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CURRENT POSITION

2021 - present:

Associate professor, Department of Economics, Università degli Studi dell'Insubria

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

November 2020:

Habilitation (*Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale*) as Associate Professor of Economics (*Economia Politica 13/A1*)

July 2018:

Habilitation (*Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale*) as Associate Professor of Public Economics (*Scienza delle Finanze 13/A3*)

PAST POSITIONS

2018 - 2021:

Tenure-track assistant professor (*RTD-b*), Department of Economics, Università degli Studi dell'Insubria

2012 - 2018:

Post-doctoral research fellow (*Assegno di ricerca*), Department of Economics, Management and Statistics (DEMS), Università degli Studi di Milano-Bicocca (*maternity leave: 18.12.2017-27.09.2018*)

2011 - 2013:

Post-doctoral research fellow, Max Planck Institute of Economics (Strategic Interaction Group), Jena, Germany

EDUCATION

2005 - 2010:

Bocconi University

PhD in Economics

Thesis title: "*How Cognitive Limitations and Behavioral Traits Affect Stable Economic Outcomes*", Advisor: Prof. Pierpaolo Battigalli

2004 - 2005:

Université Catholique de Louvain
MA in Economics

1998 - 2004:

Bocconi University
BA in 'Discipline Economiche e Sociali'

RESEARCH FIELDS

Behavioral and experimental economics, game theory, applied microeconomic theory, public economics

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2018:

AMGA Foundation research grant, Behavioral analysis of energy markets

2015 - 2016:

EIEF 2014 research grant, Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance, one-year project on *Mis-Judging Merit* (P.I.; other team member: Luca Stanca)

2005 - 2008:

Bocconi University, PhD Scholarship

2008 - 2009:

Bocconi University, PhD Continuation Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

The Centipede Game, in In B. Kebede (Ed.) *Encyclopedia of Experimental Social Science*. **Elgar Encyclopedias in the Social Sciences**. Edward Elgar Publishing, forthcoming 2026.

Mis-judging merit: the effects of adjudication errors in contests (with Luca Stanca), **Experimental Economics**, 2023, vol. 26(3), pp.550-587

Frustration and anger in the Ultimatum Game: An experiment (with Chiara Aina and Pierpabolo Battigalli), **Games and Economic Behavior**, 2020, vol. 122, p. 150-167

Preferences-dependent learning in the centipede game: The persistence of mistrust (with Tobias Regner), **European Economic Review**, 2019, vol. 120, p. 1-30

Corruption, organized crime and the bright side of subversion of law (with Giovanni Immordino and Salvatore Piccolo), **Journal of Public Economics**, 2018, vol. 159, p. 79-88

Social Comparison and Risk Taking Behavior (with Elena Manzoni and Luca Stanca), **Theory and Decision**, 2017, vol. 82, p. 221-248

Learning and Evolution of Altruistic Preferences in the Centipede Game, **Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization**, 2013, vol. 85, p. 112-117

Sorting, social comparison and women's job satisfaction (with Margherita Agnoletto e Lorenzo Cappellari), **Rivista Internazionale di Scienze sociali**, 2020, vol. 1, p. 51-66

Consumer inertia in energy markets: Insights from behavioral economics (with Anna Bottasso) **Economia Pubblica**, 2019, vol. 3, p. 113-130

WORK IN PROGRESS

Moral regulation in sequential decisions: An experimental study (with Umberto Galmarini and Ibai Martinez Macias)

An experimental investigation on intentionality and proportionality biases in conspiracy beliefs (with Lorenzo Gagliardi)

The effects of information and default nudges on sustainable choices: Evidence from an experimental study (with Elisa Pontivi)

Binary Cursed Equilibrium

Collusive Criminal Behavior and Social Enforcement: An Experiment (with Ken Boun My and Valentina Rotondi)

INVITED SEMINARS

Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory (SAET) Ischia, July 2019

University of Milan, January 2018

University of Lund, Lund, Sweden, October 2014

Center for Mathematical Economics (IMW), Bielefeld, November 2013

Workshop *Game Theory at the Universities of Milano III*, Politecnico, Milan, May 2013

Department of Economics, University of Milano-Bicocca, Milan, March 2012

Max Planck Institute of Economics Jena, December 2010

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2018: *Experimental Economics Workshop, University of Bologna*

