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Research Interests

A Computational Social Scientist with a background in Sociology.

Computational Social Science Social Network Analysis, Scientific Networks, Social Simulation, Text Analysis
Sociology and Demography Sociology of Science, Bibliometrics, Cyber Social Capital, Migration of Scholars

Education

Ph.D. of Economic Sociology

University of Milan

Milan, Italy

Awarded: Apr. 2019

- Thesis: A quantitative sociology of academic work in an era of hypercompetition and rankings (1, 2), Supervisor: Flaminio Squazzoni

Ph.D. of Sociology, Social Welfare

Allameh Tabataba'i University

Tehran, Iran

Awarded: Jun. 2017

- Thesis: Iranian's Cyber Social Capital: Background Factors and Outcome (1), Supervisor: Jafar Hezarjaribi

M.A. of Sociology

Tarbiat Modares University

Tehran, Iran

Awarded: Jun. 2011

- Thesis: A Social Network Analysis Study on Online Social Networks: Case study of Doreh and U24, Supervisor: Ali Saei

B.A. of Sociology, Social Research

Shiraz University

Shiraz, Iran

Awarded: Jun. 2008

- Thesis: Factors related with students commitment to university, Supervisor: Abdolali Lahsaeizadeh

Academic Positions

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research

Deputy Head for Training - Department of Digital and Computational Demography (DiCoDe)

Rostock, Germany

Sep. 2022 - present

Faculty Member - PhD program "International Max Planck Research School for Population, Health and Data Science" (IMPRS-PHDS)

May 2021 - present

Deputy Head - Laboratory of Migration and Mobility - DiCoDe

Nov. 2021 - Aug. 2022

Executive Committee Member - DiCoDe

Nov. 2021 - present

Seminar Series Chair - DiCoDe, Organized and chaired 18 weekly seminars, 14 with external invited speakers

Feb. 2022 - Aug. 2022

Responsible for local friend system - DiCoDe, supporting newcomers' settlement

Jan. 2022 - Jun. 2023

Research Scientist ([link](#))

Jan. 2021 - present

Robert K. Merton Center for Science Studies, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Affiliated Researcher ([link](#))

Berlin, Germany

Jan. 2024 - present

German Centre for Higher Education Research and Science Studies (DZHW)

Postdoctoral Researcher

Berlin, Germany

Sep. 2018 - Jan. 2021

University of Brescia

Researcher - Research Group on Experimental and Computational Sociology ([link](#))

Brescia, Italy

Sep. 2016 - Aug. 2018

Yazd University

Adjunct Professor

Yazd, Iran

Sep. 2013 - Jun. 2014

University of Applied Science and Technology

Adjunct Professor

Tehran, Iran

Sep. 2012 - Jun. 2013

Research Stays

University College Dublin

Visiting Researcher - Geary Institute

Dublin, Ireland

Apr. 2018 - Jun. 2018

Leiden University

Visiting Researcher - Centre for Science and Technology Studies (CWTS)

Leiden, the Netherlands

Feb. 2018 - Apr. 2018

Third-Party Grants, Placements, and Scholarships

2023	W1 (assistant professorship) , University of Koblenz Outcome: 3rd place on the final hiring list i.e., evaluated as qualified for the position	Koblenz, Germany
2023	PI , Co-applicant with 5 international PIs; The well-being of migrants in Europe Outcome: not selected	CHANSE-Norface
2023	Supervisor , Cooperation Visits Programme, a proposal by Alone Isabirye PhD at the Kyambogo University, Kampala, Uganda; Brain drain from Africa Outcome: not selected	TWAS - DFG
2023	PI , lead applicant with 3 international co-applicants; Considering migrant scientists in research evaluation Outcome: not selected	Volkswagen Foundation
2022	PI , ERC Starting Grant; Migration of scholars worldwide Outcome: Grade A, “fully meets the ERC’s excellence criterion and is recommended for funding if sufficient funds are available”	European Research Council (ERC)
2022	Co-I , Lead applicant D. Susie Lee; Ego-network’s effect on the diffusion of family planning behavior Outcome: not selected in the second round of review	Templeton grant
2015	PhD Scholarship (40,916€) , University of Milan, Funded by University of Brescia	Milan, Italy
2015	Research Stay Scholarship (6,570€) , Ministry of Science, Research and Technology	Tehran, Iran
2015	Tuition Waiver (490€) , Summer course on Personal Network Analysis at Autonomous University of Barcelona	Barcelona, Spain
2015	Tuition Discount (500€, declined) , Summer course on Big Data and Society at University of Amsterdam	Amsterdam, the Netherlands

