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Research interests

My main research interests lie in social and gender inequalities in health, intergenerational relationships, health and well-being across the life course, welfare systems, and quantitative methods for social research. I specialise in analysing large social survey datasets (such as SHARE) and full-population register data. In particular, I analyse data for epidemiological and demographic research. My analytical approach is best described as theory-driven, quantitative empirical research.

Academic positions

- 09/11/2023 – Present **Scientific Collaborator, UCLouvain, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium**, Team member in the BELSPO/FPS Public Health-funded project “Care, Buffering Effects, and Well-being at the Time of the Pandemic and After” (BE-WELL)
PI: Prof. Ester Rizzi
- 01/10/2022 – 30/09/2025 **F.R.S.-FNRS Postdoctoral Fellow, UCLouvain, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium**, “The Education of Adult Children and the Health of their Ageing Parents” (DARLENE) (Main applicant)
- 25/01/2021 – 30/09/2022 **F.R.S.-FNRS [PER] Postdoctoral Researcher, UCLouvain, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium**, “Kin and non-kin ties during the COVID-19 pandemic: contagion or protection for older adults?” (link)
PI: Prof. Ester Rizzi
- 26/06/2017 – 26/12/2020 **PhD Researcher, Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute (NIDI-KNAW), The Hague, the Netherlands**, Research theme Families and Generations; JPI-MYBL-funded project “Care, Retirement & Wellbeing of Older People Across Different Welfare Regimes” (CREW), PI: Prof. Bruno Arpino.
Supervision: Prof. Anne H. Gauthier, Prof. Nardi Steverink, Prof. Tom Emery

Education

- 17/07/2017–
28/03/2022 **PhD in Family Demography and Sociology**, *Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute (NIDI-KNAW) and University of Groningen (the Netherlands)*, **Thesis:** “Gender inequalities in health at older ages: A longitudinal and comparative investigation across European countries”
Supervision: Prof. Anne H. Gauthier, Prof. Nardi Steverink, Prof. Tom Emery
- 06/06/2016–
19/06/2017 **Advanced Course in Technologies for Active and Healthy Aging**, *University of Trento, Department of Information Engineering and Computer Science (Italy)*, **Research Internship:** Six-month placement at the Free University of Bozen–Bolzano with Prof. Giulia Cavrini, as part of the project “Happy Grandparents? A study in South Tyrol on the perception of happiness in over-fifty grandparents”.
- 09/08/2012–
13/07/2016 **Master’s Degree in Sociology and Social Research**, *University of Trento, Department of Sociology and Social Research (Italy)*, **Thesis:** “Social inequalities in health in old age: The role of socioeconomic status and social relationships. A panel analysis on SHARE data, 2004–2013”
Supervision: Prof. Carlo Buzzì
- 14/09/2006–
23/04/2012 **Bachelor’s Degree in “Scienze Sociali per lo Sviluppo” (ex DM 509)**, *University of Cagliari, Faculty of Economics, Law, and Political Sciences (Italy)*, **Thesis:** “Autorità e Potere”
Supervision: Prof. Aide Esu

Visiting appointments and research stays

- 22/09/2025–
26/09/2025 **Department of Sociology**, *University of Vienna (Austria)*
Host: Prof. Valeria Bordone
- 28/04/2025–
23/05/2025 **Institute for Research on Socio-Economic Inequality (IRSEI)**, *University of Luxembourg (Luxembourg)*
Host: Prof. Anja Leist
- 12/02/2020–
25/01/2021 **Statistics Netherlands (CBS – Centraal Bureau voor de Statistiek)**, *The Hague (the Netherlands)*
Host: Prof. Ruben van Gaalen

Publications (peer-reviewed)

