

General information

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Nationality Albanian

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Research interests

Commuting and Travel behaviour; Composite index; Education; Equity and accessibility; Multidimensional well-being; Tourism.

Present positions

December 2024 – today

Assistant Professor in Economic Statistics (RTD-A) at the Department of Economics – DSE
University of Bergamo, Bergamo, Italy.

December 2025

Lecture of the course “Processing and visualisation of tourism data - ENG” (12 hours) at the
Department of Geography, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences – University of Prishtina,
Kosovo.

April 2025 – today

RUS member of the Mobility Working Group - Subgroup SG3 representing the University of
Bergamo.

March 2025 – today

Associate Editor for the journal of *Rivista di Economia e Politica dei Trasporti (REPoT)*.

December 2023 – today

Teaching expert (cultore della materia) in Macroeconomics at the Department of Economics
University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.

Past positions

June 2025 – October 2025

Scientific Research Analyst at the Department of Economics and Business Studies (DISEI), University of Piemonte Orientale, Novara, Italy

Project: *Inequalities Research* (Cariplo Foundation, ID: 2022-1548)

Scientific Coordinator: Prof. Francesco Figari

May 2024 – November 2024

Post-Doc Research Associate at the Department of Economics and Business Studies - DISEI University of Piemonte Orientale, Novara, Italy.

Research topic: *The impact of schools in reducing educational inequalities.*

Funding: Cariplo Foundation, ID: 2022-1548. Total grant: 187,200€

P.I. Prof. Francesco Figari and Tutor: Prof. Giorgia Casalone.

Cod. SSD: ECON-03/A Scienza delle Finanze - ECON-02/A Politica Economica

1st of May 2023 30th of April 2024

Research Associate at the Department of Sociology and Social Research University of Milano Bicocca, Milan, Italy.

Research topic: *Social investment policies for labour market inclusion: Milan and Amsterdam compared.*

Funding: Cariplo Foundation, ID: 2022-1301; 01/05/2023 - 30/04/2024; Total grant: 197,000€.

P.I.: Prof. Gemma Scalise.

Cod. SSD: GSPS-08/A Sociologia dei processi economici e del lavoro

Past appointments

2024: Data curation and harmonization of INVALSI microdata. Main activities: historical series reconstruction, dataset cleaning and merging, and final construction of harmonized datasets (2020/21–2022/23) based on shared variables. Additional tasks included local data collection design through questionnaires within the MultiLocal (Multi dimensional inequality and optimisation) project, aimed at integrating national datasets with local-level information from the province of Novara.

2022: Data collection and curation from different source (e.g., EU-SILC, EU-LFS, ILO, StatLine-CBS, Istat). Main activities: data collections and curation, developing of a composite indicator, and analysis of economic statistics at the Department of Sociology and Social Research – University of Milano Bicocca, Milan, Italy.

2021: Data curation and cleaning of University Mobility Survey - Rete delle Università per lo Sviluppo Sostenibile, RUS. Main activities: data cleaning and harmonization of National dataset of the University Mobility Survey (about 114,000 observations).

2020: Data curation and harmonization of Italian panel data (2002 – 2018) at a provincial level (NUTS 3) at the Department of Economics Management and Statistics – University of Milano Bicocca, Milan, Italy. Scientific Coordinator: Prof. Alessandra Michelangeli (Call 20CE248).

Teaching experience

2025 – 2026

- **Lecture of the course “Statistics for Accounting - ENG”** (36 hours) at the Department of Management - University of Bergamo, Bergamo, Italy.
- **Lecture of the course “Statistica Aziendale Avanzata - ITA”** (16 hours) at the Department of Management - University of Bergamo, Bergamo, Italy.
- **Lecture of the course “CSR for Management and Marketing - ENG”** (8 hours) at the Department of Management - University of Bergamo, Bergamo, Italy.
- **Lecture of the course “Transport Decision Making and Sustainability – ENG” - *PhD in Methods and Models for Economic Decisions*** (3 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.
- **Lecture of the course “Processing and visualisation of tourism data - ENG”** (12 hours) at the Department of Geography, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences – University of Prishtina, Kosovo.
- **Tutoring and teaching assistance of the course “Statistics - ITA”** (18 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.