Academic Supervision Experience and Responsibilities

2024 -	Co-organizer and Mentor , the Population and Social Data Science Summer Incubator Program (co-supervising with D. Perrotta and J. Kim), weekly mentorship meeting and organizing tutorials; Project: Gender and network dynamics in mobility and Migration (link)	MPIDR
2024	Course Coordinator , International Max Planck Research School for Population, Health and Data Science (IMPRS-PHDS) course on Topics in Digital and Computational Demography (link)	MPIDR
2024	Co-organizer and Facilitator , 11 soft skills seminars for PhD students, 1-hour seminars with invited speakers	MPIDR
2023 -	Co-organizer and Mentor , Shortlisted and interviewed 14 students out of 217 applications and selected 6 PhD students to participate in the Population and Social Data Science Summer Incubator Program (co-supervised with U. Basellini and E. Zagheni), weekly mentorship meeting and organizing 15 tutorials; Project: Gender inequality in the scientific workforce worldwide (link)	MPIDR
2023	Co-organizer and Facilitator , 12 soft skills seminars for PhD students, 1-hour seminars with invited speakers, 1 as the speaker on Biases in Science (slides)	MPIDR
2023	Course Coordinator , International Max Planck Research School for Population, Health and Data Science (IMPRS-PHDS) course on Topics in Digital and Computational Demography (link)	MPIDR
2023 -	Supervisor , 1 visiting Master graduate (upcoming PhD student), Faeze Ghorbanpour, Computer Science at the Sharif University of Technology; Project: Identifying the nationality of Scopus-published scholars using machine learning and authors’ names	MPIDR

	Training Advisor,	
2022 -	10 PhD students, as the Deputy Head for Training, monthly progressive meetings to provide feedback on their progress in addition to providing yearly feedback to students and their postdoc mentors	MPIDR
	Advisor,	
2021 -	1 visiting PhD student, Maria Vignau Loria, PhD student of Sociology at the University of Washington, United States; Working paper (https://doi.org/10.4054/MPIDR-WP-2023-027)	MPIDR
	Advisor,	
2021 -	1 PhD student, Xinyi Zhao, PhD student of Sociology at MPIDR and University of Oxford, the UK; Published paper (https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2214664120)	MPIDR
	Supervisor,	
2021-2022	1 Master Student (as a research assistant)	MPIDR
	Supervisor,	
2019-2021	2 Master Students (as research assistants)	DZHW, Berlin

Teaching Experience

2024	Migration and Society - Week 7: Migration Networks, University of Rostock and MPIDR	Rostock
2024	Network tie formation mechanisms, Population and Social Data Science Summer Incubator Program (materials)	Rostock - Virtual
2024	Using digital trace data to study the migration of scholars, IMPRS-PHDS, IDEM187, MPIDR	Rostock - Virtual
2023	Using digital trace data to study the migration of scholars, IMPRS-PHDS, IDEM187, MPIDR (outline)	Rostock - Virtual
2022	Using digital trace data to study the migration of scholars, IMPRS-PHDS, IDEM187, MPIDR (materials)	Rostock - Virtual
2022	Parallelized analysis of bibliometric and text data using Python and SQL, University of Toronto (materials)	Toronto - Virtual
2022	Using bibliometric data in demographic research, European Population Conference, with Xinyi Zhao (materials)	Groningen, the Netherlands
2022	Introduction to text analysis and bibliometric data, Population and Social Data Science Summer Incubator Program (materials)	Rostock - Virtual
2022	Parallelized analysis of bibliometric and text data using Python and SQL, University of Michigan (materials)	Michigan- Virtual
2019	Introduction to network analysis, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (materials)	Berlin, Germany
	Adjunct Professor,	
	Yazd University, courses taught:	
	- Basic Sociology (2 semesters)	
2013-2014	- Sociology of Third World countries	Yazd, Iran
	- Sociology of Delinquent Behaviour	
	- Sociology of Social Stratification and Inequalities (2 semesters)	
	Adjunct Professor,	
	University of Applied Science and Technology, courses taught:	
2012-2013	- Basic Sociology	Tehran, Iran
	- Basics of Iranian Social History	
	Workshop Instructor,	
2011-2015	Social network analysis, invited by various institutions (visual history)	Iran

Organization of Scientific Events

	Workshop (Member Initiated Meeting) Organizer,	
2023	with 8 invited speakers at 88th Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America on inauguration of the Scholarly Migration Database (link)	New Orleans, USA
	Suessmilch Lecture Host and Organizer,	
2023	Invited and hosted Cassidy R. Sugimoto for her lecture on "Equity for Women in Science" (link)	Rostock, Germany

	Workshop Organizer,	
2022	with 6 invited speakers at European Population Conference on using bibliometric data for demographic research (link)	Groningen, the Netherlands
	Conference Session Organizer,	
2020	with Vacca, Raffaele; McCarty, Christopher; Squazzoni, Flaminio on Network Analysis for the Science of Science, 40th INSNA Sunbelt conference	Virtual
2020	Co-organizer of the second satRday conference in Berlin, A conference for R users, cancelled due to covid-19 (link)	Berlin, Germany
2019	Co-organizer of the first satRday conference in Berlin, A conference for R users (link)	Berlin, Germany