2017: *SIEP XXIX Conference; XI GRASS Workshop Bocconi University; Economic Science Association European Conference, University of Vienna; Workshop on Psychological Game Theory University of East Anglia*

2016: *X GRASS Workshop New York University; Third Workshop on the Economics of the Organized Crime University of Bergamo; Contests: Theory and Evidence Conference, University of East Anglia; Third International Meeting on Experimental and Behavioral Social Sciences (IMEBESS), LUISS*

2015: *Economic Science Association European Conference, University of Heidelberg*

2014: *Economic Science Association European Conference, University of Prague; First International Meeting on Experimental and Behavioral Social Sciences (IMEBESS), Nuffield Centre for Experimental Social Sciences, Oxford*

2013: *Thurgau Experimental Economic Meeting (THEEM), University of Thurgau*

2012: *UECE Meetings in Game Theory and Applications, University of Lisbon; Economic Science Association European Conference, University of Cologne*

2011: *Annual International Meeting of the Economic Science Association, University of Chicago*

2009: *EDGE Jamboree, University Aix-en-Provence, 24th Meeting of the European Economic Association, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona; Italian Doctoral Workshop in Economics and Policy Analysis, Collegio Carlo Alberto; WISE, 6th Workshop for Italian PhD Students in Economics, CSEF Salerno*

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee for: *Journal of the European Economic Association, Games and Economic Behavior, European Economic Review, Experimental Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Theory and Decision, The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Review of Income and Wealth, Journal of Economic Psychology, Economic Inquiry*

2023 - present: Member of “Comitato per le Ricerche con Dati sull’Individuo”, University of Verona

2022 - present: Review Editor for *Frontiers in Behavioral Economics*

2016 - 2018: External ethical reviewer for the Nuffield Centre for Experimental Social Sciences (CESS), University of Oxford (review of ethics applications for experiments, experimental design and analysis plans)

2017 - 2018: Organizer of the DEMS Research Lunch Seminars, University of Milano-Bicocca

2020 - present: Organizer of the Economics Online Seminars, Università degli Studi dell’Insubria Varese-Como

2017 - present: Member of the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies in Economics, Psychology and Social Science, University of Milano-Bicocca

2018: Consultant for an experimental analysis in behavioral finance, University of Genova and University of Nice Sophia Antipolis

TEACHING

Università degli Studi dell'Insubria Varese-Como, academic years 2025-2026

Lecturer, Industrial Organization (Undergraduate)

Università degli Studi dell'Insubria Varese-Como, academic year 2024-2026

Lecturer, Behavioral and Experimental Economics (*Master*)

Università degli Studi dell'Insubria Varese-Como, academic years 2018-2026

Lecturer, Microeconomics (Undergraduate)

Università degli Studi dell'Insubria Varese-Como, academic years 2018-2022

Lecturer, Behavioral Economics (*PhD*)

Catholic University of Milan, academic year 2017-2018, 2018-2019

Lecturer, Behavioral Economics (*PhD*)

Catholic University of Milan, academic years 2016-2017, 2017-2018

Teaching Assistant, Contract Theory (*PhD*)

University of Milano-Bicocca, 2012-2017

Teaching Assistant, Microeconomics I (*Undergraduate*)

Bocconi University, academic years 2009-2010 and 2010-2011

Teaching Assistant, Microeconomics I (*Undergraduate*)

Bocconi University, academic year 2008-2009 and 2007-2008

Teaching Assistant, Game Theory-Analysis of Strategic Thinking (*Master*)

Bocconi University, academic year 2007-2008

Teaching Assistant, Microeconomics III (*PhD*)

Bocconi University, academic year 2007-2008

Teaching Assistant, Microeconomics II (*Undergraduate*)

ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES

2023 - present: Scientific Director of the Insubria Experimental Economics (InExEc) Research Center (Università degli Studi dell'Insubria Varese-Como)

2019 - present: Member of the board of the Phd in Methods and Models for Economic Decisions (Università degli Studi dell'Insubria Varese-Como)

2020 - present: Member of the "Commission for the Assurance of Research Quality" (AiQuaR), Department of Economics, Università degli Studi dell'Insubria Varese-Como