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Personal information: Born on 29th May 1972, Italian.

Current positions:

January 2011 –
Associate Professor of Economics
Department of Economics, University of Verona.

In November 2025 he was appointed full professor of Economic Policy, starting from March 2026

April 2013-
CESifo Research Fellow, Munich.
(Research Affiliate from October 2006 to March 2013)

January 2017-
Life Member, Clare Hall College, University of Cambridge

November 2019-
Member of the Scientific Committee, Luigi Einaudi Foundation, Rome

Previous positions

February 2022 – March 2025
Deputy Director, PhD in Economics and Finance, University of Verona

October 2021 – September 2024
Member of the Academic Senate, University of Verona

November 2015 – February 2022
Director, PhD in Economics and Management, University of Verona

August 2014 – July 2020
Honorary Professorial Fellow, Global Development Institute, University of Manchester
September 2007 – August 2008

Jean Monnet Fellow, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute.

July 2005 – January 2011

Lecturer in Economics, Department of Government, University of Florence

December 2004 – June 2005

Postdoctoral fellow, Department of Economics, University of Siena

September 2004 - November 2004, September – October 2006

Fellow, ICER, International Centre for Economic Research, Torino

September 2003 - July 2004

Lecturer in Economics, Royal Holloway, University of London.

Visiting positions:

Visiting Scholar, Jilin University, China (December 2024)

Visiting Scholar, Groupe de Recherche en Droit, Economie, Gestion (GREDEG), Université Côte d'Azur, Nice (January 2024)

Visiting scholar, IMT Lucca (January 2017)

Visiting Fellow, Clare Hall College, University of Cambridge (July-December 2016)

Visiting Fellow, Institute for Development Policy and Management, University of Manchester (January-February 2014)

Visiting Researcher, CESifo, Munich (December 2013; January 2019)

Jemolo Fellow, Nuffield College, University of Oxford (August-September 2013)

Visiting Professor, IEB, Universitat de Barcelona (September 2011)

Visiting Professor, Université de Rennes 1 (April 2011)

Visiting Professor, Luiss University, Rome (September 2010)

Visiting Professor, Shanghai Normal University - China (March - April 2009)

Education:

September 2003 – October 2006

Postgraduate Certificate of Academic Practice in Teaching and Learning, Royal Holloway, University of London.

November 1999 – March 2004

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Siena. Dissertation: “Essays on Fiscal Policy”.

October 2001 – April 2002

Visiting Student at the Department of Economics, North Carolina State University (sponsor Prof.

John J. Seater).

October 1998 – September 1999
M.Sc. in Economics, University of Exeter (UK).

February 1998
B.A. in Economics and Business, magna cum laude, University of Bari.

Bibliometric indices

Scopus: 651 citations, H-index: 15
Google Scholar: 1810 citations, H-index: 24
Repec: 10th percentile worldwide

Research funds and awards

Local co-ordinator of the Verona research unit of the PRIN (National Research Project) “The Economics of Beliefs, Culture and Institutions”, national coordinator Davide Ticchi (Università Politecnica delle Marche), 2023-2025.

Supervisor, “Economics of Artificial Intelligence”, PhD scholarship funded by the National Plan for Recovery and Resilience (NextGenEU), 2023-2027.

Supervisor, “Climate change, agriculture and conflict: analysis and adaptation strategies”, PhD scholarship funded by the National Plan for Recovery and Resilience (NextGenEU), 2022-2026.

Principal Investigator, “The Structure of Cyberconflict and Its Relationship with the World System: A Social Network Analysis”, University of Verona, 2019-2020.

Principal Investigator, ‘Climate Change and Migration in Vietnamese Rural Households’, United Nations University – World Institute for Development Economics Research, 2017-2018 (with A. Baronchelli).

NEPS medal for the best paper in Peace Economics published in 2016 “Climate Change, Rice Crops and Violence. Evidence from Indonesia”, *Journal of Peace Research*, 53, 66-83 (with R. Caruso and I. Petrarca).

Principal Investigator, “The Economics and Geography of Innovation”, University of Verona, 2017-2019.

Principal Investigator ‘Oil Discoveries, Democracy, and State Capacity’, United Nations University – World Institute for Development Economics Research, 2015-2016 (with T. Masi).

Co-investigator, Determinants of state capacity in developing countries, Esid, University of Manchester, 2014-2016 (with A. Savoia)

Local co-ordinator of the Verona research unit of the PRIN (National Research Project) “Economic crisis and quality of democracy in Europe”, scientific co-ordinator Prof Leonardo Morlino, 2013-2015.

Principal Investigator, “Climate Change and Conflict”, University of Verona, 2012-2014.

Jean Monnet Fellowship, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute, 2007-2008.

Member, PRIN “Risk and ambiguity: new theories and applications to the analysis of markets and to the design of institutions”, scientific co-ordinator Prof John Hey, 2008-2009.