- 2025 Menashe-Oren, Ashira, Damiano **Uccheddu**, and Ester Lucia Rizzi. 2025. “Social Ties in Old Age: The Effect of the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *European Journal of Ageing* 22, no. 1: 55. [Reproducibility Files]
- 2025 Tattarini, Giulia, Damiano **Uccheddu**, and Ariane Bertogg. 2025. “Staying Sharp: Gendered Work-Family Life Courses and Later-Life Cognitive Functioning Across Four European Welfare States.” *American Journal of Epidemiology* (online first). [Reproducibility Files]

- 2023 **Uccheddu**, Damiano, and Ester Rizzi. 2023. “Intergenerational Ties and COVID-19 Contagion: A Study on European Adults Aged 50 Years and Older Using SHARE Data.” *The Journals of Gerontology, Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences* 78, no. 4: 749–63. [Reproducibility Files]
- 2022 **Uccheddu**, Damiano, Tom Emery, Anne H. Gauthier, and Nardi Steverink. 2022. “Gendered Work-Family Life Courses and Late-Life Physical Functioning: A Comparative Analysis from 28 European Countries.” *Advances in Life Course Research* 53: 100495. [Reproducibility Files]
- 2022 **Uccheddu**, Damiano, and Ruben van Gaalen. 2022. “Children’s Strains, Parents’ Pains? How Adult Children’s Union Dissolution Influences Older Parents’ Health.” *Journal of Family Research* 34, no. 2: 757–81. [Reproducibility Files]
- 2019 **Uccheddu**, Damiano, Anne H. Gauthier, Nardi Steverink, and Tom Emery. 2019. “Gender and Socioeconomic Inequalities in Health at Older Ages Across Different European Welfare Clusters: Evidence from SHARE Data, 2004–2015.” *European Sociological Review* 35, no. 3: 346–62. [Reproducibility Files]
- 2019 **Uccheddu**, Damiano, Anne H. Gauthier, Nardi Steverink, and Tom Emery. 2019. “The Pains and Reliefs of the Transitions into and out of Spousal Caregiving: A Cross-National Comparison of the Health Consequences of Caregiving by Gender.” *Social Science & Medicine* 240: 112517. [Reproducibility Files]

Book chapters (editor-reviewed)

- 2023 **Uccheddu**, Damiano, and Ester Rizzi. 2023. “*Loneliness in Italy during the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Gender Perspective.*” In *Loneliness and Social Isolation among Older Europeans before and during the COVID-19 Pandemic*, edited by Bruno Arpino, 41–47. International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP). [Reproducibility Files]
- 2021 **Uccheddu**, Damiano, Anne H. Gauthier, Nardi Steverink, and Tom Emery. 2021. “*Gender and Socioeconomic Inequalities in Health after Age 50 in Europe.*” In *Care, Retirement & Wellbeing of Older People across Different Welfare Regimes*, edited by Bruno Arpino, 44–48. International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP). [Reproducibility Files]
- 2021 **Uccheddu**, Damiano, Anne H. Gauthier, Nardi Steverink, and Tom Emery. 2021. “*Gendered Health Burdens and Benefits of Starting and Ending Caregiving.*” In *Care, Retirement & Wellbeing of Older People across Different Welfare Regimes*, edited by Bruno Arpino, 81–86. International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP). [Reproducibility Files]

Manuscripts in preparation and under review

- Delaruelle, Katrijn, Damiano **Uccheddu**, and Jorik Vergauwen. “Loneliness and Internal Residential History: Empirical Evidence from Life Histories and Panel Data

Using SHARE and SHARELIFE” [Manuscript in preparation]

