

# Beniamino Masi

POST-DOC RESEARCHER

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## Academic Appointments

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### **University of Pisa**

POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCHER

Pisa, Italy

Dec. 2025 – Present

- Research Project: “WATER SENsitive communities”.
- Tasked with the development of a governance framework for Decentralized Water Management (DWM).
- Conducting comparative institutional and empirical analysis via in-depth interviews with policy stakeholders.

### **Council for European Studies**

COMMUNICATION OFFICER

New York, USA (Remote)

May 2023 – Present

- Officer for the “Political Parties, Party Systems and Elections” Research Network.
- Managing internal communications, newsletter drafting, and dissemination of research activities.

### **University of Padua**

POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCHER

Padua, Italy

Dec. 2023 – Nov. 2024

- Research Project: “Governing the Just Transition: Eco-social Politics and Policies in the EU”.
- Conducted fieldwork and in-depth semi-structured interviews with policy stakeholders in Italy, Spain, and Belgium.
- Performed comparative qualitative analysis of data from four country cases.

### **Kieskompas**

Amsterdam, Netherlands

(Remote)

COUNTRY EXPERT (ITALY)

Nov. 2021 – Dec. 2021

- Advisory on the Italian leg of a cross-country survey experiment and translation of survey items.

## Education

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### **University of Pisa**

PHD IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Pisa, Italy

Nov. 2020 – June 2024

- Thesis: “Patterns of party organizational change. Convergence and disintermediation in Europe (1969-2017)”.
- Supervisor: Prof. Eugenio Pizzimenti.

### **University of Florence**

Florence, Italy

M.A. IN POLITICS, INSTITUTIONS AND MARKETS

2018 – 2020

- Final Grade: 110/110 cum laude.

### **University of Pisa**

B.A. IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Pisa, Italy

2015 – 2018

- Final Grade: 108/110.

## Publications

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### MONOGRAPHS

**Masi, B.** (Forthcoming). *The Transformation of Party Organization in Europe: The Age of Disintermediation*. Palgrave Macmillan.

### PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

**Masi, B.** (Forthcoming). Towards a Comparative Framework for Analysis of Eco-social research. *Rivista Italiana di Politiche Pubbliche*. [Class A Journal - 14/A2]

Domorenok, E., **Masi, B.** (Forthcoming). Implementing the Just Transition Fund: patterns of multilevel governance. *Journal of Common Market Studies*. [Class A Journal - 14/A2]

Pizzimenti, E., **Masi, B.**, & Calossi, E. (Forthcoming). Converging or diverging? Intra-party Change in the Italian Parties (2012-2024). *Comparative Italian Politics*. [Class A Journal - 14/A2]

Bardi, L., Calossi, E., Cicchi, L., & **Masi, B.** (2026). Measuring Political Representation in Italy: A VAA-based Analysis of the 2022 Election. *Comparative Italian Politics*. [Class A Journal - 14/A2]

Pizzimenti, E., **Masi, B.**, & Luperi Baglini, L. (2024). Party Organizational Development and Change: A Theoretical Framework. *Italian Political Science*. [Class A Journal - 14/A2]

Pizzimenti, E., Piccio, D.R., & **Masi, B.** (2024). Does regulation matter? Trajectories of party organizational change in Western Europe (1970-2010). *Journal of Contemporary European Studies*. DOI: 10.1080/14782804.2023.2301298. [Class A Journal - 14/A2]

Pizzimenti, E., Calossi, E., Cicchi, L., & **Masi, B.** (2022). Do parties converge? An empirical analysis of party organizational and policy issue saliency change in Western Europe (1970–2010). *Journal of Contemporary European Studies*. DOI: 10.1080/14782804.2022.2119215. [Class A Journal - 14/A2]

**Masi, B.**, & Pizzimenti, E. (2022). The Political Foundations of Party Organizational Change. *Comparative European Politics*. DOI: 10.1057/s41295-022-00299-0. [Class A Journal - 14/A2]

**Masi, B.** (2021). Looking through the mirror: representativeness of the Italian party system before the 2018 General Election. *Quaderni dell'Osservatorio Elettorale (QOE-IJES)*, 84(1), 69–83. DOI: 10.36253/qoe-10237. [Class A Journal - 14/A2]

## BOOK CHAPTERS

**Masi, B.** (2024). Partiti in crisi? Per un'analisi empirica dell'evoluzione dei partiti politici. In D. Lembo et al. (Eds.), *Post. Sguardi sul cambiamento*. Mimesis.