Member, PRIN “The European economic institutions and the new-Keynesian dynamics with unionised labour markets, scientific co-ordinator Prof Roberto Tamborini, 2006-2007.

Scholarships:

Cooperint 2012 and 2016, University of Verona.

University of Verona, Departmental research funding, 2011-

University of Florence, Departmental research funding, 2006-2010.

University of Florence, Internationalization funding (invitation for Enrico Spolaore), 2007.

Taiwan Foundation for Democracy, research funds for “Determinants of Direct Democracy”, 2006.

Icer Scholarship, Turin (2004 and 2006).

Strategy Research Fund, Royal Holloway, University of London, research funds for “Experiments on Drift and Equilibrium Selection”, 2003.

“Fulbright” Scholarship for research in the US during the academic year 2001/2002.

Ph.D. Scholarship, University of Siena, 1999/2003.

Scholarship for studies abroad, University of Bari, 1998/99.

Teaching Experience:

CBS Cologne Business School

2023-2024 European Economic Issues (Erasmus Staff Exchange)

University of Verona

2025-	Global Economic Trends (PG)
2024-	Introduction to Economics (PhD, Finance track)
2022-	Technical Change and the Economy (UG)
2021-	International Economics and Policy (UG)
2013-22	International Economic Policy (PG)
2012-15	Development Economics (PG)
2012-13	Microeconomics for Economic History (PhD)
2011-2021	Economic Policy (UG)
2011-	Political Economy (PhD)
2011-13	Industrial Economics (UG)
2011-12	Applied Industrial Economics (PG)

University of Florence

2010-12	State and the Economy in the Middle East (PG)
2008-11	Economic Growth (PG), International Economic Policy (PG)
2008-09	Economic Analysis of Politics (PG)
2005-08	Macroeconomics (UG)
2004-07	Microeconomics (UG)
2007-08	Macroeconomics 2 (UG)
2005-10	Macroeconomics and International Economics (PG)

Shanghai Normal University

2008-09	Public Choice (UG)
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University of Siena

2007-08	Public Choice (PhD)
2005-06	International Economic Policy (UG)
2004-05	Economic Forecasting (PG)
2003-05	Macroeconomics (UG)

Royal Holloway, University of London

2003-04	Microeconomics, Industrial Organisation (UG)
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PhD Boards

October 2024-

Member of the Board of the National PhD in Peace Studies, La Sapienza University of Rome

September 2021-

Member of the Board of the PhD in Economics and Finance, Doctoral School, University of Verona

September 2014-August 2021

Member of the Board of the PhD in Economics and Management, Doctoral School in Economics and Law, University of Verona

January 2012-2014

Member of the Board of the PhD in Economics and Finance, Graduate School of Economics and Management, and Member of the Board of the PhD in Economic History, Graduate School of Historical, Geographical and Anthropological Studies, Universities of Ca' Foscari Venice, Padua and Verona (both Schools have been deactivated).

PhD Students

Salvatore Romeo, 2011-2014.

Tania Masi, 2013-2017

Mattia Viale, 2014-2018 (co-supervisor)

Davide Bernardi, 2016- 2020

Mohammad Rafiqul Islam, 2019-2022 (Marie Skłodowska-Curie Action)

Amie Jobe, 2021-

Andrea Xamo, 2021-

Tadele Tefera, 2022-

Yue Dong, 2023-

Giulia Tringari, 2024- (co-supervisor)

PhD External examiner

Catholic University, Milan (2024); University of Salerno (2023); University of Manchester (MPhil, 2022, 2023); Roma Tre University (2017); IMT-Lucca (2017, 2018); University of Vigo (2017); University of Milano Bicocca (2013); University of Turin (2010); University of East Anglia (2011); University of Trento (2011, 2016, 2022 and 2023).

Edited book:

Italian Institutional Reforms: A Public Choice Perspective (2008), Springer (with F. Padovano).

Journal articles:

“Elite Persistence in Medieval Venice after the Black Death” (2025). *Rivista di Storia Economica – Italian Review of Economic History*, 3, 307-329 (with A. Baronchelli and M. Viale).

“The Words That Keep People Apart: Official Language, Accountability and Fiscal Capacity” (2025). *Journal of Institutional Economics*, 21, e35 (with A. Baronchelli and A. Foresta).

“The Battlefield and the Wire: Linking Cyber and Material Conflicts, 2000-2014” (2025). *Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy*, 31, 365-380 (with A. Baronchelli).

“The Impact of Government Size on Corruption: A Meta-Regression Analysis” (2025). *Journal of Economic Surveys*, 39, 1727-1757 (with G. Bonanno, L. Errico, and N. Fiorino).

“The State in Pantaleoni: A Theoretical Analysis in Evolution” (2025). *History of Economic Thought and Policy*, 1/2025, 155-173 (with L. Tedesco), special issue “Pantaleoni at 100”.

