# Dr. Sergio Lo Iacono

*Assistant Professor*                                      *Research Interests*

University of Essex (UK)                              Trust, Social Cohesion, Social networks, Diversity

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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| Present | **Assistant Professor**, Department of Sociology, University of Essex, UK. |
| 2021 – 2022 | **Post-doctoral researcher**, Department of Sociology, Umeå University, Sweden. |
| 2019 – 2021 | **Post-doctoral researcher**, Department of Sociology, Utrecht University, Netherlands. |
| 2017 – 2019 | **Max Weber fellow**, Department of Political and Social Sciences, European University Institute, Italy. |
| Spring 2016 | **Visiting researcher**, Department of Political Science, McGill University, Canada. |

## EDUCATION

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| 2018 | **PhD in Sociology**, University of Essex, UK. |
| 2012 | **MA in Political Science**, University of Toronto, Canada. |
| 2011 | **BA in International Relations**, University of Trieste, Italy. |

## PUBLICATIONS

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| 2022 | Sonmez, B., Lo Iacono, S., Other-regarding behaviors and attitudes towards asylum-seekers. *Socius,* DOI: https://doi.org/10.1177%2F23780231211073392 |
| 2021 | Lo Iacono, S., Buskens, V., Corten, R., Przepiorka, W., M., van de Rijt, A., COVID-19 vulnerability and perceived norm violations predict loss of social trust: a pre-post study. *Social Science & Medicine,* DOI: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2021.114513 |
| 2021 | Wu J., Számadó S., Barclay P., Beersma B., Dores Cruz T.D., Lo Iacono S., Nieper A.S., Peters K., Przepiorka W., Tiokhin L., Van Lange P.A., Honesty and dishonesty in gossip strategies: a fitness interdependence analysis. *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B,* DOI: https://doi.org/10.1098/rstb.2020.0300 |
| 2021 | Barradas, R., Lo Iacono S., Trust matters: cross-disciplinary essays. *Bloomsbury Academic Publishing*. Book |
| 2021 | Lo Iacono S., & Testori, M. Who are We Trusting? A Category-Based Formalisation of Trust. Trust Matters: Cross-Disciplinary Essays, 35. *Bloomsbury Academic Publishing*. Book Chapter |
| 2020 | Lo Iacono S., Sonmez B., The effect of trusting and trustworthy environments on the provision of public goods. *European Sociological Review,* DOI: https://doi.org/10.1093/esr/jcaa040 |
| 2019 | Lo Iacono S., Law-breaking, fairness, and generalized trust: the mediating role of trust in institutions. *PLOS One,* DOI: https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0220160 |
| 2019 | Lo Iacono S., & Quaranta M., Contextual economic conditions, institutions and social trust: trends and cross-national differences in Europe, 2002-2017.  DOI: https://www.rivisteweb.it/doi/10.1424/94245 |
| 2019 | Parra T. S., & Lo Iacono S., (Re) Productive discourses: media coverage of children born of war in Colombia. *Bulletin of Latin American Research*, DOI: https://doi.org/10.1111/blar.12976 |
| 2018 | Lo Iacono S., Demireva N., Return to foreign and host country qualifications: evidence from the US on the labour market placement of migrants and the second generation, *Social Inclusion,* DOI: https://doi.org/10.17645/si.v6i3.1509 |
| 2018 | Lo Iacono S., Does community embeddedness promote generalized trust? An experimental test of the spillover effect, *Social Science Research,* DOI: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssresearch.2018.03.001 |

## TEACHING

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| 2020 – 2021 | "Criminology and safety", "Introduction to the social sciences", and "Doing multidisciplinary research", Department of Sociology, Utrecht University, Netherlands. *MA & BA level* |
| 2018 – 2019 | "Foundations of social life: trust and trustworthiness", "Advanced research designs", Department of Political and Social Sciences, European University Institute, Italy. *PhD level* |
| 2016 – 2017 | "Researching social life I", Department of Sociology, University of Essex, UK. *BA level* |

## GRANTS & AWARDS

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| 2020 | BA/Leverhulme Small Research Grants, the British Academy. | £7,230 |
| 2020 | Data Science Project in FSW, Utrecht University. | 3-months Data Scientist |
| 2020 | IT Innovation Fund, Utrecht University. | €23,815 |
| 2020 | COVID-19 Fast Track Fund, Utrecht University. | €25,138 |
| 2019 | Seed Money Fund 12th round, Utrecht University. | €17,228 |
| 2018, 2016 | Seedcorn Funding ESSEXLab, University of Essex. | £4,500 |
| 2017, 2015 | Multidisciplinary & Collaborative funding, University of Essex. | £24,000 |
| 2016 | Overseas Institutional Visit to McGill University, ESRC. | £4,000 |
| 2013 – 2016 | ESRC DTC Award +3 Advanced Quantitative Methods, ESRC. | £64,878 |
| 2012 | Wanted the Best, University of Rome, La Sapienza. | €3,225 |

## CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- Organizer of the "Experimental Sociology" workshop 2nd edition at the University College London, Summer 2022.
- Organizer of the "Experimental Sociology" workshop 1st edition at the London School of Economics, Summer 2021.
- Organizer of the "Data collection using MTurk" workshop at the European University Institute, Spring 2018.
- Organizer of the "Trust Matters" workshop at the European University Institute, Spring 2018.

## MISCELLANOUS

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| Software | Stata, oTree, zTree, Mplus, Qualtrics, QGIS. |
| Languages | Italian (mother tongue), English (C2), French (B1). |

Ad-hoc Reviewer for the *British Journal of Political Science, European Sociological Review, Scientific Reports, PLOS One, Social Science Research, Population Studies,* and *Social Inclusion.*