- Tosi, Marco, Damiano **Uccheddu**, and Bruno Arpino. “Kinship Networks and Mental Health: Evidence from a New Online Survey.” [Manuscript in preparation]
- Bijwaard, Govert, and Damiano **Uccheddu**. “Parental Educational Similarity and Inequality Implications for Health in Sweden: Evidence from Register Data on Men Born between 1951 and 1983.” [To be submitted to the Journal of Health Economics]
- Cabaraban, Maria Karlene Shawn, Valeria Bordone, and Damiano **Uccheddu**. “Mind the Gaps: The Hidden Role of Work–Family Life Histories in Shaping Unequal Cognitive Rewards of Grandchild Care in Europe.” [Manuscript in preparation]
- Tattarini, Giulia, Damiano **Uccheddu**, and Ariane Bertogg. “Work–Family Biographies and Later-Life Risk of Cognitive Impairment: What Are the Mediating Mechanisms?” [To be submitted to The Gerontologist]
- **Uccheddu**, Damiano, and Anja Leist. “Adult Children’s Education and Older Parents’ Cognitive Functioning across European Welfare States: Quasi–Experimental Evidence from SHARE, 2004–2022.” [To be submitted to Social Science & Medicine]
- **Uccheddu**, Damiano, Bruno Arpino, and Ester Rizzi. “Close Kin Ties and COVID-19 Outcomes among Older Adults in Europe: The Role of COVID-19 Precautionary Behaviours.” [Manuscript in preparation]
- **Uccheddu**, Damiano, and Marco Tosi. “Health after Age 50: The Role of Adult Children’s Education for Older Parents’ Frailty in Europe.” [Major revisions, Demography]
- **Uccheddu**, Damiano, Ester Rizzi, and Anja Leist. “Social Network Types and Cognitive Functioning in Older Age: Evidence from SHARE, 2010–2022.” [Manuscript in preparation]
- **Uccheddu**, Damiano, Małgorzata Mikucka, and Ester Rizzi. “Social Networks and Depressive Feelings during the COVID–19 Pandemic in Europe.” [Major revisions, Social Indicators Research]

Teaching

2021–2024 **Co-lecturer: EU surveys and opinion polls - LDEMO2650, University of Louvain (UCLouvain), Belgium**
 Co-taught with Prof. Ester Rizzi

Supervision of early-career researchers

04/10/2023 Formal role as PhD supervisor: Sacha Van Duyse (with Prof. Ester Rizzi), University of Louvain (UCLouvain), Belgium, Thesis title: “Health trajectories and family relationships”

- 2022 Master thesis supervision: **Coline Marquebreucq** (with Prof. Ester Rizzi), *University of Louvain (UCLouvain), Belgium*, **Thesis title:** *FR: “Capital social et facteurs de risque socio-familiaux dans l’entrée en maisons de repos”*
EN: “Social capital and socio-familial risk factors in nursing home entry”
- 2021 Master thesis supervision: **Ophélie Goffinet** (with Prof. Ester Rizzi), *University of Louvain (UCLouvain), Belgium*, **Thesis title:** *FR: “Âgé et bien entouré – Le bien-être selon les types de relations sociales chez les 50 ans et plus en Belgique et en Suède”*
EN: “Old and well surrounded – Well-being according to the type of social relationships among the 50+ in Belgium and Sweden”

Grants

- 2025 **F.R.S.-FNRS – Research Stay Abroad Grant**, *Research stay at the Institute for Research on Socio-Economic Inequality (IRSEI), University of Luxembourg, April/May 2025*, **Total funding:** EUR 1,000.
- 2025 **F.R.S.-FNRS – International Networking Workshop Grant**, *Workshop “Cognitive ageing: individuals, institutions, and inequalities” (international networking workshop)*, University of Louvain (UCLouvain), Belgium, **Total funding:** EUR 3,500.
- 2024 **ECSR – International Networking Workshop Grant (with Giulia Tattarini and Ariane Bertogg)**, *“Social Institutions and Cognitive Health in Older Age” (international networking workshop)*, University of Hamburg, Germany, **Total funding:** EUR 5,000.
- 2023 **F.R.S.-FNRS – Mobility and Congress Grant**, *Participation in The Gerontological Society of America’s 2023 Annual Scientific Meeting, Tampa, Florida (8–12 November 2023)*, Tampa, Florida, USA, **Total funding:** EUR 1,000.
- 2022 **COORDINATE Project – Workshops Grant**, *Three national Introductory workshops on longitudinal & cohort data for lay audiences, practitioners, and policy-makers*, Federal Science Policy Office (BELSPO); National Archives of Belgium; UCLouvain Saint-Louis Brussels, **Total funding:** EUR 5,000.
- 2017 **Grant for Specialization Master’s Program**, *Advanced Course in Technologies for Active and Healthy Aging*, University of Trento, Department of Information Engineering and Computer Science (Italy), **Total funding:** EUR 12,000.