2024 – 2025

- **Lecture of the course “Statistics for Accounting - ENG”** (36 hours) at the Department of Management - University of Bergamo, Bergamo, Italy.
- **Lecture of the course “Statistica Aziendale Avanzata - ITA”** (16 hours) at the Department of Management - University of Bergamo, Bergamo, Italy.
- **Lecture of the course “CSR for Management and Marketing - ENG”** (8 hours) at the Department of Management - University of Bergamo, Bergamo, Italy.
- **Tutoring and teaching assistance of the course “Text Mining and Sentiment Analysis - ENG”** (12 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Bergamo, Bergamo, Italy.
- **Tutoring and teaching assistance of the course “Statistics - ITA”** (36 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.

2023 – 2024

- **Teaching assistant in Microeconomics - ITA** (18 hours) at the Department of Economics University of Insubria, Varese, Italy
- **Teaching assistant in Macroeconomics – ITA** (18 hours) at the Department of Economics University of Insubria, Varese, Italy

2022 – 2023

- **Lecture of the course “Transport Economics & Innovation – ENG” - *PhD in Methods and Models for Economic Decisions*** (3 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.
- **Tutoring and teaching assistance in Political Economy – ITA** (100 hours) at the Department of Law, Economics and Cultures - University of Insubria, Como, Italy.
- **Tutoring and teaching assistance in action K – ITA** (80 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Como and Varese, Italy.
- **Tutoring and teaching assistance in Business Management – ITA** (60 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.
- **Tutoring and teaching assistance in Mathematics and Statistics – ITA** (50 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.
- **Tutoring and teaching assistance in Economics – ITA** (40 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.

2021 – 2022

- **Tutoring and teaching assistance in Mathematics and Statistics – ITA** (60 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.
- **Tutoring and teaching assistance in Economics – ITA** (20 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.

2020 – 2021

- **Tutoring activities in Mathematics and Statistics – ITA** (25 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.
- **Tutoring activities in Mathematics – ITA** (20 hours) at the Department of Economics - University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.

Education

2020 – 2024: PhD in Methods and Models for Economic Decisions – Cycle XXXVI

Department of Economics – University of Insubria, Varese, Italy.

Thesis: *Investigating Accessibility to Higher Education: Empirical Essays on Scholarships Eligibility and Commuting Behaviour*

Supervisor: Prof. Chiara Gigliarano and Prof. Elena Maggi.

Passed final examination on April 11, 2024, with excellent rating (Italian grade: Ottimo)

2022 – 2023: PhD Visiting period (six months)

Centre for Transport & Society - University of the West of England, Bristol, UK.

Advisor: Prof. Kiron Chatterjee, Dr. Ben Clark.

2017 – 2020: M.Sc. in Statistical and Economic Sciences (LM 82 Statistical Science)

Department of Economics Management and Statistics (DEMS) - University of Milano Bicocca, Milan, Italy.

Thesis: *Assessing Edison's investment Choices with the Real Option Method.*

Supervisor: Prof. Alessandra Michelangeli;

Co-supervisor: Dr. Murad Harasheh.

2019: Erasmus Traineeship (two months)

ESSEC Business School – Paris.

Advisor: Prof. Jocelyn Martel.

2014 – 2017: B.Sc. in Finance, Insurance and Enterprise (L 41 Statistics)

Department of Statistics, Economics and Management - University of Bologna.

Thesis: *Individual savings plans offered by Mediolanum and Intesa SanPaolo.*

Supervisor: Prof. Claudio Travaglini.

Course and Summer School

- Summer School: course “Panel Data Econometrics: Theory and Applications” - Società Italiana di Econometria (SIdE) in Bertinoro, Italy (2024)
- Advanced course and laboratory of analysis in Public Policy Evaluation at the Department of Economics, Management and Business Law – University of Bari “Aldo Moro”, Bari, Italy. (2022)

Languages & IT Skills

Albanian and Italian – Native; English – Fluent; French - Elementary.