“The Economic Consequences of Mr. Volpi: An Analysis of ‘Quota 90’” (2024). *Investigaciones de Historia Económica/Economic History Research*, 20, 33-42 (with D. Bernardi).

“Early Railways and Industrial Development: Local Evidence from Sardinia in 1871–1911” (2023). *Rivista di Storia Economica/Italian Review of Economic History*, 3, 331-368 (with U. Gragnolati and L. Moretti).

“A Note on Detecting Dividing Lines in Turnout: Spatial Dependence and Heterogeneity in the 2012 US Presidential Election” (2022), *Journal of Geovisualization and Spatial Analysis*, 6(2) article n. 34 (with N. Fiorino and N. Pontarollo).

“Temperature Shocks, Rice Production, and Migration in Vietnamese Households” (2022), *Ecological Economics*, 193, 107301 (with A. Baronchelli).

“Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons: Are Embargoes Effective?” (2022), *The World Economy*, 45(5), 1336-1361 (with A. Baronchelli and R. Caruso).

“The Importance of Betting Early” (2021), *Risks*, 9, 67 (with A. Innocenti and T. Nannicini) [special issue on Risk in gambling; SSRN's Top Ten download list for: DecisionSciRN: Discounted Utility Theory (Sub-Topic)].

“Spatial Links in the Analysis of Voter Turnout in European Parliamentary Elections” (2021), *Letters in Spatial and Resource Sciences*, 14, 65–78 (with N. Fiorino and N. Pontarollo).

“Economic Inequality in Early Modern Venice: Evidence from a New Archival Source” (2021), *Rivista di Storia Economica*, 37(2), 95-113 (with E. Demo and M. Viale).

“Railways and Manufacturing Productivity in Italy After Unification” (2020), *Journal of Regional Science*, 60(4), 775-800 (with N. Pontarollo).

“Regional Diffusion of Military Regimes in Sub-Saharan Africa” (2020), *Papers in Regional Science*, 99(1), 225-244 (with R. Caruso and N. Pontarollo).

“The Heterogeneous Effect of Oil Discoveries on Democracy” (2019), *Economics and Politics*, 31(3), 374-402 (with T. Masi).

“What Determines Administrative Capacity in Developing Countries?” (2019), *International Tax and Public Finance*, 26(5), 972-998 (with A. Savoia and K. Sen). [leading article]

“Supra National, National and Regional Dimensions of Voter Turnout in European Parliament Elections” (2019), *Journal of Common Market Studies*, 57(4), 877-893 (with N. Fiorino and N. Pontarollo).

“How Do Political Institutions Affect Fiscal Capacity? Explaining Taxation in Developing Economies” (2019), *Journal of Institutional Economics*, 15(2), 351-380 (with A. Savoia and K. Sen).

“Mafia Murders in Palermo (1909-1992)” (2019), *Journal of Regional Security*, 14, 25-28 (with N. Pontarollo, special issue on “Mapping International Security”).

“An Interval Variables Approach to Address Measurement Uncertainty in Governance Indicators” (2019), *Economics Bulletin*, 39, 626-635 (with C. Drago).

“A Note on Borders, Dyads and the Distribution of Democracy in Sub-Saharan Africa” (2018), *Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy*, 24, 20180010 (with N. Pontarollo).

“Growth and Inequality in an Experimental AK Model” (2018), *Italian Economic Journal*, 4, 313-330 (with F. Ponzano).

“Bridging Economics and International Relations to Understand State Capacity and War in Sub-Saharan Africa” (2017), *Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy*, 23, 20170026 (with D. Rossignoli).

“Reassessing the Bank-Industry Relationship in Italy, 1913-1936: A Counterfactual Analysis” (2017), *Cliometrica*, 11, 183-216 (with C. Drago, A. Rinaldi and M. Vasta).

“Communities Detection as a Tool to Assess a Reform in the Italian Interlocking Directorship Network” (2017), *Physica A: Statistical Mechanics and its Applications*, 466, 91-104 (with C. Drago).

“The Economic Impact of Peacekeeping. Evidence from South Sudan” (2017), *Defence and Peace Economics*, 28, 250-270 (with R. Caruso, P. Khadka and I. Petrarca).

“Climate Change, Rice Crops and Violence. Evidence from Indonesia” (2016). *Journal of Peace Research*, 53, 66-83 (with R. Caruso and I. Petrarca). Winner of the NEPS medal for the best paper in Peace Economics published in 2016.

“Corporate Governance Reforms, Interlocking Directorship and Company Performance in Italy” (2015), *International Review of Law and Economics*, 41, 38-49 (with C. Drago, F. Millo and P. Santella).

“Synthetic ‘Real Socialism’: A Counterfactual Analysis of Political and Economic Liberalizations” (2015), *Economics and Business Review*, 1 (15), No. 1: 69–88. Formerly *Poznan University of Economics Review*, special issue on the Cliometrics of Transition (with I. Petrarca).

