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Research Interests & Methods

Economics of Migration; Development Economics; Political Economy; Structural Econometrics; RCTs.

Positions & Affiliations

Università di Padova *February 2022–*
Postdoctoral researcher (Assegnista di Ricerca)

Free University of Bolzano Bozen *February 2021–February 2022*
Postdoctoral researcher (Assegnista di Ricerca)

Laboratory for Effective Anti-Poverty Policies *October 2018–*
Student Affiliate

Education

Bocconi University *September 2015–August 2021*
Ph.D. Candidate/Ph.D. Fellow

Bocconi University *January 2021*
Milan, Italy
Ph.D. in Economics
Advisor: Jérôme Adda

Yale University *Spring 2018*
New Haven, USA
Visiting Assistant in Research
Contact: Joseph Altonji

Ca' Foscari University *April 2015*
Venice, Italy
Laurea, Economics and Management, 110 *cum laude*
Advisor: Giacomo Pasini

Georgia State University *January 2015*
Atlanta, USA
B.S., Economics, Minor in Sociology, *Summa cum Laude*

Research

Working papers

Rescue on Stage: Border Enforcement and Public Attention in the Mediterranean Sea
[\[Link to draft on Dropbox\]](#) [\[Link to WB Development Impact blog post\]](#)

Third Party Interest, Resource Value, and the Likelihood of Conflict
Joint with Matteo Bizzarri and Riccardo Franceschin
[\[Link to CSEF WP\]](#)

Fueling Organized Crime: Oil Thefts and the Mexican Drug War
Joint with Gianmarco Daniele, Marco Le Moglie, and Paolo Pinotti
[\[Link to SSRN WP\]](#)

Work in progress

Informing Risky Migration: Experimental Evidence from Guinea
Joint with Lucia Corno and Eliana La Ferrara

The Mediterranean Media Diet: News Events, Political Messages, and Intentions to Vote in Italy
Joint with Federico Boffa, Eugenio Levi, and Steven Stillman

Awards and Scholarships

Scholarship for most promising Bocconi PhD Candidates Fondazione Romeo ed Enrica Invernizzi	<i>September 2019–August 2021</i>
Fully Funded PhD Scholarship Bocconi University	<i>September 2015–August 2019</i>
Roberto Franceschi Research Funds Fondazione Roberto Franceschi	<i>January 2018</i>
Netspar Bachelor Thesis Award Netspar	<i>January 2016</i>
Erasmus+ Scholarship EU	<i>September 2014–January 2015</i>
Atlantis Programme Scholarship EU and USA	<i>August 2013–August 2014</i>
President's List of Georgia State University GSU	<i>Fall 2013–Summer 2014</i>

Refereeing

American Economic Review, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, International Migration; European Journal of Law and Economics

Conferences & Workshops

Africa Meeting of the Econometric Society Spring (online); (<i>upcoming</i>) BSE Summer Forum Migration, Barcelona; (<i>upcoming</i>) Novafrika Conference on Economic Development, Lisbon; (<i>upcoming</i>) Annual Conference of the International Society of Political Psychology, Athens; Measuring Migration Network (online); Chicago/LSE Crime Conference, London; CEPR/Misum/SITE Development Economics Conference, Stockholm	2022
Spring Meeting of Young Economists (online).	2021
EALE SOLE AASLE World Conference (online); Econometric Society World Congress (online); Virtual PhD Conference at Bocconi, organized and presented (online)	2020
Forced Displacement, Asylum Seekers and Refugees: Economic Aspects and Policy Issues, COMPAS and QMUL (London, UK); 5 th Workshop on the Economics of Migration, LISER, (Esch-Belval, Luxembourg); Development and Political Economy SF Bay Area (Stanford, USA); 12 th International Conference on Migration and Development, AFD and WB (Madrid, Spain); Workshop on Political Economy, UNIBZ (Brunico, Italy); Oxford Development Workshop, CSAE (Oxford, UK)	2019
13 th National Conference of the Italian Health Economists' Association (AIES) (Bologna, Italy)	2016

Invited Seminars & Workshops

Junior Economics Seminar, UNIL (Lausanne, Switzerland); Junior Economics Seminar, Università Bicocca (Milan, Italy); invited class in the PhD Course 'The Political Economy of Populism,' Sapienza University of Rome	2022
Conference on the Political Economy of Power Relations (Milan, Italy); Economics Seminar at Masaryk University of Brno (online); CLEAN Winter Workshop (Milan, Italy)	2021
Economics seminar at the University of Pavia	2020

Organized Seminars & Workshops

Virtual PhD Workshop on Migration at Bocconi (online)	2020
Bocconi PhD Students' Informal Seminar Series	2017-2019

Research Assistantships

Bocconi University Translation of a Matlab code for an RDD-class estimator in STATA.	Spring 2017
Bocconi University Evaluation of business proposals by participants of the ADANSONIA project.	September 2017
Transplant Center of Padua University Data collection for a research effort about kidney transplant chains.	Summer 2015

University of Venice and Transplant Center of Padua University
Data collection and analysis for the project ‘Incorporating Patients’ Preferences in
Kidney Transplant Decision Protocols’ of Ca’ Foscari University and University of
Padova.

Summer 2014

Teaching Experience

Ca’ Foscari University of Venice

Economics and Governance of Migration (master)
Instructor

Spring 2022

Free University of Bolzano-Bozen

Labor Economics (Undergraduate)
Teaching Assistant for Steven Stillman

Fall 2021

Bocconi University

Development Economics (Master)
Teaching Assistant for Eliana La Ferrara, Alfredo Burlando, and Alexia Delfino

Spring 2020-2021

Labor Economics (Master)
Teaching Assistant for Thomas Le Barbanchon, Jérôme Adda, and Tito Boeri

Spring 2017, 2019, 2020

Macroeconomics 2 (PhD)
Teaching Assistant for Antonella Trigari and Luigi Iovino

Fall 2017-2020

Incentive Design and Policy (Undergraduate)
Teaching Assistant for Fausto Panunzi, and Salvatore Piccolo

Spring 2019-2020

Microeconomics (Undergraduate)
Tutor for Fausto Panunzi

Fall 2016-2020

RA Supervision

RA supervision for text classification during the project ‘Rescue on Stage: Border Enforcement and Public Attention in the Mediterranean Sea.’

2018-2019

RA supervision for data collection during the project ‘Informing Risky Migration: Experimental Evidence from Guinea.’

2018-2020

Grant Proposal Writing

Task for an internal funding application at UNIBZ by Federico Boffa, Steven Stillman, and Giacomo De Luca with the project ‘Populism, Competence, and Political Communication.’

2020

Own grant application for Fondazione Franceschi Research Funding with the project ‘Border Enforcement and Rescue Policy in the Central Mediterranean.’

2017

Languages

Italian (native), English (proficient), French (intermediate), Spanish (intermediate).

IT Skills

Python, Stata, Matlab, L^AT_EX, GPU Computing With CUDA.

Other Activities

Venice International University: Summer Institute of Ageing *June 2015*
Venice

Ca' Foscari-Harvard Summer School *June 2013*
Venice

Université de Versailles-Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines *Fall 2014*
Paris, France
Erasmus +