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EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Researcher
International Relations and Data Science (IRDS) Group

03/2026 - Present
ETH Zürich, Switzerland

◦ Research on organized violence, norm diffusion, civilian agency, and gender-based violence using computational methods, causal inference, and fieldwork

Ph.D. in Economics
Department of Economics

09/2022 - 02/2026
Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy

◦ **Thesis:** "Essays on Political Economy: Elections, Conflict & Organized Crime"
◦ **Research Topics:** Political Economy, Conflict, Crime, Voting, Causal Inference, Policy Evaluation, Network Econometrics, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Deep Learning, Large Language Models
◦ **Teaching**: Causal Machine Learning (Lecturer, PhD), Microeconomics TA (Bachelor), Macroeconomics TA (Bachelor), Probability Theory and Statistics TA (PhD), "Economics of Risk and Agent Behavior" (Master)
◦ Supervisors: professors M. Di Cataldo and A. Brugiavini

Visiting Researcher
Center for Law, Data Science and Economics

09/2024 - 07/2025
ETH Zürich, Switzerland

◦ Visiting Ph.D. at ETH Zürich's Center for Law and Economics (professor Elliott Ash research group)
◦ Worked on projects on political economy, voting, and text-as-data methods
◦ Ongoing research projects on fine-tuning Large Language Models (LLMs) for post-OCR correction of the US Congressional Record and on ideal point estimation using Graph Neural Networks (GNNs)

Research Assistant
RA for professor G. Mastrobuoni (AI4MUSE Project)

04/2021 - 09/2022
Univerisity of Turin, Italy

◦ Developed AI models and Machine Learning algorithms to forecast the number of visitors in museums and cultural sites participating to the AI4MUSE project in real time
◦ Developed research in network econometrics to analyse peer effects in cultural consumption for museum card-holders
◦ Worked in outreach and communication activities for the AI4MUSE project, website and social media management
◦ Liaised with museums' administrators and curators to collect data and develop the project

Trainee
SG-ECON

10/2020 - 03/2021
European Investment Bank, Luxembourg

◦ Worked both in the context of productivity and firm level data (A. Brasili), Energy Economics and Climate Change (F. Kalantzis)
◦ Management of very large firm-level datasets, data collection and cleaning, web-scraping, data visualization, model validation, literature reviews, statistical and econometric analysis

EDUCATION

Collegio Carlo Alberto
09/2019 - 06/2020
M.A. Economics
Turin, Italy
◦ Relevant courses: Advanced Microeconomics, Advanced Game Theory, Macroeconometrics

Barcelona Graduate School of Economics
09/2018 - 07/2019
M.Sc. in International Trade, Finance and Development
Barcelona, Spain
◦ Thesis: "Going West: an Analysis on Migration Patterns and Its Determinants"
◦ Relevant courses: Economic Growth and Development, International Trade and Finance

Maastricht University
09/2014 - 06/2017
Bachelor in Economics & Business Economics
Maastricht, The Netherlands
◦ Thesis: "Trust, Herding Behavior and Financial Instability"
◦ Relevant courses: Microeconomics, Game Theory, Public Economics, Corporate Finance, Econometrics
◦ Erasmus Grant: Universidade Nova de Lisboa

PUBLICATIONS & WORKING PAPERS

[W] "One Person, One Vote: The Effect of Direct Elections on US Senators", with S. Galletta. Available at SSRN (2025)

[W] "Political Shocks, Extremism and Violence: Evidence from the West Bank".

[W] "Organized Crime and the Legal Economy: a Network Approach", with M. Billio, M. Di Cataldo, G. Mastrobuoni.

[W] "Together is Better: Peer Effects in Leisure Activities", with P. Accardo, G. Mastrobuoni

[R] European Investment Bank. (2021). Chapter 5. In *EIB Investment Report 2020/2021: Building a smart and Green Europe in the COVID-19 ERA*.

[R] Amati A., Dominguez S., Kalantzis F., (2021), "European firms and climate change 2020/2021", European Investment Bank

ONGOING PROJECTS

LLM Finetuning for Post OCR-Correction of the US Congressional Record
With S. Galletta and E. Ash (ETH Zürich)
Ideal Point Model: a GNN Approach
With A. Hoyle (ETH Zürich)

CONFERENCES

SIEP, Verona (September 2023); Ca' Foscari University of Venice (November 2023); EUI Econometrics Working Group, Florence (January 2024); ECPS, Vienna (April 2024); Ph.D Day, Venice (June 2024); Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin (December 2024); Brownbag Seminar, ETH Zürich (April 2025); Monash-Paris-Warwick-Zürich Text-as-Data Workshop (April 2025); SiDE ICEEE Conference Palermo (May 2025); EEA Conference, Bordeaux (August 2025)

SKILLS

- **Languages:** Italian (Native), English (Fluent), Spanish (Advanced), Portuguese (Basic User)
- **Programming:** Python (Excellent), Stata (Excellent), Latex (Excellent), R (Good), ArcGIS Pro (Good), QGIS (Good), Bash (Good), JavaScript(Basic User), MatLab (Basic User), HTML (Basic User)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Interests: Advanced Music Skills (Music Theory, Harmony, Advanced Guitar Player), Cinema, Literature, Politics