Reviewing Activities

Journals	American Sociological Review, Quantitative Science Studies, Social Networks, Journal of Informetrics, Nature - Humanities and Social Sciences Communications, Scientometrics, Journal of Open Source Software, Global Networks, Applied Network Science, Science and Public Policy, European Journal of Education, PLOS ONE, EPJ Data Science, Migration Studies
Verified Reviews	Web of Science reviewer profile (www.webofscience.com/wos/author/record/193186)
Grants	Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
Conferences	IC2S2024, PAA2024, STI2024, STI2022, ISSI2021, Sunbelt 2020, ISSI & STI2019, STI2018
Award Committee	IMPRS-PHDS Annual Academy poster award, 2021 INSNA-Sunbelt Richard's Software Award
Topic Co-Editor	Frontiers in Research Metrics and Analytics
Panel Member	2021 INSNA Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Panel

Research Output and Publications

(Publications led by post-graduate students that I mentor are marked with “**”)

Peer-reviewed journal articles

- Akbaritabar, A.** Thinking Spatially in Computational Social Science. *EPJ Data Science* **13**, 1–12. doi:10.1140/epjds/s13688-023-00443-0 (2024).
- Akbaritabar, A.,** Castro Torres, A. F., Larivière, V., A Global Perspective on Social Stratification in Science. *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications* **11**, 1–10. doi:10.1057/s41599-024-03402-w (2024).
- Akbaritabar, A.,** Rubin, B. P., The Evolution of Plasticity in the Neuroscientific Literature during the Second Half of the Twentieth Century to the Present. *Journal of the History of the Neurosciences*. doi:10.1080/0964704X.2024.2371783 (2024).
- Akbaritabar, A.,** Theile, T., Zagheni, E., Bilateral Flows and Rates of International Migration of Scholars for 210 Countries for the Period 1998–2020. *Scientific Data* **11**, 816. doi:10.1038/s41597-024-03655-9 (July 2024).
- Castro Torres, A. F., **Akbaritabar, A.,** The Use of Linear Models in Quantitative Research. *Quantitative Science Studies*, 1–32. doi:10.1162/qss_a_00294 (2024).
- ** Zhao, X., **Akbaritabar, A.,** Kashyap, R., Zagheni, E., A Gender Perspective on the Global Migration of Scholars. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* **120**, e2214664120. doi:10.1073/pnas.2214664120 (2023).
- Sanliturk, E., Zagheni, E., Daňko, M. J., Theile, T., **Akbaritabar, A.,** Global Patterns of Migration of Scholars with Economic Development. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* **120**. (Equal contribution of all authors), e2217937120. doi:10.1073/pnas.2217937120 (2023).
- Akbaritabar, A.,** Stephen, D., Squazzoni, F., A Study of Referencing Changes in Preprint-Publication Pairs across Multiple Fields. *Journal of Informetrics* **16**, 101258. doi:10.1016/j.joi.2022.101258 (2022).
- Piolatto, M., Bianchi, F., Rota, M., Marengoni, A., **Akbaritabar, A.,** Squazzoni, F., The Effect of Social Relationships on Cognitive Decline in Older Adults: An Updated Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Longitudinal Cohort Studies. *BMC Public Health* **22**, 278. doi:10.1186/s12889-022-12567-5 (2022).
- Akbaritabar, A.** A Quantitative View of the Structure of Institutional Scientific Collaborations Using the Example of Berlin. *Quantitative Science Studies* **2**, 753–777. doi:10.1162/qss_a_00131 (2021).
- Akbaritabar, A.,** Barbato, G., An Internationalised Europe and Regionally Focused Americas: A Network Analysis of Higher Education Studies. *European Journal of Education* **56**, 219–234. doi:10.1111/ejed.12446 (2021).
- Akbaritabar, A.,** Bravo, G., Squazzoni, F., The Impact of a National Research Assessment on the Publications of Sociologists in Italy. *Science and Public Policy*. doi:10.1093/scipol/scab013 (2021).
- Gao, D., **Akbaritabar, A.,** Using Agent-Based Modeling in Routine Dynamics Research: A Quantitative and Content Analysis of Literature. *Review of Managerial Science*. doi:10.1007/s11846-021-00446-z (2021).
- Akbaritabar, A.,** Squazzoni, F., Gender Patterns of Publication in Top Sociological Journals. *Science, Technology, & Human Values*. doi:10.1177/0162243920941588 (2020).
- Akbaritabar, A.,** Traag, V. A., Caimo, A., Squazzoni, F., Italian Sociologists: A Community of Disconnected Groups. *Scientometrics*. doi:10.1007/s11192-020-03555-w (2020).

16. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Casnici, N., Squazzoni, F., The Conundrum of Research Productivity: A Study on Sociologists in Italy. *Scientometrics* **114**, 859–882. doi:10.1007/s11192-017-2606-5 (2018).
17. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Hezarjaribi, J., A comparative study on Cyber Social Capital in Persian, English and French speaking users of Facebook and Google plus. *Quarterly Journal of Socio - Cultural Development Studies* **5**, 175–204. <http://journals.sabz.ac.ir/scds/article-1-314-en.html> (2016).
18. Morteza, N., Hamidreza, M., **Akbaritabar, A.**, Omid, K. H., Amid, R., Psychometric Properties of the Persian Translation of Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index. *Health Scope* **3**. doi:10.17795/jhealthscope-15547 (2014).
19. Nazifi, M., Mokarami, H. R., **Akbaritabar, A.**, FarajiKujerdi, M., Tabrizi, R., Rahi, A., Reliability, Validity and Factor Structure of the Persian Translation of General Health Questionnaire (GHQ-28) in Hospitals of Kerman University of Medical Sciences. *Journal of Fasa University of Medical Sciences* **3**, 336–342. <http://jabs.fums.ac.ir/article-1-528-en.html> (2014).
20. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Mokarami, H., Nazifi, M., Rahi, A., Mirkamandar, E., Hosseinpouri, M., Psychometric properties of Spectator's job satisfaction survey in the Iranian population. *Koomesh* **14**. <http://koomeshjournal.semums.ac.ir/article-1-1787-en.html> (2013).
21. Eskandaripour, E., **Akbaritabar, A.**, Scientific Study of Radio & TV Webpages in Social Websites. *Quarterly Journal of Communication Research* **20**, 113. doi:10.22082/cr.2013.23567 (2013).
22. Shaverdi, M., Heshmati, M. R., Eskandaripour, E., **Akbaritabar, A.**, Developing Sustainable SCM Evaluation Model Using Fuzzy AHP in Publishing Industry. *Procedia computer science* **17**, 340–349. doi:10.1016/j.procs.2013.05.044 (2013).

Peer-reviewed conference proceedings

1. **Akbaritabar, A.** Scientific Collaboration Networks in the Interdisciplinary Field of Biodiversity in Central Germany in *Proceedings of International Society of Scientometrics and Informetrics Conference* (Bloomington, Indiana, 2023). doi:10.5281/zenodo.8253500.
2. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Stahlschmidt, S., *Merits and Limits: Applying open data to monitor open access publications in bibliometric databases in Proceedings of the 17th International Conference on Scientometrics and Informetrics, ISSI 2019, Rome, Italy, September 2-5, 2019* (eds Catalano, G., Daraio, C., Gregori, M., Moed, H. F. & Ruocco, G.) (ISSI Society, 2019), 1455–1461. <https://www.issi-society.org/publications/issi-conference-proceedings/proceedings-of-issi-2019/>.

Book chapters

1. Kashyap, R., Rinderknecht, R. G., **Akbaritabar, A.**, Alburez-Gutierrez, D., Gil-Clavel, S., Grow, A., Kim, J., Leasure, D. R., Lohmann, S., Negraia, D. V., Perrotta, D., Rampazzo, F., Tsai, C.-J., Verhagen, M. D., Zagheni, E., Zhao, X., in *Research Handbook on Digital Sociology* 48–86 (Edward Elgar Publishing, 2023). doi:10.4337/9781789906769.00010.

Datasets, software, and replication materials

1. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Materials for Course on Network Tie Formation Mechanisms* Zenodo. 2024. doi:10.5281/zenodo.12737590. (2024).
2. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Castro Torres, A. F., *Replication Data for: A Global Perspective on Social Stratification in Science* Zenodo. June 2024. doi:10.5281/zenodo.12527944. (2024).
3. Theile, T., **Akbaritabar, A.**, Zagheni, E., *Replication Data for: Bilateral Flows and Rates of International Migration of Scholars for 210 Countries and Areas for the Period 1998-2020* May 2024. doi:10.5281/zenodo.11145735. (2024).
4. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Theile, T., Zagheni, E., *Scholarly Migration Database 2023*. <https://scholarlymigration.org/>.
5. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Materials for Course on BiblioDemography in IMPRS-PHDS 2022: Using Large-Scale Bibliometric Data for Demographic Research* Zenodo. 2022. doi:10.5281/zenodo.12737586. (2024).
6. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Parallelised Analysis of Large-Scale Bibliometric and Text Data (with Dask in Python, DuckDB and DBeaver in SQL)* Zenodo. 2022. doi:10.5281/zenodo.12737596. (2024).
7. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Parallelised and out of Memory Data Analysis Using Dask in Python and DuckDB and DBeaver in SQL* Zenodo. 2022. doi:10.5281/zenodo.12737606. (2024).
8. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Scientific Collaborations in Berlin and Halle-Jena-Leipzig Regions Presentation* Zenodo. 2022. doi:10.5281/zenodo.12737580. (2024).
9. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Xaringan Presentation Format with MPIDR Template* Zenodo. 2022. doi:10.5281/zenodo.12737564. (2024).
10. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Zhao, X., *Materials for Workshop on "Using Bibliometric Data in Demographic Research"* Zenodo. 2022. doi:10.5281/zenodo.12737600. (2024).
11. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Scripts Needed to Replicate Methodology Used in "A Quantitative View of the Structure of Institutional Scientific Collaborations Using the Example of Berlin" Published in Quantitative Science Studies*. Zenodo. Apr. 2021. doi:10.5281/zenodo.4657326. (2024).
12. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Google Scholar R Shiny Application* Zenodo. 2020. doi:10.5281/zenodo.12737546. (2024).
13. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Kalick and Hamilton, 1986, Agent Based Model Replicated Using Mesa in Python* Zenodo. 2020. doi:10.5281/zenodo.12737542. (2024).
14. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Replication Materials for "The Impact of a National Research Assessment on the Publications of Sociologists in Italy" to Appear in Science and Public Policy* Zenodo. Aug. 2020. doi:10.5281/zenodo.3974108. (2024).