Other activities and outputs in the research system

- 2024–present **Guest Editor**, *Social Science & Medicine*, Special Issue: “Understanding cognitive ageing: individuals, institutions, and inequalities”
- 2024–present **Executive Committee Member & Postdoctoral-Researcher Representative**, *Centre for Demographic Research (DEMO)*, University of Louvain (UCLouvain)

- 2025 **Symposium Organizer (with Ariane Bertogg and Giulia Tattarini)**, “Inequalities in Cognitive Functioning: Intersectional and International Perspectives” at the 20th Biennial Conference of the European Society for Health and Medical Sociology (ESHMS) — Intersectionality and Inclusion in Health, University of Antwerp
- 2024 **Member of the organising committee**, Quetelet Seminar 2024 — “Behind and Beyond Numbers: Population Research Through Critical Lenses”, University of Louvain (UCLouvain), November 7–8 2024
- 2023 **Organizer (with Luisa Fadel)**, Stakeholder engagement workshops: Introductory Workshops on Longitudinal and Cohort Data, Brussels, Belgium, 22 May, 31 May & 7 June 2023
- 2022 **Co-organizer (with Małgorzata Mikucka and Ester Rizzi)**, Stakeholder engagement workshop: “Welfare, Wellbeing and Demographic Change: Understanding Welfare Models”, Centre for Demographic Research, UCLouvain, June 22 2022
- 2021 **Organizer (with Ariane Bertogg and Maike van Damme)**, 19th Annual Meeting of the European Network for the Sociological and Demographic Study of Divorce – Divorce Conference 2021, Online (hosts: University of Konstanz; CED – Centre for Demographic Studies; and University of Louvain) [Program], October 13–15 2021
- 2017–2022 **Representative NIDI-KNAW at JPI-MYBL (Joint Programming Initiative “More Years, Better Lives”)**, The Hague, Netherlands
- 2017–2022 **Member**, Families & Generations theme group, NIDI-KNAW; Family Lifecourse and AGeing FLAG group, University of Groningen (RUG)
- 2017–2020 **Member**, Brown Bag Seminar Series Committee, Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute (NIDI-KNAW)

Invited talks

- 10/10/2025 **Invited speaker**, Department of Statistical Sciences, University of Padua, Padua, Italy
KinHealth one-day workshop – Socio-demographic perspectives on kinship: “Kinship networks and mental health: Evidence from a new online survey”. [Event details]
- 22/09/2025 **Invited speaker**, Department of Sociology, University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria
Talk & Discussion: “Beyond single domains: Mapping life-course and daily time-use sequences to study health, well-being, and gender inequality”. [Event details]
- 08/05/2025 **Invited speaker**, Research center “Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Clinical Research” (EPIBIOSTAT – CR2), Free University of Brussels (ULB), Brussels, Belgium
Séminaire de Midi: “Adult children’s education and older parents’ cognitive functioning across European welfare states: Quasi-experimental evidence from SHARE data, 2004–2022”. [Event details]
- 10/11/2022 **Keynote speaker**, Annual Healthy Ageing Symposium, University of Groningen, Groningen, the Netherlands
“Gender inequalities in health at older ages: The importance of a longitudinal and comparative life course approach to health”. [Event details]