“The Geography of Culture and Human Development in Italy” (2015), *Homo Oeconomicus*, 32, 77-99 (with I. Petrarca).

“The Resource Curse, Rule of Law and Accountability in African Countries: A Dynamic Panel Analysis”, *Economics Bulletin*, 34, 1905-1916 (with R. Marchi Adani).

“Fascism Was Not a Developmental Dictatorship. Evidence from Simple Tests” (2014). *Historical Social Research (section Cliometrics)*, 39, 337-346.

“The Historical Economics of Corruption and Development within Italy” (2013), *International Journal of Monetary Economics and Finance*, 6, 186-202 (with I. Petrarca).

“Social Crisis Prevention: A Political Alert Index for the Israel-Palestine Conflict” (2013), *Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy*, 19, 103-122 (with A. De Palma, N. Picard, F. Perali, and A. Scorbureanu). [Leading article]

“The Role of Women in the Italian Network of Boards of Directors, 2003-2010” (2012), *Rivista di Politica Economica*, 110, 161-185 (with C. Drago, F. Millo and P. Santella).

“Do Term Limits Truly Affect Fiscal Policy Choices?” (2011), *European Journal of Political Economy*, 27, 681-692 (with C. Dalle Nogare).

“State Protection, Interest Groups and Government Spending in Italy, 1876-1913” (2011), *Homo Oeconomicus*, 27, 443-461 (with N. Fiorino).

“State Capacity, Manufacturing and Civil Conflict” (2010), *Economics Bulletin*, 30, 4, 3038-3043 (with J. Costa).

“Legislatures and Government Spending: Evidence from Democratic Countries” (2010), *The IUP Journal of Governance and Public Policy*, 5, 41-58.

“A Note on Openness and Economic Growth in Italy, 1861-1994” (2009), *Historical Social Research (section Cliometrics)*, 34, 390-396 (with P. Margani).

“Simulating Voting Rule Reforms for the Italian Parliament. An Economic Perspective” (2009), *AUCO Czech Economic Review*, 3, 292-304 (with S. Ottone and F. Ponzano)

“Laboratory Experiments for Economic Policy Making” (2009), *Journal of Economic Surveys*, 23,

407-432 (with H.T. Normann). [Leading article]

“Political Competition and Economic Performance: Evidence from the Italian Regions” (2009). *Public Choice*, 138, 263-277 (with F. Padovano). [Leading article]

“The Quest for a Fiscal Rule: Italy, 1861-1998” (2008), *Cliometrica*, 2, 259-274.

“Drift and Equilibrium Selection with Human and Computer Players” (2008), *Economics Bulletin*, 3, 1-7 (with M. Caminati and A. Innocenti).

“Bringing Macroeconomics into the Lab” (2008), *Journal of Macroeconomics*, 30, 216-237.

“Legislature Size and Government Spending in Italian Regions: Forecasting the Effects of a Reform” (2007), *Public Choice*, 131, 117-125 (with N. Fiorino).

“Drift Effect under Timing without Observability: Experimental Evidence” (2006), *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, 61, 393-414 (with M. Caminati and A. Innocenti).

“L’évaluation des politiques budgétaires en Europe: règles budgétaires et marges de manœuvre des gouvernements” (2006), *Revue de l’OFCE*, 99, 275-301 (with F. Farina).

“Econometric Evidence of Tax-Smoothing in Italy, 1861-1998” (2004), *Rivista Internazionale di Scienze Economiche e Commerciali*, 51, 393-404.

“Political Fragmentation and Fiscal Outcomes” (2004), *Public Choice*, 118, 365-388.

“An Experimental Analysis of Two Departures from Ricardian Equivalence” (2003), *Economics Bulletin*, 8(11), 1-11 (with D. Di Laurea).

“Assessing Ricardian Equivalence” (2003), *Journal of Economic Surveys*, 17, 55-78.

“Tax Evasion across Italy: Rational Noncompliance or Inadequate Civic Concern?” (2002), *Public Choice*, 112, 259-273 (with G. Brosio and A. Cassone).

Chapters:

“Text Analytics Can Predict Contract Fairness, Transparency and Applicability” (2021). *Proceedings of the 17th International Conference on Web Information Systems and Technologies – WEBIST*, SciTePress pp. 316-323 <http://dx.doi.org/10.5220/0010660700003058> (with C. Tomazzoli, F. Olivieri, L. Pasetto, M. Cristani, A. Baronchelli, and N. Assolini).

“Bootstrapping the Gini Index of the Network Degree: An Application for Italian Corporate Governance” (2020). In: G. Ragozzini and M.P. Vitale (eds.) *Challenges in Social Network Research: Methods and Applications*, 49-62, Springer (with C. Drago).

“Symbolic Data Analysis of the Italian Airport System” (2020). *American Institute of Physics Conference Proceedings* 2293, 240014; <https://doi.org/10.1063/5.0027190> (with C. Drago e C. Rosolino).