Preprints and working papers

1. ** Walk, E., **Akbaritabar, A.**, *Resolving the Paradox between Migration and Collaboration of Scholars Worldwide* Aug. 2024. doi:[10.31235/osf.io/g2u6v](https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/g2u6v). (2024).
2. ** Abdi Nur, A., **Akbaritabar, A.**, Vignau Loria, M., Coolman, N., Fan, X., Curran, S., *Bibliometric Analysis of Published Literature on the Determinants of Family Planning* tech. rep. WP-2023-027 (Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock, 2023), WP-2023-027. doi:[10.4054/MPIDR-WP-2023-027](https://doi.org/10.4054/MPIDR-WP-2023-027).
3. ** Kim, J., Vishnoi, S., Carrasco, I., Cortés, J., Liang, Y., Lauber, M., **Akbaritabar, A.**, Basellini, U., Zagheni, E., *Global Gender Gap in the Scientific Workforce: Analyzing and Forecasting Bibliometric Data* 2023.
4. ** Zhao, X., **Akbaritabar, A.**, Kashyap, R., Zagheni, E., *Gender Differences in Online Visibility of Early-Career Researchers: Are Men More Likely to Gain Mentions on Twitter and Benefit More* 2023.
5. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Bornmann, L., Haunschild, R., *A Bibliometric Perspective on Global Mobility of Academic Talents* 2023.
6. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Daňko, M. J., Zhao, X., Zagheni, E., *Sub-National Disparities in the Global Mobility of Academic Talent* Rostock, 2023. doi:[10.4054/MPIDR-WP-2023-038](https://doi.org/10.4054/MPIDR-WP-2023-038).
7. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Stephen, D., *A Case-Control Study of Differences in the Review Process between Peer Review and Other Research Manuscripts: Study Protocol* SSRN Scholarly Paper. Rochester, NY, Sept. 2023. <https://ssrn.com/abstract=4569653> (2024).
8. Gao, D., **Akbaritabar, A.**, *Motivations Behind Scholarly Collaboration and Migration: An Agent-Based Model* 2023.
9. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Dichotomy of Offline Versus Online Social Capital* SSRN Scholarly Paper. Rochester, NY, 2022. doi:[10.2139/ssrn.4311832](https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.4311832).
10. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Stahlschmidt, S., *Applying Crossref and Unpaywall Information to Identify Gold, Hidden Gold, Hybrid and Delayed Open Access Publications in the KB Publication Corpus* Preprint (SocArXiv, 2019). doi:[10.31235/osf.io/sdzft](https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/sdzft).
11. **Akbaritabar, A.**, Hezarjaribi, J., Jullien, N., *A Tool for Dynamic Measurement of Social Capital Embedded in Online Social Networks*. *Grafo Working Papers* **4**, 1–30. doi:[10.5565/rev/grafowp.14](https://doi.org/10.5565/rev/grafowp.14) (2015).

Dissertations, and other journals

1. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Quantitative Sociology of Academic Work in an Era of Hypercompetition and Rankings* PhD thesis (Università degli Studi di Milano, 2019). doi:[10.13130/AKBARITABAR-ALIAKBAR_PHD2019-04-16](https://doi.org/10.13130/AKBARITABAR-ALIAKBAR_PHD2019-04-16).
2. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Interactive Dashboard on Key Actors in Higher Education Research and Science Studies (HERSS)* German Center for Higher Education Research and Science Studies (DZHW). Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), 2018. https://akbaritabar.github.io/CV_MD/herss_world_map_flexdashboard.html.
3. **Akbaritabar, A.** *Iranian's Cyber Social Capital; Background Factors and Outcome* PhD thesis (Allameh Tabataba'i University, Tehran, Iran, 2017).
4. Squazzoni, F., **Akbaritabar, A.**, *Internationalizing Sociology in Italy, 1970s-2010s*. **7**, 10–11. <https://globaldialogue.isa-sociology.org/articles/internationalizing-sociology-in-italy-1970s-2010s> (2017).
5. **Akbaritabar, A.** *A study on online social networks: case study of Doreh and U24* Master of Sociology (Tarbiat Modares University, Tehran, Iran, 2011).

