

# Nico Rosamilia

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I combine a strong aptitude for analysis, modeling, and critical thinking with proven leadership. I excel in guiding teams, efficiently communicating concepts orally and in writing, and collaborating with C-suite executives. My research and expertise focus on portfolio optimization with a strategic emphasis on return maximization and cost minimization, price forecasting, risk management, and private equity

**Ph.D. in Finance**, *Politecnico di Milano School of Management*

2024

## Awards

Recipient of the EU grant [National Operational Programme on Research and Innovation](#)

2021/24

## Research and Teaching

Asset pricing, corporate finance, risk management, climate finance, macroeconomics, machine learning

## Experience

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**Investment Analyst**, *GMA International Services, Inc.*

Davie FL, US - 2024

Conduct company valuations and recommend strategic acquisitions to drive growth. Oversee investment and acquisition brokering, including identifying targets, structuring deals, and negotiating terms. Provide strategic insights and market intelligence to support informed decision-making and maximize value creation

**AMBassadors for sustainable transITION**

2023/24

[AMBITION](#): towards the sustainable transition in Europe and Africa

Kenya & The Netherlands

Lead energy and cross-sectoral modeling to support sustainable transitions. Oversee just sustainability practices and resilience strategies, and perform life cycle sustainability assessments to evaluate impacts. Advocate for sustainable practices and drive initiatives for long-term environmental goals and resilience

**ESG Advisor**, *Intellico*

Milan, IT - 2021/24

Evaluate the impact of ESG disclosures on accounting and market performance. Engage with managers of private firms to provide insights and guidance on financial and non-financial disclosure practices, helping to enhance transparency and performance metrics while minimizing costs. Article: [AI and ESG](#)

**Financial Quantitative Researcher**, *European Regional Development Fund*

EU & Italy - 2021/24

Develop and implement advanced methodologies for assessing SMEs' financial and sustainable scores. Analyze climate change's impact on these enterprises, including their adaptation strategies and resilience. Utilize quantitative models to evaluate risk and performance metrics, integrating financial data with environmental factors to provide actionable insights and support sustainable business practices

**Graduate Student Supervisor**, *Politecnico di Milano*

Milan, IT - 2021/24

Department of Mathematics: provide guidance on research topics, methodologies, and timelines. Manage the progress of students' work, offer feedback, and assist in preparing thesis documents (joint with Marazzina, D.)  
Department of Management Engineering: mentoring and supervising master thesis students, creating research ideas, and implementing empirical strategies

**Management Consultant**, *SVS Marketing*

Toronto, CA - 2017/18

Collaborate on marketing campaigns and conduct market research to identify potential customers and opportunities. Analyze industry trends and competitive dynamics to provide strategic recommendations that enhance marketing efforts and drive business growth

**Sales Manager**, *David Youngson and Associates*

Toronto, CA - 2016/17

Lead and manage a team of salespeople at trade shows and sales events. Oversee sales strategies, coordinate team activities, and ensure effective product presentation. Support team members, monitor performance, and drive efforts to meet sales targets

**Forex Analyst**, *Banca IMI - Be Shaping the Future*

Milan, IT 2015/16

Analyze currency markets and ensure timely and accurate execution of currency trades and risk management strategies. Interpret data flow from the market to the trading platform, focusing on processing information for effective hedging operations

## Education

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**Visiting Researcher**

*ALBA Graduate Business School, The American College of Greece*  
*University of Queensland*

Athens, GR - 2024  
Brisbane, AU - 2023

M.A. in Economics, *CERGE-EI*

Chartered by the New York State Board of Regents, The University of the State of New York

2019/21

Prague, CZ

Researcher, *University of Rijeka*

Supervisors: Saša Drezgić, Igor Cvečić. Mentor: Helena Blažić

2018/19

Rijeka, HR

M.Sc. in Management Engineering, *Politecnico di Milano*

Milan, IT - 2013/15

B.Sc. in Management Engineering, *University of Naples Federico II*

Naples, IT - 2010/13

## Research papers

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### Profit or Planet? Both! ESG Drivers of Efficient Portfolios and the Costs of Disclosure

Short Abstract: customizing a Random Forest algo, I create efficient sustainable portfolios through best-performing stocks selection and identify material ESG indicators in 5 global markets

### No Gambling Here! A New Comprehensive Risk Index

Short Abstract: I combine financial, macroeconomic, and ESG variables into a synthetic measure representing risk with an unsupervised neural network that overcomes linearity

