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RESEARCH INTERESTS

PRIMARY International Trade
SECONDARY Industrial Organization, Labor, Development

CURRENT AFFILIATIONS

Bank of Italy	2024 -
Research Fellow	
CEPR (International Trade and Regional Economics)	2025 -
Research Affiliate	
CESifo (Area Global Economy)	2024 -
Research Network Affiliate	

EDUCATION

Université Libre de Bruxelles (ECARES) , PhD in Economics	2021 - 2024
Tilburg University , Research Master in Economics	2017 - 2019
Carlos III University of Madrid , Master in Economic Analysis	2015 - 2017
Tor Vergata University of Rome , Bachelor in Economics	2012 - 2015

ACADEMIC VISITS

London School of Economics	2022 - 2023
Center for Economic Performance (CEP) and Management Department	

PUBLICATIONS

[The High and Falling Price of Cement in Africa](#), **American Economic Journal: Applied Economics** 2025
with R. Macchiavello and T. Reed

WORKING PAPERS

[Multinationals, Robots, and the Labor Share](#), **Revised and Resubmitted to European Economic Review**
Best paper prize at RIEF 2021, JEI 2021, SIEPI 2022

[Global Robots Revision requested by the Journal of the European Economic Association](#)
Best paper prize at ETSG 2023, EGI 2023, Bologna PhD Workshop 2023, RIEF 2024, CESifo Area Conference on Global Economy 2024

[Multinational Networks and Trade Participation](#)
with P. Conconi, G. Magerman, and C. Thomas

[Market Structure, Vertical Integration and Farmers' Welfare in the Costa Rica Coffee Industry](#)
with R. Macchiavello, J. Miquel-Florensa, and N. Pavanini

[How Global are Local Value Chains?](#)
with A. Borin, F.P. Conteduca, M. Mancini, and P. Zoi

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Impact of Trade Wars on Firms in Third Countries: Evidence from Italy
with F.P. Conteduca, M. Errico, L. Panon and G. Romanini

Vertical Integration and Inter-Firm Relationships: Evidence from the Costa Rica Coffee Chain
with R. Macchiavello and J. Miquel-Florensa

Trade Agreements and the Relationship between Global and Domestic Supply Chains
with P. Conconi, E. Dhyne, G. Magerman, and C. Thomas

RESEARCH GRANTS

F.R.S. - F.N.R.S. ASP Research Fellowship	2022 - 2024
Doctoral Scholarship, ECARES (Université Libre de Bruxelles)	2019 - 2022
Koopmans Scholarship for MRes Students, Tilburg Universiteit	2017 - 2019
Scholarship for Master Students, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid	2015 - 2017
Scholarship for Academic Excellence, Italian Ministry of Economics and Finance	2014 - 2015

RESEARCH AWARDS

Best paper prize, CESifo Area Conference on Global Economy	2024
Best paper prize, Research in International Economics and Finance Doctoral Meeting (RIEF)	2024
Young Economist Best Presentation Award, Bologna PhD Workshop	2023
Best paper prize (Review of World Economics), European Trade Study Group (ETSG)	2023
Best paper prize (Wim Meeusen prize), Economics of Global Interactions Workshop (EGI)	2023
Best paper prize (Fabio Gobbo prize), Società Italiana di Economia e Politica Industriale (SIEPI)	2022
Best paper prize, Research in International Economics and Finance Doctoral Meeting (RIEF)	2021
Best paper prize, Jornadas de Economía Industrial (JEI)	2021
T.E.C.O. Certificate for Outstanding Italian Students, Italian Ministry of Education	2015

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Firms and Markets, The London School of Economics - Master in Economics and Management	Spring 2022
TA for Prof. Rocco Macchiavello	
Political Economy, Université Libre de Bruxelles - Advanced Master in Political Economy	Fall 2021
TA for Prof. Micael Castanheira	
International Trade, Université Libre de Bruxelles - Bachelor in Economics	Spring 2021
TA for Prof. Mathieu Parenti	
Advanced International Trade, Université Libre de Bruxelles - Master in Economics	Spring 2020 and 2021
TA for Prof. Mathieu Parenti	
Dynamic Macroeconomics, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid - Bachelor in Economics	Spring 2017
TA for Prof. Luisa Fuster	
International Political Economy, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid - Bachelor in Political Sciences	Fall 2016
TA for Prof. Ricardo Mora	