“Statistical Detection of Anomalies in the Economic Behavior of Traffic Flows on Road Networks” (2020). *American Institute of Physics Conference Proceedings* 2293, 240013;

<https://doi.org/10.1063/5.0027193> (with C. Drago, V. Ciccone and P. Delle Site).

“Measuring Direct Democracy” (2017). In: Schofield, N. and Caballero, G. (eds.) *State, Institutions and Democracy: Contributions of Political Economy*, Springer, 143-158 (with N. Fiorino and F. Venturino).

“Relative Income Distribution in Six European Countries” (2016). In: Bishop, J. and Rodriguez, J.C. (eds.) *Inequality after the 20th Century: Papers from the Sixth ECINEQ Meeting, Research on Economic Inequality* (vol. 24), Emerald, 361-386 (with I. Petrarca).

“External Constraints Matter for Privatizations” (2016). In: A. Philippopoulos (ed.) *Public Sector Economics and the Need for Reforms*, MIT Press, 213-228 (with I. Petrarca).

“The Probability of Military Rule, Africa 1970-2007” (2014). In: K. Warneryd (ed.), *The Economics of Conflict: Theory and Empirical Evidence*, MIT Press, pp. 105-126 (with R. Caruso and J. Costa).

“State Capacity, Manufacturing and Civil Conflict in Africa and Latin America, 1970-2007” (2011). In: Caruso, R. (ed.) *Ethnic Conflict, Civil War and Cost of Conflict*, Emerald Group Publishing, 131-140 (with J. Costa).

“Laws and Legislature Size in Italian Regions: Which Will Be the Effect of an Increase in the Number Legislators?” (2008). In: Padovano, F. and Ricciuti, R. (Eds.) *Italian Institutional Reforms: A Public Choice Perspective*, Springer, pp. 77-88, (with N. Fiorino).

“The Fiscal Theory of the Price Level in European Countries: A Cointegrated VAR Approach” (2008). In: Farina, F. and Tamborini, R. (Eds.) *Macroeconomic Policy in the European Monetary Union*, Routledge, pp. 129-145 (with F. Farina).

“Trading Interests: Legislature Size, Constituency Size and Government Spending in a Panel of Countries” (2004), In: D. Di Gioacchino, S. Ginebri and L. Sabani (Eds.) *The Role of Organized Interest Groups in Policy Making*, Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 315-335.

Working Papers:

“Air Supremacy Is Not Enough: The Effect of Drone and Air Strikes on Terrorist Attacks in Somalia and Yemen” (2025). *CESifo Working Paper No. 12242* (with A. Baronchelli, A. Foresta, F. Santi, and T. Tefera).

“Electricity and the Geography of Industrial Development in a Latecomer Country: Preliminary Evidence on Italy, 1901-1911” (2025). *Working Paper Series n. 1/2025*, Department of Economics University of Verona (with A. Xamo).

“Sectoral shifts and labour market outcomes in sub-Saharan Africa” (2023). *WIDER Working Paper 2023/138* (with A.M. Jobe).

“‘Monopolistic’ vs. ‘Cooperative’ State in the Institutional and Economic Modelling of Antonio De Viti De Marco (2023). *Working Paper Series n. 7/2023*, Department of Economics University of Verona (with L. Tedesco).

Professional Activities:

Editorial:

Member of the Editorial Board of *Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy*, 2012-

Member of the Scientific Committee of *Journal of Public Finance and Public Choice*, 2018-

Member of the Editorial Board of *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications*, 2022-

Appointments:

Member of the Board of the Inter-University Centre for Experimental Economics, 2007-2011.

Member of the Board of Economists for Peace and Security – Italian Chapter, 2013-

Referee for:

British Journal of Political Science; Bulletin of Economic Research; Cliometrica; Comparative Economic Studies; Constitutional Political Economy; Conflict Management and Peace Science; Defence and Peace Economics; Ecological Economics; Economics Bulletin; Economic Notes; Economic Systems; Economics of Governance; Economic Inquiry; Economics and Politics; Entrepreneurship Research Journal; Environment and Planning C: Government and Policy; European Journal of Law and Economics; European Journal of Political Economy; European Journal of Comparative Economics; Fiscal Studies; International Review of Law and Economics; International Review of Economics; Journal of Applied Economics; Journal of Applied Econometrics; Journal of Common Market Studies; Journal of Conflict Resolution; Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization; Journal of Economic Methodology; Journal of the European Economic Association; Journal of Government and Economics; Journal of Institutional Economics; Journal of Law, Economics and Organization; Journal of Legislative Studies; Journal of Money, Credit and Banking; Journal of Population Economics; Journal of Post-Keynesian Economics; Journal of Public Finance and Public Choice; Metroeconomica; Mind&Society; Papers in Regional Science; Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy; Physica A; Public Choice; Rivista di Politica Economica, Scandinavian Journal of Economics; Sage Open, Southern Economic Journal, Structural Change and Economic Dynamics, World Development.

Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research, 2014; Italian Ministry of University and Research, PRIN 2012, 2020; SIR 2014; National Research Council – Romania, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2017 and 2019; Polish National Science Centre, 2022.

Workshops organised and co-organised:

XXXV Scientific Meeting Italian Society of Public Economics (SIEP) 2023 (Verona); 18th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, Verona, June 18-20, 2018; “VIII Summer School in Development Economics”, Italian Society of Development Economics, Garda, 15th -19th June 2015; “VII Summer School in Development Economics”, Italian Society of Development Economics, Ascea, 23rd -26th June 2014; “VI Summer School in Development Economics”, Italian Society of Development Economics, Alba di Canazei, 15th-19th July 2013; “2011 Florence Workshop in Experimental Economics – VII Labsi Workshop”, University of Florence, 29th-30th April 2011; “First Workshop of Italian Experimental and Behavioural Economists”, University of Florence, May 14th-15th 2009; “2008 Florence Workshop in Experimental Economics – VI Labsi Workshop”, University of Florence, June 13th 2008; “Political Economy and Public Choice: Theory and Experiments”, Labsi, University of Siena, September 27th-29th 2007; “2007 Florence Workshop in Experimental Economics – V Labsi Workshop”, University of Florence, April, 27th 2007; “Third Workshop on Macroeconomic Governance in the EMU”, University of Siena, May, 5-7th 2006; “Second Workshop on Macroeconomic Governance in the EMU”, University of Siena, May, 6-8th 2005; Workshop “Italian Institutional Reforms: An Economic Analysis”, Roma Tre University, February, 25-26th

2005.

Memberships:

AEA (American Economic Association), EEA (European Economic Association), RES (Royal Economic Society); SIEP (Italian Society of Public Economics) SIDE (Italian Society of Law and Economics), SITES (Italian Society of Development Economics), SSD (Society for the Study of Democracy) and WINIR (World Interdisciplinary Network for Institutional Research).

Administrative duties:

University of Verona:

Member of the Self Evaluation Group, Department of Economics 2012, Managing Board of the Department of Economics 2012-2015; Member of the Quality Assurance Team, BA in Economics and Business, Vicenza 2013-2015; Member of the Quality Assurance Team, MSc in International Economics and Business, Vicenza 2015; Chair, Students-Professors Joint Committee 2013-2015; Department Seminar Series Committee 2013-2015; Social media, Department of Economics, 2021-; Chair, Project Group of the degree “Economics, Finance and Data”, 2024-.

University of Florence:

Member of the Executive Board, M.A. in International Relations & European Studies, 2009-11; Member of the Self Evaluation Group, M.A. in Political Science, 2009-10; Member of the Executive Board, B.A. in International Studies, 2007-11; Member of the Research Committee, 2006-08.

Research blogs

2023 “Embargoes on small arms work, but more can be done” on *Economists on Peace*; “Will a revenue boom support development in resource-rich economies?” on *UNU-Wider blog*.

2021 “Temperature shocks, rice production and migrations in Vietnam” on *Economists on Peace*. 2019 “How can developing countries learn to tax?” on *OECD Development Matters*; “Developing countries are bad at collecting taxes. What can help” on *The Conversation*; “How can developing countries deliver effective public financial planning?” on the UNU-Wider blog; “The climate-food-conflict connection in Indonesia” on *Asia Dialogue* blog (University of Nottingham Asia Research Institute); “How Can Developing Countries Pay for the SDGs?” on *Project Syndicate*; “The diffusion of military regimes in sub-Saharan Africa: regional and global determinants” on *Economists on Peace*.

2016 “Impartial institutions promote higher fiscal revenues” on the Effective States and Inclusive Development Blog.

2016 Post on newsecuritybeat.org (Wilson Center) on “Climate Change, Rice Crops and Violence. Evidence from Indonesia”.

2016 Post on Oxford Business Law Blog featuring the paper “Communities Detection as a Tool to Assess a Reform in the Italian Interlocking Directorship Network” (www.law.ox.ac.uk/business-law-blog)

2013-2014 Two posts on “Economists on Conflict” hosted by Sipri and Economists for Peace and Security (www.sipri.org/news/2014/economists-conflict-blog-update).

Selected conferences and seminars

2025: 13th Eurasian Peace Science Conference (Zagreb); European Public Choice Society Conference (Riga); Royal Economic Society Conference (Birmingham); ESHET 2025 Annual Conference (Turin); EACES-AISSEC Workshop (Perugia); 66a Riunione Scientifica SIE (Naples).

2024: Centre for the Study of African Economies Conference 2024 (Oxford); European Public Choice Society Conference (Wien); German Development Economics Conference 2024 (Hannover); Meta-Analysis in Economics Research Network Colloquium 2024 (Augsburg); Italian Society of Public Economics (Cagliari); Italian Society of Economics (Urbino); School of Economics (Jilin University).

