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Academic Positions and Affiliations

Feb. 2024 - Assistant Professor in Economics, University of Bergamo

Sep. 2019 - 2024 Assistant Professor in Economic History, FEB (University of Groningen)

Jan. 2022- Research Affiliate at the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR)

Jan. 2022- Research Fellow at Political Economics and Reforms, Institutional Complexity, and Legislative Evaluation Studies (PERICLES), research unit at Università Bocconi

Jan. 2019–June 2019 PostDoctoral Fellow, History Center of Dep. of Economics (Northwestern University)

Aug. 2017–Dec. 2018 PostDoctoral Associate, Università Bocconi (employer: Massimo Morelli)

Aug. 2016–July 2017 PostDoctoral Associate, Cowles Foundation for Research in Economics (Yale University)

Education

May 2016 Ph.D. in Economics and Finance, Università “Luigi Bocconi”
Dissertation Committee and References: Maristella Botticini (Supervisor), Alberto Alesina, Tommaso Nannicini and Guido Tabellini
Dissertation: Culture, Institutions, and Economics Outcomes in Comparative Perspective

March 2010 Master of Science in Economics and Social Sciences, Università “Luigi Bocconi”
Supervisor: Prof. Alberto Alesina
Thesis: “Fiscal Policies During Banking Crisis: Historical Evidence”
Grade: 110 cum laude

July 2007 B.Sc. in Economics of International Markets and New Tech., Università “Luigi Bocconi”
Supervisor: Prof. Francesco Billari
Thesis: “Replacement Migration and European Demographic Structure”
Grade: 110 cum laude

Research Interests

Political Economics, Economic History and Applied Microeconomics.

Publications

- Intertemporal evidence on the strategy of populism in the United States. (with Gloria Gennaro and Massimo Morelli) *Electoral Studies* 92 (2024): 102853.
- State Formation, Social Unrest and Cultural Distance: Brigandage in Post-Unification Italy 1861-1865 (with Laura Ogliari and Tommaso Orlando) *Journal of Economic Growth*, 27(3), 453 - 483 (2022).

- Birth and Migration of scientists: does religiosity matter? (with Laura Ogliari and Mara P. Squicciarini) *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organizations*, 187, 274-289, 2021.
- Institutional Transplant and Cultural Proximity: Insights from Nineteenth- Century Prussia (with Laura Ogliari) *Journal of Economic History*, 79(4), 1060-1093, 2019
- “The Electoral Consequences of Large Fiscal Adjustments” (with A. Alesina and D. Carloni), in *Fiscal Policy after the Financial Crisis*, University of Chicago Press, NBER Research Conference Report, 2012.

Working Papers

- Local Specialization and Growth: The Italian Land Reform (with Riccardo Bianchi-Vimercati and Matteo Magnaricotte) - *Under Revision*
- Turmoil after Death: Leadership, Protests, and Growth (with Laura Ogliari and Tommaso Nannicini) - *Under Revision*
- From Fields to Factories: Malaria Eradication and Industrialization in Post-War Italy (with Paolo Buonanno, Laura Ogliari and Vitantonio Mariella)
- The Economics and Politics of Government Aid (with Tommaso Colussi, Massimiliano Onorato and Marco Manacorda)
- Social Insurance Programs and the Dynamics of Collective Actions (with Tancredi Buscemi and Michele Rosenberg)

Grants

Eief 2018 Grant (PI: Tommaso Colussi)

Refereeing Activities

Referee for *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *American Economic Review*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, *Economic Journal*, *Journal of Economic History*, *Journal of Economic Growth*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, *Economica*, *Political Science Quarterly*, *Italian Economic Journal*, *Acta Sociologica*, *British Journal of Sociology*, *Economic History Review*, *European Journal of Political Economy*, *European Journal of Political Research*, *Government and Opposition*, *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics* and *Rivista di Storia Economica*.

Seminar and Conference Organization

- Co-organizer of the Economics Seminar Series at University of Bergamo since Fall 2024
- Co-organizer of the workshop “Structural Change, Industrialization, and Economic Growth” (9 & 10 December 2024) hosted by the University of Bergamo
- Member of the local organizing committee of the [European Historical Economics Society Conference](#) (17 & 18 June 2022) hosted by the University of Groningen.
- Co-organizer of the seminar series PEGDECH at University of Groningen a.y. 2020-2021
- Co-organizer of the Lunch History Seminar at Northwestern University in the Winter and Spring 2019

Seminar and Conference Presentations

2025	Workshop ‘Public Health Interventions in the Long Run: Causes and Consequences’ Wageningen University
	Padova Applied Economic Workshop
2024	GGDC Conference, Groningen University
	Workshop on Institutions, Individual Behavior and Economic Outcomes, Alghero
2023	Institutions, Civil Society and Socio-Economic Prosperity workshop, Bocconi University
	Economic History Association meeting, Pittsburgh
	ASREC European Conference, Milano
2022	ASE Workshop - Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna

	Conference on States, Intermediate Institutions and Long-term Development - Utrecht University (Invited Discussant)
	EHES Conference - Groningen University
	EHS Conference - Cambridge University
	Departmental Seminar - University of Bergamo
2021	Arne Ryde Workshop on Institutions, Culture, and Development - Lund University
	Zurich Political Economy Seminar (virtual)
	University of California Irvine (virtual)
2020	Economic History Lunch, Northwestern University (virtual)
	Pegdech, Groningen University (virtual)
2019	Economic History Lunch, Northwestern University
	Groningen University
	Departmental Seminar - University of Cosenza
2018	Economic History Association meeting, Montreal
	North American Summer Meeting Econometric Society, Davis
	Development and Political Economics Brown Bag Workshop, Università Bocconi
	The Economics of Culture, Paris (Invited Discussant)
2017	Econometric Society Winter Meeting, Barcelona
	ASREC European Conference, Bologna
	Economic History Association meeting (Invited Discussant)
	ASREC Conference, Boston
	Political Economy Lunch, Harvard University
2016	Leitner Political Economy Seminar, Yale University
	Lacea Lames Meeting, Medellin
	Simposio de la Asociación Española de Economía, Bilbao (scheduled)
	Micro Theory Lunch, Yale University
	Development and Political Economics Brown Bag Workshop, Università Bocconi
2015	9th Workshop on Political Economy – Ifo Institute, Dresden
	EDGE Jamboree, Aix-Marseille University
	Oxford Development Economics Workshop, Oxford University
	Development and Political Economics Brown Bag Workshop, Università Bocconi
2011	NBER Conference, Università Bocconi

Teaching Qualification and Abilitazione

2023	Abilitazione scientifica nazionale alle funzioni di professore universitario di seconda fascia (D.D. 553/2021 come rettificato da D.D. 589/2021) per il settore concorsuale 13/A1
2021	University Teaching Qualification (BKO)

Teaching

Fall 2024	Approfondimenti di Economia Internazionale, instructor
	Economia, Istituzioni e Mercati, instructor
Spring 2024	Sviluppo dei Sistemi Economici e Sociali, instructor
Fall 2020	Research Papers for E&BE (Underg.), instructor and coordinator (since Fall 2021)
Fall 2019 -	Global Business History (Underg.), instructor and coordinator
	Institutions, Growth and Business (Underg.), instructor and coordinator
	Economic Growth in History (Grad.), instructor
	Empirical Research in BE (Underg.), instructor
Fall 2018	Political Economics Advanced (Grad.), instructor

Languages

English (Fluent), Italian (Native), Spanish (Intermediate)