### What's News with You: Price Forecasting and Sentiment Scores (*joint work with Leone, F., Marazzina, D.*)

Short Abstract: we show that deep learning models (N-HITS), when trained on sentiment data from news (with sentiment scores computed using RoBERTa), significantly outperform the baseline model in forecasting stock prices

### Secondary Market for Private Equity and Venture Capital

Short Abstract: discussing the role of PE and VC secondary markets, the type of assets (trophy or trouble) traded, the information asymmetries, and the pricing challenges

### Climate Risk and Brand Capital (*joint work with Giudici, G., Konstantios, D.*)

Short Abstract: we find that the value of a marginal dollar of cash on brand value is significantly lower in firms with high climate risk exposure compared to those with low exposure

### Climate Shocks and Corporate Resilience: Extreme Weather Events and EU Solidarity Funds for Adaptation and Mitigation

Short Abstract: the effect of various extreme weather events on firms' financial performance is comparable in magnitude. The European solidarity funds help in the first aftermath, not necessarily in resilience for future events

### Forecasting and Prediction: Bayesian Econometrics and Machine Learning

Short Abstract: Bayesian updating info and Machine Learning for prediction and forecasting in the equity market

### Should I Stay or Should I go? Transfers, Trade Gains, and Capital Accumulation in a Fiscal Union

Short Abstract: the incentive compatibility of the optimal fiscal union model for countries in the European Monetary Union, comparing the trade gains in the currency union with the transfers in the fiscal union

### Fiscal stimulus for EMU countries not meeting SGP criteria (*joint work with Cvečić, I., Drezgić, S.*)

Short Abstract: the effects of the 2010 dry-up in the credit supply for Italian non-financial firms on unemployment

## Courses

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Macroeconomic Forecasting and Analysis in the Machine Learning Era, Bank of Italy

Advanced Bayesian Econometrics: Bayesian Multivariate Models and Forecasting, Università Ca' Foscari

Panel Data Econometrics: Theory and Applications, Università di Bologna

Striving for Research Quality, Alma Mater Studiorum Bologna

Knowledge Dynamics, Industry Evolution, Economic Development, Université Cote D'Azur

It's Not About Teaching, It's About Learning, Università degli Studi di Bergamo

## Professional experience

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Member of the European Economic Association

Member of the AiIG - Italian Association of Management Engineering

Canadian Securities Institute, Moody's Analytics Training Certification Services

Regulatory requirement to perform securities and mutual fund transactions in many financial services positions

### Trading and Portfolio Management

Asset returns, OHLIC, and implied volatility. Forex market infrastructure, fixed, floating, managed (dirty) float regimes. Directional options trading strategies and usefulness filtering. Marginal benefits of options positioning

## International conferences

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**2023** XXXIV AiIG - Humanizing technologies for a better society, IAFDS - International Accounting & Finance Doctoral Symposium, ICEE - Tenth Italian Congress of Econometrics and Empirical Economics

**2022** EEA-ESEM - 37th European Economic Association and 74th European Econometric Society meetings, XXXIII AiIG - Redesigning networks and supply chains in times of transition, IAFDS - International Accounting & Finance Doctoral Symposium

**2019** DIGITOMICS - International Scientific Conference Economics of Digital Transformation

## Skills

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- Team leadership and personnel management
- Strategic selection of contracts and assets
- Business development and client relationship management
- Independent task management and multitasking under pressure
- Strategic communication and presentation
- Analytical problem-solving and decision-making
- Process improvement and troubleshooting with sound judgment
- Cross-functional collaboration and stakeholder engagement
- Project planning and execution from inception to completion

### Programming languages

Python, R, Matlab, Stata, Office, LaTeX. Electronic trading platforms

### Languages

English, Italian: Fluent

Croatian, Spanish: Basic

## Volunteer experience

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**Forum dei Giovani** 2010/16  
Youth association that organizes entertainment and cultural events

**ACR** 2005/10  
Association for children and teenagers organizing social events and charity initiatives

## References

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Professor <a href="#">Saša Drezgić</a> , <i>University of Rijeka</i>	Rijeka, HR
Professor <a href="#">Giancarlo Giudici</a> , <i>Politecnico di Milano School of Management</i>	Milan, IT
Professor <a href="#">David Hillier</a> , <i>Strathclyde Business School</i>	Glasgow, GB
Professor <a href="#">Paolo Zacchia</a> , <i>CERGE-EI</i>	Prague, CZ