Conference presentations

- 03/09/2025– **European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) Conference 2025, Cologne (Germany)**
Presentation: “Social network types and cognitive functioning in older age. Evidence from SHARE data, 2010–2022” [link]
- 04/06/2025– **Italian Association for Population Studies (SIS-AISP)’s “Giornate di Studio sulla Popolazione – Popdays 2025”, University of Cagliari, Cagliari (Italy)**
Presentation: “Adult children’s education and older parents’ cognitive functioning across different European welfare states: Quasi-experimental evidence from SHARE data, 2004–2022” [link]
- 07/11/2024– **Quetelet Seminar 2024, University of Louvain, Ottignies-Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium)**
Presentation: “Work-family histories and cognitive impairment in later life: What mechanisms explain the relationship?” [link]
- 12/09/2024– **European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) Conference 2024, Barcelona (Spain)**
Presentation: “Work-family biographies and later life cognitive disability: What are the mediating mechanisms?” [link]
- 03/07/2024– **Biennial Conference of the European Society of Health and Medical Sociology (ESHMS) 2024, Antwerp (Belgium)**
Presentation: “Health after mid-life: The role of adult children’s education for older parents’ frailty in Europe” [link]
- 12/06/2024– **European Population Conference (EPC) 2024, Edinburgh, Scotland (United Kingdom)**
Presentation: “Work-family biographies and cognitive health in later life: Which mechanisms explain the relationship?” [link]
- 08/11/2023– **Gerontological Society of America (GSA) 2023 Annual Scientific Meeting, Tampa, Florida (United States)**
Presentations: “Health After Age 50: The Role of Adult Children’s Education for Older Parents’ Frailty in Europe” [link]; “Close Kin Ties and COVID-19 Outcomes among Older Adults in Europe: The Role of COVID-19 Precautionary Behaviours” [link]
- 18/09/2023– **European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) Annual Conference 2023, Prague (Czech Republic)**
Presentation: “Close kin ties and COVID-19 outcomes among older adults in Europe: The role of self-protective behaviours” [link]
- 24/05/2023– **RC28 Spring Meeting 2023 — ‘Education and Social Inequality across the Life Course’, Sciences Po, Paris (France)**
Presentation: “Health after Mid-life: The Role of Adult Children’s Education for Older Parents’ Frailty in Europe” [link]
- 12/04/2023– **Population Association of America (PAA) 2023 Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana (United States)**
Presentation: “Family and Nonfamily Ties and Depressive Feelings During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Evidence From the Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe” [link]

- 01/02/2023– **Giornate di Studio sulla Popolazione (Population Days) 2023, Rome (Italy)**
 03/02/2023 **Presentation:** “Close Kin Ties and COVID-19 Outcomes among Older Adults in Europe: The Role of COVID-19 Precautionary Behaviours” [link]
- 29/06/2022– **European Population Conference (EPC) 2022, Groningen (the Netherlands)**
 02/07/2022 **Presentation:** “Family and Non-Family Ties and Depressive Feelings during the COVID-19 Pandemic: Evidence from the Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe (SHARE)” [link]
- 06/04/2022– **Population Association of America (PAA) 2022 Annual Meeting, Online / Atlanta, Georgia (United States)**
 09/04/2022 **Presentation:** “Intergenerational Contacts and COVID-19 Infection During the Pandemic: Evidence From SHARE Data” [link]
- 22/06/2022 **Welfare, Wellbeing and Demographic Change: Understanding Welfare Models, University of Louvain (UCLouvain), Ottignies-Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium)**
Presentation: “Gender and later-life health at the intersection of state, market, and family” [link]
- 25/06/2021 **SHARE Netherlands User Conference, Online / Rotterdam (the Netherlands)**
Presentation: “Children’s Strains, Parents’ Pains? How Adult Children’s Union Dissolution Influences Older Parents’ Health” [link]
- 22/03/2021– **ECSR Spring School on The Impact of Covid-19 on Social Inequality, Online / Turin / Milan (Italy)**
 26/03/2021 **Presentation:** “Intergenerational relationships and COVID-19 infection during the pandemic in Europe. Evidence from SHARE data” [link]
- 16/11/2020– **Dutch Demography Week 2020, Online / Utrecht (the Netherlands)**
 20/11/2020 **Presentation:** “Children’s strains, parents’ pains? How adult children’s union dissolution influences older parents’ physical and mental health” [link]
- 14/10/2020– **18th Meeting of the "European Network for the Sociological and Demographic Study of Divorce", Online / Cologne (Germany)**
 16/10/2020 **Presentation:** “Children’s strains, parents’ pains? How adult children’s union dissolution influences older parents’ physical and mental health” [conference] [program]
- 13/10/2020 **NIDI Brown Bag Seminar, Online / Den Haag (the Netherlands)**
Presentation: “Children’s Strains, Parents’ Pains? How Adult Children’s Union Dissolution Influences Older Parents’ Health”
- 02/07/2020 **Conference of the European Consortium for Sociological Research, Online / Amsterdam (the Netherlands)**
Presentation: “Children’s strains, parents’ pains? How adult children’s union dissolution influences older parents’ physical and mental health” [conference] [abstract]
- 20/11/2019 **Dutch Demography Day 2019, Utrecht University, Utrecht (the Netherlands)**
Presentation: “Work, family, and gender inequality in health: An analysis of the role of work-family conflict in later life health” [conference] [abstract]
- 01/10/2019– **Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR) conference “Multidisciplinary Perspectives on Gender Gaps in Health”, Villa Vigoni, Menaggio (Italy)**
Presentation: “Work, family, and gender inequality in health: A comparative analysis of the role of work-family conflict in later-life health” [conference] [program]