TEACHING AWARDS

London School of Economics Class Teacher Awards (Highly Commended)
Outstanding Teaching Award, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

2022
Fall 2016

GUEST LECTURES

Tor Vergata University of Rome, undergraduate course in International Economics

2025

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

(Unpaid) Consultant for Instituto del Café de Costa Rica (ICAFE)	Spring 2021
Traineeship (Research Program for Young Researchers) at National Bank of Belgium	2020 - 2021
Research Assistant for G. Magerman	Spring 2020
Research Assistant for R. Macchiavello, J. Miquel-Florencio and N. Pavanini	Spring 2019
Co-organizer of the PhD breakfast seminar at ECARES	2020 - 2021
Co-organizer of the Python-do-ECARES reading group on reproducible research	Spring 2020

PRESENTATIONS (PAST AND SCHEDULED)

University of Verona, Italian Trade Study Group (ITSG), European Research Workshop in International Trade (ERWIT), CESifo Area Conference on Global Economy, Université de Namur, Automation, Productivity, and the Labor Market Workshop, Bank of Italy
2025

EIEF, Oxford University, Imperial College Business School, CSEF Naples, Tor Vergata University of Rome, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Nottingham University, Bank of Italy, World Bank, University of Toronto, Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College, Empirical Investigations in Trade and Investment (EITI), Public/Trade Seminar at the Ludwig-Maximilians Universität München (LMU), RIEF Doctoral Meeting, CESifo Area Conference on Global Economy, CESifo Venice Summer Institute 2024, CESifo Workshop on Trade, Market Failures, and Development
2024

Applied Young Economists Webinar (AYEW), Transatlantic Doctoral Conference (TADC), ECARES Seminar, 5th QMUL Economics and Finance Workshop, Leuven-Louvain Trade Workshop, Royal Economic Society PhD Conference, LSE International Economics Workshop, Oxford Workshop in International Trade, Workshop on Dynamic Macroeconomics, European Association for Research in Industrial Economics (EARIE), European Economic Association (EEA), International Conference on Economics of Global Interactions (EGI), European Trade Study Group (ETSG), Bologna PhD Workshop, LSE Capabilities, Competition and Innovation Seminars, CEP-Warwick Junior Trade Workshop, Firms, Trade and Productivity Workshop, Alicante Eco Junior Workshop, Cambridge Trade Workshop, Bocconi Trade Tea Seminar, King's College London Junior Research Day, Investment and Competitiveness in a Changing World, European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society
2023

FIW Research Conference "International Economics", LSE International Economics Workshop, ECARES Lunch Seminar, Annual GEP/CEPR Postgraduate Conference, European Meeting of the Urban Economics Association, GEP-CEPR Summer International Trade Workshop, SIEPI Workshop, Barcelona Summer Forum - Applied Industrial Organization, European Research Workshop in International Trade (ERWIT), Workshop on International Economic Networks (WIEN), CORA Conference on Automation and Robotization, EIEF-IGIER-UNIBO Workshop on Industrial Organization
2022

ECARES Lunch Seminar, International Industrial Organization Conference (IIOC), Queen Mary University of London Economics and Finance Workshop for PhD & Post-doctoral Students, Conference on International Economics (CIE), European Economic Association (EEA), Jornadas de Economía Industrial, Young Economist Symposium, RIEF Doctoral Meeting, European Trade Study Group (ETSG), ENTER Jamboree, University

College of London PhD Students' Brown Bag seminar, KIIS Workshop (invited speaker)	2021
ECARES PhD Workshop, Joint PhD Winter Seminar UC Namur, UC Louvain and Saint-Louis	2020

REFEREEING ACTIVITY

Journal of International Economics, Applied Economics Letters, Oxford Economic Papers, Canadian Journal of Economics, Review of World Economics, International Journal of Industrial Organization, Review of International Economics, Journal of Law, Economics and Organization, Review of Political Economy , Economica

OTHER INFORMATION

Languages	Italian (Native), English (Advanced), Spanish (Advanced), French (Basic)
Programming	Julia, Matlab, R, Stata, Python

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