Invited Talks

2024	A global perspective on social stratification in science, Centre for Demographic Studies (CED), Autonomous University of Barcelona	Barcelona
2024	Using digital trace data to study migration, social and collaboration networks, University of Edinburgh (job talk)	Edinburgh - Virtual
2024	Using digital trace data to study migration, social and collaboration networks, Trinity College Dublin (job talk)	Dublin - Virtual
2024	The Scholarly Migration Database, Webinar on innovations in data infrastructure for the longitudinal study of international migration, IUSSP Scientific Panel on Lifetime Migration (link)	Virtual
2024	Computational Approaches to Migration Research, University of St Andrews (job talk)	St Andrews - Virtual
2023	Using digital trace data to study migration, social and collaboration networks, Central European University (job talk)	Vienna, Austria
2023	Tie formation mechanisms in social networks, Central European University (job talk)	Vienna, Austria
2023	Quantifying the mobility and migration of scholars worldwide, Scientific Mobility Conference, University of Granada	Granada - Virtual
2023	Computational Approaches to Migration Research, University of Rostock (job talk)	Rostock, Germany
2022	Internal and international migration of scholars worldwide, RISIS research seminars (link)	Lugano - Virtual

2022	Methodological monotheism across fields of science in contemporary quantitative research, Canada Research Chair on the Transformations of Scholarly Communication (with Andres Castro)	Montreal - Virtual
2022	Internal and international migration of scholars worldwide, University of Koblenz (job talk)	Koblenz, Germany
2022	Plasticity: the anchor concept of the neurosciences, Robert Merton Centre for Science Studies, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (with Beatrix Rubin)	Berlin, Germany
2022	Cyber Social Capital, Scientific Collaboration, and Scholarly Migration; Three studies through the lens of social network analysis, University of Utrecht (job talk)	Utrecht - Virtual
2022	Cyber Social Capital, Scientific Collaboration, and Scholarly Migration; Three studies through the lens of social network analysis, University of Oxford (job talk)	Oxford - Virtual
2022	Internal and international migration of scholars worldwide, Canada Research Chair on the Transformations of Scholarly Communication	Montreal - Virtual
2021	Internal and international migration of scholars worldwide, 3rd Thematic workshop “Migration and Big Data”, French Collaborative Institute on Migration, CNRS	Paris - Virtual
2020	Italian sociologists: a community of disconnected groups, The Mitchell Centre for Social Network Analysis seminars (video)	Manchester - Virtual
2020	A Network Analysis Study on the Internationalization of Higher Education Research, University College London (UCL) Virtual workshop for the special issue of European Journal of Education (with Giovanni Barbato)	London - Virtual
2019	Merits and Limits: Applying open data to monitor open access publications in bibliometric databases, Workshop on Matching procedures for Unpaywall and Web of Science, Bielefeld University	Bielefeld, Germany
2019	A spatial scientometric and network analysis of Higher Education Research and Science Studies (HERSS), International symposium on Academia in the Age of Comparison, Leibniz Center for Science and Society (LCSS) of Hanover University	Hanover, Germany
2019	Dashboards for academic reports? Introducing Key Actors in Higher Education Research and Science Studies (HERSS Dashboard), Research Colloquium, German Center for Higher Education Research and Science Studies (DZHW)	Berlin, Germany
2018	A quantitative sociology of academic work in an era of hypercompetition and rankings, Centre for Science and Technology Studies (CWTS) seminars	Leiden, the Netherlands
2018	Gender and ethnic patterns of publication in top sociology journals, Research Group in Experimental and Computational Sociology, University of Brescia	Brescia, Italy
2017	Cyber Social Capital: A comparative SNA study on a sample of English, French and Persian speaking users of Facebook and Google plus, Iranian Sociological Association	Tehran, Iran
2017	Contexts that matter the most: Institutional embeddedness of research productivity of sociologists in Italy, Research Group in Experimental and Computational Sociology, University of Brescia	Brescia, Italy
2013	Organizational Network Analysis: How Social Media will change the way Information is shared in Organizations, Second National Conference on Social Media day	Tehran, Iran
2013	How Online Social Networks shape youth's Lifestyle and Leisure time, National Congress on Lifestyle and Leisure Time	Shiraz, Iran
2011	Book-based Group Activities in Social Networking Sites, Case study of U24.ir, Conference on Book and Social Media	Tehran, Iran
2011	How to use SNA in study of online social networks, Conference on Online Social Networks and Everyday Life	Tehran, Iran
2011	Youth Responsibility In Online Social Networks: Case Study of U24.ir, National Conference on Youth Responsibility	Shiraz, Iran

