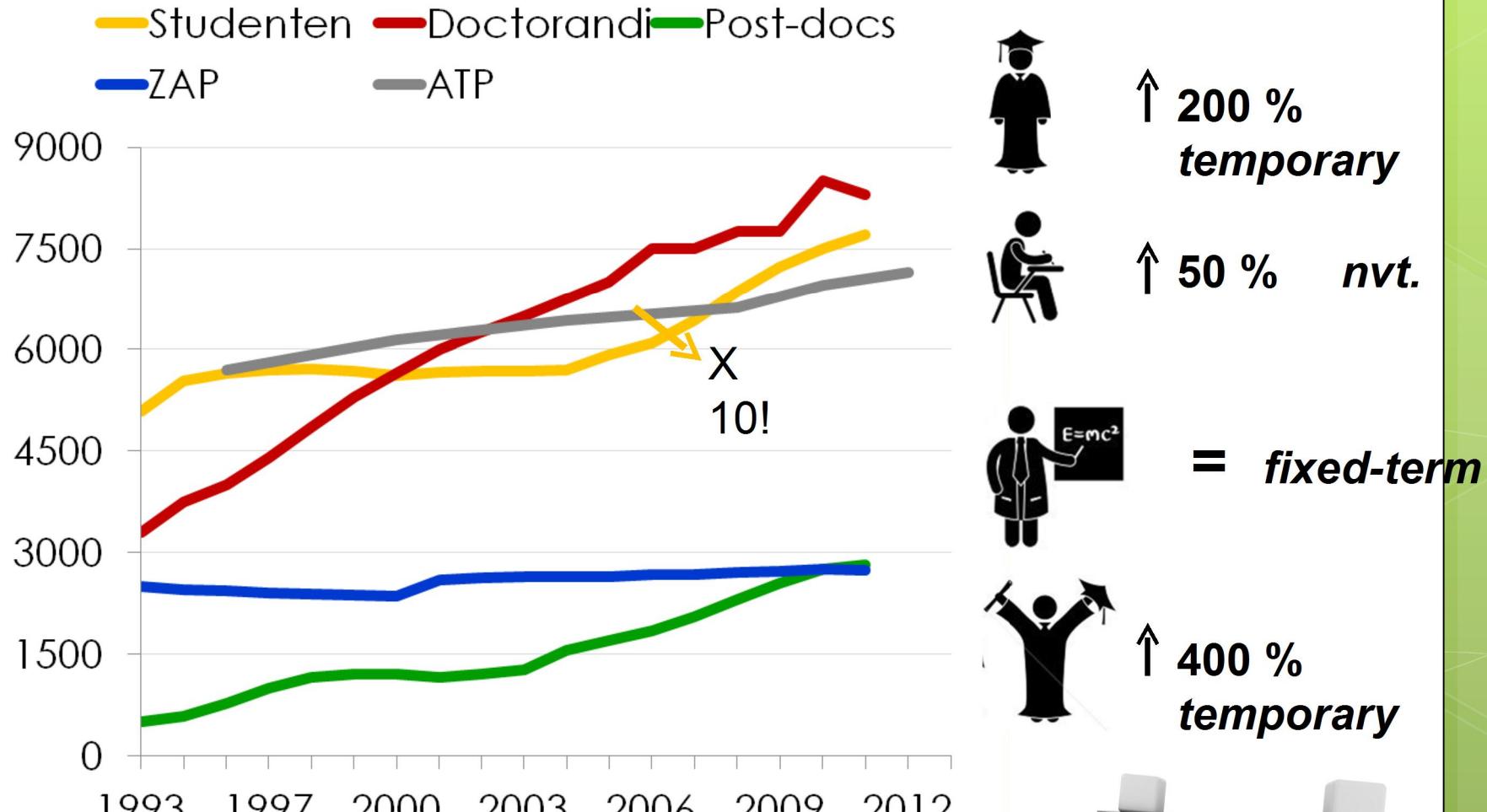
Who are we?

- Group of academics who want change
- From all disciplines (alfa and beta)
- From all generations (doc, postdoc, professors)
- Started in August 2013 with petition

The story so far

- Petition on the reform of HE: 4,000 signatures
- Session in Commission Education and Equal Chances, Flemish Parliament
- Meetings with unions, political parties, study centres, FWO, ministers, rectors, etc.

More students, more doctoral students, but nr of professors stagnates



Personeelsstatistieken VLIR, Basisindicatoren HRFF (ECOOM),
ond.vlaanderen.be



↑ 200 %
temporary



↑ 50 % nvt.