2023: 2023 European Public Choice Society Conference (University of Hannover); WIDER Development Conference “Revving up revenue for development – the role of domestic resource mobilization” (Oslo, invited discussant); Italian Society of Public Economics (Verona).

2022: 2022 European Public Choice Society Conference (Universidade do Minho); The 21st Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet (Marseille); 21st Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference (King’s College, London); 7th WINIR Conference; Italian Society of Public Economics (L’Aquila); Italian Society of Economics (Torino).

2021: 2021 European Public Choice Society Conference (Université de Lille); 2021 Scottish Economics Society Annual Conference; 5th European Conference on Social Network (University of Naples); 2021 International Institute of Public Finance Conference; 17th International Conference on Web Information Systems and Technologies (WEBIST); IV Workshop on Formal and Informal Institutions for Growth and Development (Université de Paris-Sorbonne); Workshop International Sanctions (University of Florence).

2020: 2020 European Public Choice Society Conference (University of Luzern); 2020 Scottish Economics Society Annual Conference (Perth); ISNA Sunbelt 2020 (Paris); EPCR Conference (Innsbruck); Historical Network Research Conference 2020 (Luxembourg); Italian Society of Public Economics (Milan-Bicocca); Workshop Empirical Public and Political Economics (Leuven); Italian Society of Economists.

2019: “The Political Economy of Democracy and Dictatorship” (Münster); Society for the Study of Democracy (Florence); 19th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference (The Hague); 2019 European Historical Economics Society Conference (Paris); UACES (Lisbon); 17th International Conference of Numerical Analysis and Applied Mathematics (Rodes); Summer School “War, reconstruction and establishment of peace from the roots of war to the establishment of a lasting Peace”, Catholic University OLG (Tirana); Italian Society of Public Economics (Turin); Department of Economics, Roma Tre University; 7th International Workshop in Social Network Analysis (University of Salerno).

2018: Department of Economics, Roma Tre University; Department of Economics, University of Florence; “New research on cyber warfare: insights into the changing nature of peace and war processes” workshop at 2018 Peace Science Society Conference (University of Texas, Austin); CNR-ISSM (Naples); Italian Society of Public Economics (Padua); Summer School “War, reconstruction and establishment of peace from the roots of war to the establishment of a lasting Peace”, Catholic University OLG (Tirana); IX IBEO workshop (University of Corsica); ‘Rethinking Clusters’ (University of Florence); 2018 European Public Choice Society Conference (Catholic University, Rome); University of Milan-Bicocca; Waves of VARHS (UNU- WIDER, Helsinki); “The Political Economy of Democracy and Dictatorship” (Münster).

2017: IMT-Lucca; “The Political Economy of Democracy and Dictatorship” (Münster); 2017 APSA

Annual Meeting (San Francisco); 2017 ZEW Public Finance Conference (Mannheim); WINIR Conference on Institutions & Open Societies (Utrecht); UNU-WIDER Development Conference on Public Economics for Development (Maputo, Mozambique); V International Conference on Political Economy and Institutions (Vigo).

2016: European Public Choice Society Conference (Freiburg); 20th Annual Conference of the Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (Paris); 16th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference (Milan); Italian Statistics Society 2016 (Salerno); Summer School in Poverty and Human Rights, University of Palermo; University of Salerno; Italian Society of Public Economics (Lecce); Summer School “War, reconstruction and establishment of peace from the roots of war to the establishment of a lasting Peace”, Catholic University OLGC (Tirana); 11th Annual CEDI Conference on Development and Institutions (Brunel University); 10th CESifo Workshop on Political Economy (Dresden); Clare Hall (Cambridge).

2015: European Public Choice Society Conference (Groeningen); University of Munich; XII Public Economics at the Regional and Local Level (Turin and Alessandria); Italian Statistics Society (Venice); Italian Development Economists Society (Florence); IV International Conference on Political Economy and Institutions (Vigo).

2014: Institute for Development Policy and Management, University of Manchester; European Public Choice Society Conference (Cambridge); Department of Economics, University of Southern Denmark; 14th Conference of the International Economic Association; CESifo Venice Summer Institute “Reforming the Public Sector”; Italian Society for the Study of Comparative Economic Systems, University of Macerata; Italian Society of Public Economics (Pavia); Italian Economists’ Society (Trento); 2014 Meeting of the Peace Science Society (Philadelphia); Development Studies Association Conference (London); Keele University.

2013: 9th BETA Workshop in Historical Economics (Strasbourg); 13th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference (Milan); ISNA Sunbelt XXXIII (Hamburg); V Summer School in Development Economics (Universities of Salerno, Verona and Trento); Italian Society of Public Economics (Pavia); Italian Economists’ Society (Bologna).