Conference Presentations

International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC²S²)

2015, Northwestern University; 2019, Amsterdam; 2021, ETH Zurich; 2022, Chicago - Virtual (1 talk, 1 poster); 2023, Copenhagen (3 talks, 1 poster)

Conference of the International Network for Social Network Analysis (INSNA - Sunbelt)

2015, Brighton; 2018, Utrecht; 2020, Virtual (1 organized track); 2021, Networks 2021: A Joint Sunbelt and NetSci Conference; 2022, Carins - Virtual (2 talks); 2023, Portland - Virtual (2 talks)

International School and Conference on Network Science (NetSci) & European Conference on Social Networks (EUSN)

2016, EUSN Paris; 2021, Networks 2021: A Joint Sunbelt and NetSci Conference, Virtual; 2023, NetSci Vienna (1 talk, 1 session as chair)

Biannual Conference of the International Society for Scientometrics and Informetrics (ISSI)

2019, Rome; 2023, Indiana - Virtual

Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America (PAA)

2022, Atlanta - Virtual (2 talks); 2023, New Orleans (1 workshop with 8 invited speakers); 2024, Columbus (2 as co-author, 2 posters, 1 session as discussant)

European Population Conference (EPC) & International Population Conference (IPC)

2021, IPC Virtual (2 talks); 2022, EPC Groningen (1 talk, 1 workshop with 6 invited speakers); 2024, EPC Edinburgh (3 as co-author, 1 talk)

Other Conferences

2010, Integrated Conference of Metallurgy Engineers, Tehran; 2011, National Conference on Medical Education, Mashhad

Other Sociology or Demography Conferences

2011, International Technology, Education and Development (INTED) Conference, Valencia - Virtual; 2019, Conferenza Nazionale delle Dottorande e dei Dottorandi in Scienze Sociali, Sapienza University, Rome; 2018, Rome and 2020, Valencia - Virtual, New Frontiers of Peer Review (PEERE); 2021, Methodological Innovations in Research on Spatial Mobility: Potentials and Pitfalls, Hanover - Virtual; 2022, IMISCOE annual conference, Oslo - Virtual; 2023, AISP-SIS, PopDays, Rome; 2023, German Federal Institute for Population Research 50th anniversary, Wiesbaden; 2023, British Society for Population Studies Annual Conference (BSPS), Keele

Membership in Scientific Societies

2023-2025: Population Association of America (PAA); 2022-2026: European Association for Population Studies (EAPS); 2022-2023: International Migration Research Network (IMISCOE); 2015-2016 and 2020-2021: The International Network for Social Network Analysis (INSNA); 2011-2015: The Iranian National Association of Social Welfare

Public Outreach and Other Services

Podcast Guest,

2023 PNAS Science Sessions Podcast with X. Zhao, R. Kashyap and E. Zagheni on “Gender gap among migrant scientists” ([link](#))

Contributor,

2023 Awesome Computational Social Science GitHub Repository ([link](#))

Written post,

2023 International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP), description of the workshop on the inauguration of the Scholarly Migration Database at PAA2023 ([link](#))

Written post,

2022 International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP), description of the workshop on using bibliometric data for demographic research ([link](#))

Contributor,

2022 Published social network surveys and software GitHub repository ([link](#))

Interview,

2022 MPIDR's press department on “How to Use Bibliometric Data for Demographic Research” ([link](#))

Public talk,

2022 African Science Day titled “Development and Global Migration of Scholars: Trends and Patterns revealed by Bibliometric Data”, African Development Initiative e.V. (ADI e.V.) *Rostock, Germany*

Translator,

2022 Contributed to Persian translation of the Declaration on Research Assessment (DORA) ([link](#))

Interview,

2021 MPIDR's press department on “New Researcher at the Digital and Computational Demography Lab” ([link](#))

Maintainer,

2020- Calendar of Computational Social Science Events Worldwide ([link](#))

- 2015 **Interview,**
M@rsouin institute about Social Village ([link](#))
- 2011-2015 **Blogger,**
Accessible scientific contents about Social Network Analysis. (104 posts in Persian) ([link](#))

Additional Training

10th Annual Berkeley Workshop in Formal Demography

Instructors: Robert Chung, Dennis Feehan, Ayesha Mahmud, Joshua Goldstein at UC Berkeley ([link](#))

Berkeley

03-07/06/2024

Introduction to Machine Learning and Predictive Modeling

Instructor: Samin Aref from University of Toronto hosted at MPIDR ([link](#))