- 02/07/2019 **Family Lifecourse and AGeing (FLAG) meeting, University of Groningen, Groningen (the Netherlands)**
Presentation: “Work, Family, and Gender Inequality in Health: A Comparative Analysis of the Role of Caregiving in Later Life Health”
- 10/04/2019– **Population Association of America (PAA) 2019 Annual Meeting, Austin, Texas (United States)**
13/04/2019 **Presentation:** “Gender inequalities in health in later life: Does informal caregiving matter?”
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- 23/01/2019– **NIDI’s PriMaTE (Primer in Methodological and Theoretical Examples), Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute (NIDI-KNAW), Den Haag (the Netherlands)**
24/01/2019 **Presentation:** “Hybrid and Asymmetric Fixed-Effects Models for Panel Data”
- 11/12/2019– **JPI MYBL Progress Dialogue Meeting (ZonMw), ZonMw, Den Haag (the Netherlands)**
12/12/2019 **Dutch Demography Day 2018, Utrecht University, Utrecht (the Netherlands)**
Presentation: “Gender inequalities in health in later life: Does informal caregiving matter?”
[\[conference\]](#) [\[abstract\]](#)
- 27/11/2018 **JPI-CREW International Workshop – Care, Retirement & Wellbeing of Older People Across Different Welfare Regimes, University of Padua, Padua (Italy)**
Presentation: “Gender inequalities in health in later life: Does informal caregiving matter?”
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- 15/11/2018 **PhD colloquium - “NIDI-KNAW Miniconference”, University of Groningen, Groningen (the Netherlands)**
Presentation: “Gender inequalities in health at older ages. A longitudinal and comparative study. (Overview of the entire PhD project)”
- 08/11/2018 **Annual Healthy Ageing Symposium - Healthy Ageing: Perspectives from the Behavioural and Social Sciences, University of Groningen, Groningen (the Netherlands)**
Presentation: “Gender inequalities in health in later life: Does informal caregiving matter?”
[\[link\]](#)
- 28/06/2018– **FAMHEALTH - Family life courses, intergenerational exchanges and health and well-being in later life (participant), Cumberland Lodge, Great Windsor Park (United Kingdom)**
Links: [\[link\]](#)
- 14/06/2018 **Dag van de Sociologie 2018, Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam, Rotterdam (the Netherlands)**
Presentation: “Gender inequalities in health in later life: Does informal caregiving matter?”
[\[program\]](#) [\[abstract\]](#)
- 06/06/2018– **European Population Conference 2018, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels (Belgium)**
09/06/2018 **Presentation:** “Gender inequalities in health in later life: Does informal caregiving matter?”
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- 06/02/2018 **Family Lifecourse and AGeing (FLAG) meeting, University of Groningen, Groningen (the Netherlands)**
Presentation: “Logistic regression: Are we doing something wrong?”
- 22/11/2017 **Dutch Demography Day 2017, Utrecht University, Utrecht (the Netherlands)**
Presentation: “Gender and socioeconomic inequalities in health at older ages in Europe: evidence from SHARE data, 2004-2015” [program] [abstract]
- 17/05/2017– **Life-course influences on retirement: Researchers' and stakeholders' perspectives, University of Helsinki, Helsinki (Finland)**
19/05/2017 **Presentation:** “The role of socioeconomic status on health at older ages across different European welfare clusters: evidence from SHARE data, 2004-2013” [link]
- 08/02/2017– **Italian Population Days 2017 - Giornate di Studio sulla Popolazione 2017, University of Florence, Florence (Italy)**
10/02/2017 **Presentations:** “The role of social participation on self-reported health, ADL and IADL of people aged 65+: a fixed effects approach using data from SHARE, 2004-2013” [link]; “The role of socioeconomic status on health at older ages across different European welfare clusters: evidence from SHARE data, 2004-2013” [link] [program]

