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Academic Positions

Assistant Professor (RTD-A), University of Bergamo, Department of Economics, Italy	since 2023
Postdoctoral Researcher, IMT School for Advanced Studies, AXES Unit, Italy	2021–2023
Marie Skłodowska Curie Fellow, University of Trento, Department of Economics, Italy	2019–2021
Postdoctoral Associate, University of Rochester, Wallis Institute of Political Economy, USA	2018/19

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Essex, UK	2018
M.Sc. in Economics, University of Essex, UK	2014
M.Sc. in Economics, University of Modena (2-years program), Italy	2012
B.A. in Business Economics, University of Modena, Italy	2010

Research Interests

Microeconomics, information economics, political economy, industrial organization

Publications

- “Welfare and competition in expert advice markets,” (joint with Andrea Albertazzi and Matteo Ploner) **Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization**, 2024, 219, 74–103. DOI: [10.1016/j.jebo.2024.01.011](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jebo.2024.01.011)
- “Competition in costly talk,” **Journal of Economic Theory**, 2023, 213, 105740. DOI: [10.1016/j.jet.2023.105740](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jet.2023.105740)
- “Influential news and policy-making,” **Economic Theory**, 2023, 76(4), 1363–1418. DOI: [10.1007/s00199-023-01499-9](https://doi.org/10.1007/s00199-023-01499-9)

Work in Progress

- “Efficient communication in organizations.” Repository: arXiv. ISSN: 2331-8422. DOI: [10.48550/arxiv.2211.13605](https://doi.org/10.48550/arxiv.2211.13605)
- Direct competition in the news market (joint with Bianca Sanesi)
- Political accountability with bureaucratic interference (joint with Christos Mavridis and Simon Lodato)
- R&D with patent pooling (joint with Salvatore Piccolo and Pekka Sääskilähti)

Doctoral Dissertation

“The Political Economy of Strategic Communication.” Essex Open Access Research Repository. DOI: 10.5526/krdq-s273.

Research Visits

University of Bristol, School of Economics (~1 week)	Feb 2023
Bocconi University, IGIER (~2 weeks)	Sept 2019
European University Institute, Department of Economics (~2 months)	Feb-Apr 2017
University of Bonn, Bonn Graduate School of Economics (~1 month)	Jan 2017

Scholarships, Grants, and Awards

Marie Skłodowska Curie Individual Fellowship, as the principal investigator	2019-2021
– Grant ID: H2020-MSCA-IF-2018, Grant 843315-PEMB (171,473€)	
– Grant webpage: https://www.fvaccari.com/pemb	
ESRC “Overseas Institutional Visit” for visiting the European University Institute	2017
Manlio Resta Prize 2014, Honorable Mention for “ <i>The Size of the Supply Side</i> ”	2015
Department of Economics Prize for Best M.Sc. Performance, University of Essex	2014
UniMoRe 2011/2012, Thesis Merit Prize, University of Modena	2014
ESRC Studentship, 1+3 DTC Essex	2013
UniMoRe 2010/2011, Student Merit Prize, University of Modena	2013

Teaching

University of Bergamo, Department of Economics (<i>scheduled</i>)	
Principles of Economics (Undergrad., in Italian), [72 hours]	2024
IMT School for Advanced Studies, AXES Unit	
Information Economics (Ph.D. course), [10 hours + 10 hours]. Evaluation: [link]	2022, 2023
University of Rochester, Department of Economics	
ECO251 – Industrial Organization (Undergrad.), [40 hours]. Evaluation: 4.4/5 ($n = 21$) [link]	2019
Assistant Lecturer, University of Essex, Department of Economics	
Overall evaluation: 4.24/5 ($n = 25$) [link]	
EC114 – Introduction to Quantitative Economics (Undergraduate, Fall–Spring) [40 hours]	2017/8
EC202 – Intermediate Microeconomics (Undergraduate, Fall–Spring) [40+40 hours]	2015/6, 2017/8
EC251 – Mathematical Methods in Economics (Undergraduate, Fall) [20+20 hours]	2016, 2017

Seminar, Conference, and Workshop Presentations

(scheduled) Bocconi University – Junior Theory Workshop	2024
6th Bergamo Workshop in Industrial Organization	2023
GRASS XVII, Social Choice Research Group	
IMT School for Advanced Studies – Aperitalk seminar series	
OLIGO Workshop, University of Padova	
University of Chieti-Pescara	
LUISS – Spring Workshop on Economic Theory	
Young Economists of Tuscan Institutions (YETI) Meeting	2022
Formal Theory Virtual Workshop, American Political Science Association	
17th European Meeting on Game Theory	
12th Conference on Economic Design, University of Padova	
Royal Economic Society, Annual Meeting	
IMT School for Advanced Studies	
European Winter Meetings of the Econometric Society	2021
Centre for Studies in Economics and Finance (CSEF)	
University of Florence, Department of Economic and Business Sciences (DISEI)	
Italian Economic Association, 62nd Annual Conference	
Young Economists of Tuscan Institutions (YETI) Meeting	
GRASS XV, Social Choice Research Group	
GAMES2020, the 6th World Congress of the Game Theory Society	
Collegio Carlo Alberto	
Bonn Graduate School of Economics, Brown Bag Seminar Series	
Cognitive and Experimental Economics Laboratory, University of Trento	
Royal Economic Society Annual Conference	
Formal Theory Virtual Workshop, American Political Science Association	
Italian Economic Association, 61st Annual Conference	2020
GRASS XIV, Social Choice Research Group	
ESWC2020, the 12th World Congress of the Econometric Society	
Formal Theory Virtual Workshop, American Political Science Association	
Conference on Mechanism and Institution Design	
University of Rochester, Department of Economics	2019
New York University, 10th Annual LSE-NYU Conference	
University of Rochester, W. Allen Wallis Institute of Political Economy	2018
IX Workshop on Institution, Individual Behavior and Economic Outcomes (IBEO)	
Royal Economic Society Junior Symposium, University of Sussex	

IV International PhD Conference, University of Leicester
 University of Essex, Department of Economics, Research Strategy Seminar (RSS)

As a discussant

OLIGO Workshop, Padova	2023
Italian Economic Association, 62nd Annual Conference	2021
GRASS XV, Social Choice Research Group	
Italian Economic Association, 61st Annual Conference	2020
Royal Economic Society Junior Symposium, University of Sussex	2018

Organized Workshops

TWINE, the “Trento Workshop on Information Economics”	2021
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Refereeing

B.E. Journal of Theoretical Economics, Economics, Games and Economic Behavior, Journal of Economic Theory, Manchester School, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Review of Economic Studies, Theory and Decision

University Service

TOLC commissioner, University of Bergamo	2023
Member of the selection committee, IMT School for Advanced Studies	2022

Additional Information

Teaching qualification: Associate Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (now, Advance HE), PR108557

Computational skills: Python, Mathematica (beginner)

“Equipollenza dottorato estero” (equipollence) obtained on 22 April 2022

On the media: [Analysis and criticism of fake news laws \(Italian and English\)](#) – UniTrentoMag

[Media bias in a competitive news culture \(in six languages\)](#) – CORDIS

[The challenges of regulating disinformation \(in English\)](#) – ProMarket