Professional knowledge of STATA, MS Office (Excel, Word, Power Point).

Academic use of statistical software: R studio, SAS Studio, Gretl, SPSS, E-views, Matlab, LaTeX, WordPress.

Awards and participation in funded projects

20th September 2024 SIET Conference **Best Doctoral Thesis Award**. Title: *Investigating Accessibility to Higher Education: Empirical Essays on Scholarships Eligibility and Commuting Behaviour*

2nd May 2024 – 30th April 2025, Cariplo Foundation: *The impact of schools in reducing educational inequalities*. **Cariplo Project ID: 2022-1548**

2024 Selected as candidate for the **SIE (Società Italiana di Economia) Prize for the best PhD theses** in the field of economics (XXIV Edition)

1st May 2023 – 30th April 2024, Cariplo Foundation: CITILab Project (*Compound inequalities and labour market outsiders. The social investment policy agenda to empower the long-term unemployed, disabled people and working women*). **Cariplo Project ID: 2022-1301**

9th September 2022 SIET Conference **Best Paper Award**. Title: *Promoting commute active modes during the Covid-19 pandemic. What is the role of multimodal travel mode choices?*

1st June 2021 – 31st December 2022, Cariplo Foundation: *Post-COVID: poverty and vulnerability scenarios in the era of covid-19. how the pandemic is affecting the well-being of the Italians*. **Cariplo Project ID: 2020-4216**

Publications and working papers

Class A journals (ANVUR rating, area 13)

- Myftiu, J., & Scalise, G. (2025). *Unveiling subnational social investment: A composite indicators approach*. *Regional Studies*, 59(1), Article 2527306.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/00343404.2025.2527306>
- Myftiu, J., Gigliarano, C., Maggi, E., Scagni, A. (2024). *University Commuting During the COVID-19 Pandemic. Changes in Travel Behaviour and Mode Preferences*. *Research in Transportation Business & Management*. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rtbm.2023.101091>
- Famà, A., Myftiu, J., Pagnottoni, P., Spelta, A. (2024). *Explainable Machine Learning for Financial Risk Management: Two Practical Use Cases*. *Statistics* 58 (5), 1267-1282
<https://doi.org/10.1080/02331888.2024.2401078>

Scientific journals (ANVUR rating, area 13)

- Myftiu, J. (in press). *When routines break: Understanding the resilience of commuting behaviour after a mobility shock*. *European Transport / Trasporti Europei*.
- Myftiu, J., Crotti, D., & Maggi, E. (2025). *Favorire la mobilità ciclabile nelle università italiane: analisi sulle motivazioni pro-ecologiche*. *Rivista di Economia e Politica dei Trasporti*, 2025(4), Paper 1. ISSN 2282-6599. <http://www.sietitalia.org/sito%20REPT/iniziale.htm>
- Crotti, D., & Myftiu, J. (2025). *Sostenibilità turistica dei mercati pubblici e percezione dei residenti: il ruolo dei trasporti in un'analisi a classi latenti*. *Rivista di Economia e Politica dei Trasporti*, 2025(4), Paper 2. ISSN 2282-6599. <http://www.sietitalia.org/sito%20REPT/iniziale.htm>
- Myftiu, J. (2022). *Promoting commute active modes during the Covid-19 pandemic. What is the role of multimodal travel mode choices?* *Rivista Italiana di Economia, Demografia e Statistica (RIEDS)*, 77(4): 73-84.

Other publication

- Myftiu, J. (2024). *Investigating Accessibility to Higher Education: Empirical Essays on Scholarships Eligibility and Commuting Behaviour*. PhD Dissertation in Methods and Models for Economic Decisions – Cycle XXXVI. Department of Economics, University of Insubria.