Rostock

05/2023

Media Training Workshop

Instructors from Econnect Communication ([link](#))

Virtual

15-16/05/2023

Inspirational Leadership and Supervision

Instructor: Daniel Mertens ([link](#))

Rostock, Germany

21-22/02/2023

Science of Science Summer School (S4)

School of Information Studies at Syracuse University

Instructors: Daniel Acuña, Stephen David, et al. ([link](#))

Virtual

26-30/07/2021 - 02-06/08/2021

Topics in Digital and Computational Demography

International Max Planck Research School for Population, Health and Data Science (IMPRS-PHDS, IDEM187)

Instructors: Diego Alburez-Gutierrez, Samin Aref, André Grow, Emilio Zagheni ([link](#))

Virtual

9-13/11/2020

Academic English Writing

BIEN Soft Skill Workshops, The German Institute for Economic Research (DIW)

Instructor: Tim Korver ([link](#))

Berlin, Germany

9/04/2019

Analyzing network dynamics and peer influence processes with RSiena

XXXVIII Sunbelt Conference on Social Network Analysis

Instructors: Christian Steglich, Robert Krause

Utrecht, the Netherlands

26/06/2018, 6 hours: 9:00-16:00

Visualizing Social Networks. How to Create Meaningful and Compelling Network Drawings

XXXVIII Sunbelt Conference on Social Network Analysis

Instructors: Juergen Pfeffer, Mirco Schonfeld

Utrecht, the Netherlands

27/06/2018, 3 hours: 9:00-12:00

Bibliometric Network Analysis and Science Mapping Using VOSviewer

The Centre for Science and Technology Studies (CWTS), Leiden University

Instructors: Ludo Waltman, Nees Van Eck ([link](#))

Leiden, the Netherlands

12-13/04/2018

Agent-based modelling for social scientists

Summer school at the University of Brescia

Instructors: Flaminio Squazzoni, Simone Gabbriellini, Nicolas Payette, Federico Bianchi

Brescia, Italy

4-8/09/2017

Python for social scientists

Spring school at the University of Trento

Instructor: Jonathan Bright (Oxford Internet Institute)

Trento, Italy

12-13/04/2017

Agent-based modelling for social scientists

Summer school at the University of Brescia

Instructors: Flaminio Squazzoni, Simone Gabbriellini, Federico Bianchi

Brescia, Italy

20-24/06/2016

Analysis of Longitudinal Social Network Data using RSIENA

2nd European Conference on Social Networks (EUSN)

Instructors: Tom Snijders, Christian Steglich

Paris, France

14/06/2016, 3 hours: 9:00-12:00

Temporal Exponential Random Graph Model (TERGM)

2nd European Conference on Social Networks (EUSN)

Instructors: Lorient Jasny, Michal Bojanowski

Paris, France

14/06/2016, 3 hours: 16:30-19:30

Social Networks and Organizations

Doctoral course as seminar series at the Italian University of Switzerland (USI)

Instructors: Alessandro Lomi, Christoph Stadtfeld, Per Block, Viviana Amati, Paola Zappa

Lugano, Switzerland

Apr. 2016 - Jun. 2016

Exponential Random Graph Models (ERGMs) for statistical analysis of Network data

2nd edition Spring school at the Italian University of Switzerland (USI)

Instructors: Garry Robins, Alessandro Lomi, Paola Zappa

Lugano, Switzerland

18-20/04/2016

Skills

Languages	Persian (Farsi) and Qashqai : as mother tongues; English : TOEFL IBT 2015, 96/120 (R: 23, L: 24, S: 22, W: 27); Arabic : Basic level in reading and writing; Italian : B1, University of Bergamo certificate; German : B1, TELC certificate
Programming	R and Python : Parallelized extract, transform, and load (ETL), network analysis, text analysis, web scrapping, dynamic reports, Shiny, R-Markdown; SQL : Tabular databases: Oracle, PostgreSQL; In-memory databases: DuckDB; Graph Databases: ArangoDB
Statistical	SPSS, Stata, R, Python
Networks	iGraph, Pajek, Ucinet, NodeXL, Gephi, Cytoscape
Simulation	Agent-Based Modelling (ABM) in NetLogo and Mesa Python
Version control	Git, GitHub, GitLab
Office; OS	Microsoft Office Programs, LibreOffice; Windows, Linux, Mac iOS
Typesetting	TeX, Markdown
Qualitative	RQDA
IDE	VS-Code, Jupyter, RStudio, DBeaver, Command-line terminal
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 01/06/2023 - present, Certified fire protection helper (Brandschutzhelfer) at MPIDR, training at AFZ Rostock 24/02/2024 - present, Certified first aid helper at MPIDR, training at Malteser Rostock 2024, Certificate for Good Clinical Practice in Social and Behavioral Research course by National Institutes of Health Running and cycling (Strava personal, DemogRunner club)