**Masi, B.** (2023). “In una relazione complicata”. Districare il rapporto tra cultura e mutamenti organizzativi nei partiti. In A. Dividus et al. (Eds.), *Itinerari del sapere*. Carocci.

**Masi, B.** (2022). The People and the Party: connecting populism and Intra-Party Democracy. In E. Calossi & P. Imperatore (Eds.), *Populism in contemporary Italian politics*. Pisa University Press.

## Teaching Experience

### University of Pisa

Pisa, Italy

#### TEACHING ASSISTANT

Mar. 2022 – Present

- Courses: *Comparative Politics, Public Policy Analysis and Organization Theory, Comparative Migration Politics and Policies, Geopolitics and International Relations Theories, Political System of the EU and the International System, International Relations*.
- Entrusted with the administration and evaluation of oral examinations to assess student proficiency. Responsibilities also included delivering specialized seminars and occasionally providing guidance to undergraduates for their research theses.

### University of Pisa

Pisa, Italy

#### GUEST LECTURER

2024, 2025

- Course: “Public Policy Analysis and Organization Theory” (2h).
- Course: “Politics and Policies for Sustainable Development” (2h).
- Course: “Comparative Politics” (2h, 2022).

### University of Florence

Florence, Italy

#### GUEST LECTURER

2024

- Course: “Elections, Parties, and Public Opinion” (2h).

## Academic Service & Affiliations

### JOURNAL PEER REVIEW

- Comparative European Politics, Frontiers in Political Science, Government and Opposition, Politics & Policy, Quality & Quantity, Regulation & Governance*.

## RESEARCH GROUPS & AFFILIATIONS

### **Political Party Database Project (PPDB)**

MEMBER OF THE ITALIAN CODING UNIT

2018 – Present

### **ECPR Standing Group on Political Parties**

MEMBER

Present

### **SISP Standing Group POPE (Parties, Public Opinion, Elections)**

MEMBER

Present

### **EU&I – Voting Advice Application (European University Institute)**

MEMBER OF THE ITALIAN CODING UNIT

2024

- Coder for the 2024 European Elections.

### **Navigatore Elettorale / Navigatore Politico**

MEMBER OF THE SCIENTIFIC BOARD & CODER

2018, 2022

- Voting Advice Applications for the Italian National Elections.

### **Observatory on Politics and Institutions (OPI), Univ. of Pisa**

AFFILIATE MEMBER

Present

- Section: “Political Parties and Representation” (OPPI).

## Conferences

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

- SISP (Società Italiana di Scienza Politica): 2018, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025.
- ECPR General Conference: 2021, 2024, 2025.
- The Politics and Policy of Transnational Challenges, University of Pisa: 2025.
- Dusseldorf Graduate Conference on Party Research: 2023.

## Skills & Languages

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Methodology      Quantitative Analysis, Comparative Methods, Text Analysis, QCA, Expert Interviews

Software        R, SPSS, fs/QCA, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Office Suite

Languages      Italian (Native), English (C1/Proficient), French (Basic), Spanish (Basic)

## Methodological Training

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### **University of Padua**

Padua, Italy

SUMMER SCHOOL ON “THE ECOSOCIAL CHALLENGE”

2024

### **University of Genoa**

Genoa, Italy

CRASH COURSE IN TEXT ANALYSIS USING R

2023

### **Aarhus University**

Aarhus, Denmark

ECPR SUMMER SCHOOL ON POLITICAL PARTIES

2022

### **University of Wroclaw**

Wroclaw, Poland

SUMMER SCHOOL ON QUANTITATIVE METHODS

2022

### **University of Pisa**

Pisa, Italy

INTRODUCTION TO QCA (QUALITATIVE COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS)

2021

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