= *fixed-term*



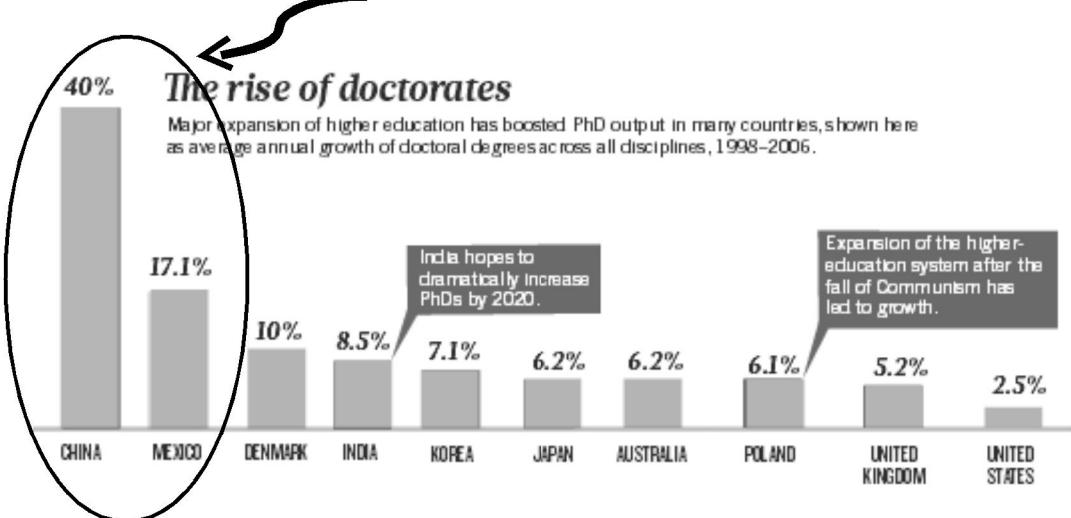
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Evolution in Flanders more steep than in other countries

3de grootste stijging op wereldniveau

alleen China en Mexico gaan ons voor



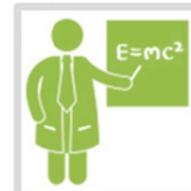
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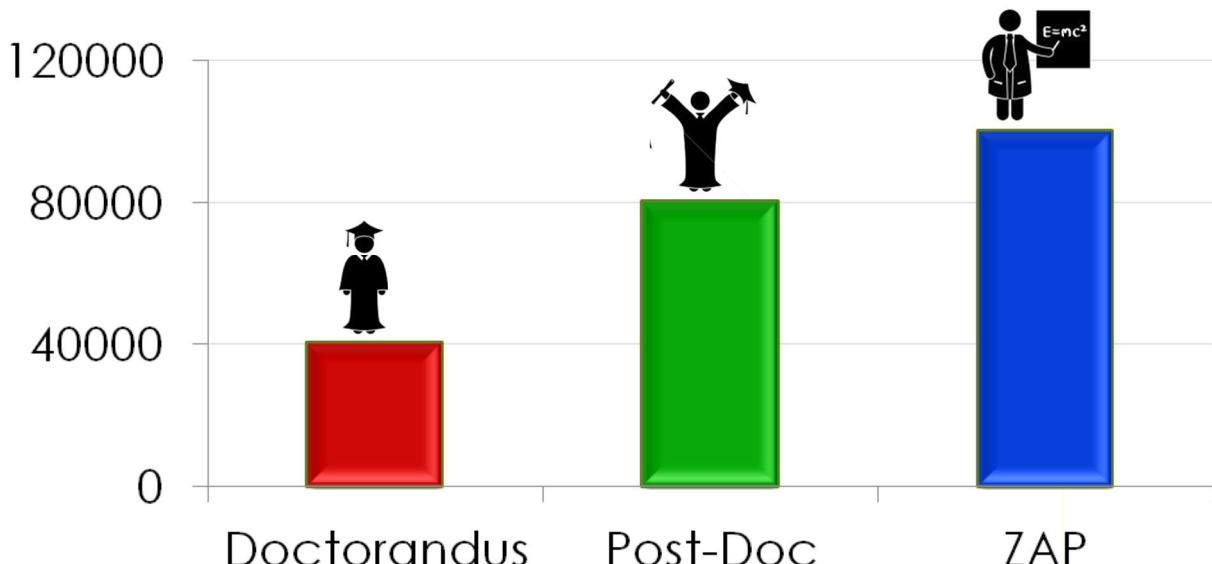