2012: CEIS, University of Rome Tor Vergata; Department of Economics, University of Salento; CREI, University of Roma Tre; 21st Silvaplana Workshop in Political Economy; 44th Money, Macro and Finance Conference (Trinity College, Dublin); IX Conference of the Italian Society for the History of Economic Thought (University of Padua); IV Summer School in Development Economics (Universities of Salerno, Verona and Trento); 2012 Conference of the Italian Society of Historical Demography (Alghero); ESA European Conference (University of Koln); Italian Economists’ Society (Matera).

2011: Centre for the Study of African Economies Conference 2011, University of Oxford; Department of Economics, University of East Anglia; Department of Economics, University of Florence; IMEBE, Barcelona; Royal Economic Society Conference (Egham); Department of Economics, University of Florence; Italian Society for the Study of Comparative Economic Systems, University of Macerata, Fifteenth Annual International Conference on Economics and Security, University of Bristol; Experimental Methods and Economic Modelling, Second University of Naples; CESifo Venice Summer Institute “The Economics of Conflict – Theory and Policy Lessons”; IEB, Universitat de Barcelona; “16th Meeting on The Working of the Board of Directors”, University of Padua; Italian Society of Law and Economics (Turin).

2010: European Public Choice Society Conference (Izmir), CESifo-Delphi (Munich), 9th Journées d'Economie Publique Louis-André Gérard-Varet (Marseille), IAREP-SABE (Koln); EU-Korea ICI Seminar (Ajou University); Italian Society of Public Economics (Pavia); Italian Society of Law and Economics (Bozen).

2009: 3rd CESifo Workshop in Political Economy (Dresden); Italian Economists' Society (Rome); European Association of Law and Economics (Rome); The Economics of Political Economics, University of Milan-Bicocca; European Public Choice Society Conference (Athens); Exchange Rate Regimes in Historical Perspective (Glasgow).

2008: 3rd FRESH meeting (Strasbourg); Italian Economists' Society (Perugia); Association Française de Science Economique (Paris); European Economic Association (Milan); European Public Choice Society (Jena); CESifo-Delphi; Department of History and Civilization, European University Institute; CREI, Università di Roma Tre.

2007: XVIII Italian Society of Public Economics; 16th Silvaplana Workshop in Political Economy; PEARLE, University of Tampere; Simulations and other quantitative methodologies for the assessment of electoral systems, Università del Piemonte Orientale; CESifo Area Conference in Public Sector Economics (Munich); First World Public Choice Congress (Amsterdam).

2006: CREI, Università di Roma Tre; Small Open Economies in a Globalised World, Università di Bologna; International Institute of Public Finance Conference (Cyprus); 15th Silvaplana Workshop in Political Economy; XVIII Villa Mondragone International Economic Seminar – Università di Roma Tor Vergata; Dipartimento di Scienze Economiche, Università di Verona; Dipartimento di Politiche Pubbliche e Scelte Collettive, Università del Piemonte Orientale;

2004-2005: ESA European Meeting (Alessandria); XVII Italian Society of Public Economics (Pavia); European Public Choice Society Conference (Durham);

2004: Department of Economics, University of Turin; CREI, Roma Tre University; III LabSi Workshop in Experimental Economics; Department of Public Policies and Collective Choices, University of Eastern Piedmont; International Institute of Public Finance Conference (Milan); ESA International Meeting (Amsterdam); Experimental Methods in Economics, Finance and Management (City University of Hong Kong); European Public Choice Society Meeting (Berlin).

2003–2001: ESA European Meeting (Erfurt); Money Macro and Finance Research Group 35th Annual Conference (Cambridge); VII CEEL Workshop in Experimental Economics (Trento); “Lobbying and the Institutional Structure of Policy Making”, University di Rome «La Sapienza»; Public Choice Society Meeting (San Diego); Department of Economics, North Carolina State University; ESA North American Regional Conference (Tucson); IV CEEL Workshop in Experimental Economics (Grenoble).

Other courses

2009 - “Barcelona Summer School in Experimental Macroeconomics”, given by John Duffy (UPenn), Rosemarie Nagel (UPF) and Franz Heinemann (Technical University of Berlin)

2007 – “Workshop on Unified Growth Theory”, European University Institute, given by Prof. Oded Galor (Brown University).

2003 - “Inequality and Economic Integration”, University of Siena, organised by Prof. Francesco Farina. “Lectures on Panel Data Analysis”, Bank of Italy, given by Prof. Franco Peracchi (Università di Roma “Tor Vergata”).

2002 - “The Eight IFREE/ICES Visiting Graduate Students Workshop in Experimental Economics”, George Mason University (Arlington, Virginia) organised by Prof. Vernon Smith. “Mannheim Empirical Research Summer School” (MERSS), SFB 504, Università di Mannheim (Germany) organised by Prof. Oliver Kirchkamp.

1999 - “Bari Summer School and Workshop in Experimental Economics”, University of Bari, organised by Prof. John Hey.