Biography

Prof. Dr. Thierry Troosters is a physiotherapist, who is appointed as a fulltime Research Professor at the Faculty of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation Sciences of the KU Leuven, Belgium where he also conducted his PhD work.

His one year post-doctoral stay at the Hospital Clinic in Barcelona further guided his research career. Along with the Respiratory Division at the University Hospitals in Leuven, his key research topics include the consequences of inactivity, the optimization of exercise training strategies for patients with lung disease and the strategies to enhance physical activity. He pioneered on investigating the impact of physical inactivity in patients with respiratory conditions.

Professor Troosters has published over 140 peer reviewed papers. He served on the Editorial Boards of the top journals on respiratory medicine. He is the incoming ERS Vice President 2017-2018 and will become ERS President.