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Doctoral students are cheap, and they bring in money

→ ESTIMATE OF COST:

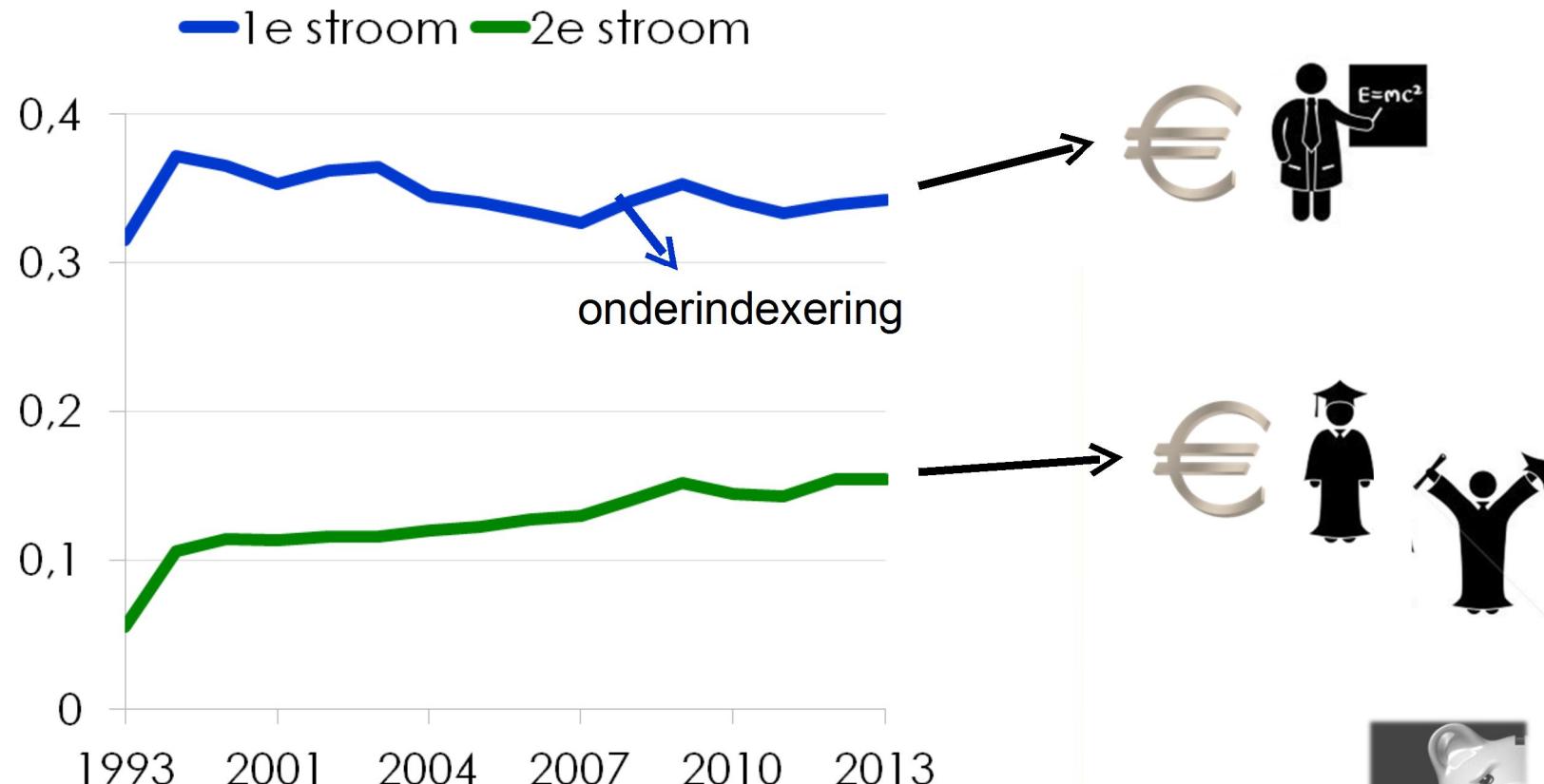


→ Doctoral students in law on HE financing

- * 40% weighted in variable research part
- * reward > 50 000 euro for a PhD



Basic financing has stagnated, hence number of professors stagnates



Ecoom: HRRF indicatoren & Vlaams Indicatorenboek 2011 & 2013



Two demands: changes at the macro-level

- A broader basic financing
- A thorough, critical and neutral evaluation of the law on the financing of HE (=financieringsdecreet) including participation of all affected,

Thank you!



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