Research and policy metrics

- **H-index:** 4 as indexed by Web of Science, and 4 according to Google Scholar.
- **Policy impact:** Research cited in public policy documents through SAGE Policy Profiles.

Stakeholder engagement and policy networks (through projects)

- 2018–Present **European civil society & advocacy networks**
Population Europe: Daniela Vono de Vilhena, Andreas Edel · **COFACE-Families Europe:** Annemie Drieskens · **AGE Platform Europe:** Philippe Seidel Leroy · **Eurocarers:** Stecy Yghemonos · **UNI Global Union – UNI Care:** Mark Bergfeld · **Kempten University:** Johanna Schütz (Digital Health & Social Care)
- 2018–Present **International policy & research institutions**
OECD: Maciej Lis (Social Policy Division) · **Eurofound:** Anna Ludwinek · **European Commission:** Ciarán Nicholl · **European Parliament:** Alojz Peterle (MEP) · **Netherlands Institute for Social Research (SCP):** Maja Djundeva · **University of Liège:** Sergio Perelman (SHARE Country Team Leader)
- 2020–Present **Belgian national stakeholders**
Research & Policy: Federal Planning Bureau (Marie Vandresse) · IWEPS · Belgian Institute for the Equality of Women and Men · **BELSPO:** Federal Science Policy · **Practice & Advocacy:** National Federation of Nurses of Belgium · GreyPride

Peer-reviewing

All my verified review records are available on my Web of Science profile. I currently review manuscripts for the following journals: Social Science & Medicine (8); Ageing and Society (5); European Journal of Ageing (4); Advances in Life Course Research (3); European Societies (3); The Gerontologist (3); Journal of Population Ageing (2); Longitudinal and Life Course Studies (2); The Journals of Gerontology: Series A, Biological Sciences and Medical Sciences (2); American Journal of Epidemiology (1); Demography (1); European Journal of Population (1); Geriatrics & Gerontology International (1); Journal of Family Research (JFR) (1); Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (1); Nature Scientific Reports (1); The Journals of Gerontology: Series B (1); Health Economics (1).

Memberships

European Association for Population Studies (EAPS), European Society of Health and Medical Sociology (ESHMS), European Divorce Network (EUDIV), Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Italian Association for Population Studies (SIS-AISP), Population Association of America (PAA), Research Committee on “Social Stratification and Social Mobility” of the ISA (International Sociological Association) (RC28).