Working papers (available online with ISSN)

- Myftiu, J., Crotti, D., & Maggi, E. (2025). *Road safety in urban sustainable cycling tourism: An application of the Protection Motivation Theory* (FEEM Working Paper No. 24.2025). Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei. <https://www.feem.it/publications/road-safety-in-urban-sustainable-cycling-tourism-an-application-of-the-protection-motivation-theory/>

Casalone, G., Michelangeli, A., Myftiu, J. (2025). Leaving Home for University or Commuting? The Impact of Relocation Scholarships on Academic Progression (November 21, 2025). University of Milan Bicocca Department of Economics, Management and Statistics Working Paper No. 563, Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=5782525> or <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.5782525> (also available in the Dondena working papers)

Casalone, G., Myftiu, J. (2025). Unpacking School Leadership Activism: Evidence from INVALSI Data (November 07, 2025). Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=5732265> or <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.5732265>

Bertazzoni, P., Bianchi, A., Myftiu, J. (2025). Mapping Work Flexibility in Europe: A Multidimensional Assessment (February 28, 2025). Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=5732243> or <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.5732243>

Conferences and workshops presentation

2025: 10th INVALSI Seminar, Rome (Italy) 19th – 22nd Oct.; 66th *SIE Conference - Italian Economic Society*, Naples (Italy), 23rd – 25th Oct.; *NECTAR Cluster 5 Conference*, Kyoto (Japan), 7th – 8th Oct.; 37th *SIEP Conference - Italian Society of Public Economics*, Naples (Italy), 18th – 19th Sept.; *NECTAR Cluster 5 Conference*, Como (Italy), 10nd – 11th Sept.; 27th *SIET Conference – Italian Association of Transport Economics and Logistics*, Monopoli (Italy), 8th – 9th Sept.; 64th *ERSA Congress - European Regional Science Association*, Athens, (Greece), 26th – 29th Aug; *SIS Conference – Italian Statistical Society*, Genoa (Italy), 16th – 18th June; 61st *SIEDS Conference – Italian Society of Economics Demography and Statistics*, Rome (Italy), 28th – 30th May.

2024: 26th *SIET Conference – Italian Association of Transport Economics and Logistics*, Trieste (Italy), 18th – 20th Sept.; *NECTAR Conference*, Brussels (Belgium), 2nd Jul. – 5th Jul.; 10th *International ASTMed conference*, Bertinoro (Italy), 19th Jun. – 21st Jun.; 8th *SISEC Conference Italian Society of Economic Sociology*, Cagliari (Italy), 31st Jan. – 3rd Feb. 60th *SIEDS Conference – Italian Society of Economics Demography and Statistics*, Milan and Castellanza (Italy), 22nd – 24th May.

2023: 15th *SISTUR Conference Italian Association of Tourism Sciences*, Taormina (Italy), 16th – 18th Nov.; 16th *ESPAnet Italia* Milan (Italy), 13th – 15th Sept.; 62st *ERSA Congress – European Regional Science Association*, Alicante (Spain), 28th Aug. – 1st Sept.; 25th *SIET Conference – Italian Association of Transport Economics and Logistics*, Trieste (Italy), 22nd - 23rd Jun.; 59th *SIEDS Conference – Italian Society of Economics Demography and Statistics*, Naples (Italy), 25th – 26th May.

2022: 61st *ERSA Congress – European Regional Science Association*, Pécs (Hungary), 22 - 26 Aug.; 43rd *AISRe Conference – Italian Association of Regional Sciences*, Milan (Italy), 5 – 7 Sept.; 24th *SIET Conference – Italian Association of Transport Economics and Logistics*, Varese (Italy), 8 - 9 Sept.; 58th *SIEDS Conference – Italian Society of Economics Demography and Statistics*, Palermo (Italy), 26th – 27th May.

Conferences organization

2025: Co-convenor of the 64th ERSA Congress - European Regional Science Association, Athens, (Greece), 26 - 29 Aug.

2024: Co-organizer of the 26th Conference of the Italian Association of Transport Economics and Logistics (SIET), Milan (Italy), 19 – 20 Sept.

2023: Co-organizer of the Annual Workshop of the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies in Economics, Psychology and Social Sciences (CISEPS), Milano (Italy), 14th April.

2022: Co-organizer of the 24th Conference of the Italian Association of Transport Economics and Logistics (SIET), Varese (Italy), 8 – 9 Sept.

Varese, 27/11/2025

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