

FABIO TORREGGIANI

SCIENTIFIC POSITIONS

University of Trento - University of Torino

Post-Doctoral Fellow - Department of Sociology and Social Research
PRIN - Echo CHambers, Opinions and Behaviours in Italy (ECHO-BIT).

*March 2024 - present
Trento, IT*

Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas

Visiting Graduate Scholar
Instituto de Políticas y Bienes Públicos. Sponsor: Amalia Alvarez Benjumea.

*September 2023 - December 2023
Madrid, ES*

EDUCATION

University of Milan - NASP

PhD - Department of Political and Social Sciences
PhD Student in "Economic Sociology and Labour Studies". Thesis titled "Don't be Fooled by Fake News? Mapping the Social, Cognitive, and Political Mechanisms of Misinformation Beliefs". Supervisors: Aron Szekely (Collegio Carlo Alberto) and Gabriele Ballarino (University of Milan). Thesis submitted in April 2024.

October 2020 - February 2025

Milan, IT

University of Bologna

MSc. - Department of Political and Social Sciences
Two-year master degree in "Politics, Administration and Organization". Thesis in "Method and Data Analysis Techniques" titled "The agenda of politics and media on Italian social media. An analysis through topic modeling techniques", under the supervision of prof. Marco Albertini.
Final grade: 110/110 with distinction.

September 2017 - March 2020

Bologna, IT

Institut d'Etude Politique de Toulouse

MSc. - Master de Droit, Economie, Gestion - mention Science Politique
During my master degree, which consisted in a double degree, I attended, for a semester, the Master 2 in "Conseil et Expertise en action publique".
Final grade: mention Bien.

September 2018 - March 2019

Toulouse, FR

University of Bologna

BSc. - Department of Political and Social Sciences
Bachelor degree in "Political, Social And International Sciences". Thesis in "Public policy analysis" titled "Public policies of waste management in the Provincia di Reggio Emilia", under the supervision of prof. Rodolfo Lewanski. Final grade: 104/110

September 2013 - March 2017

Bologna, IT

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Computational social sciences, fake news & misinformation, online experiments, anti-elitism, social norms, echo chambers.

RESEARCH PRODUCTS

Current projects:

1. "Sociological mechanisms of misinformation perception. A survey experiment on the role of social norms and anti-elitism" - co-authored with Aron Szekely - Collegio Carlo Alberto
2. "Truth Discernment and Electoral Results: Do People Believe More to News Favouring Electoral Winners?" - within ECHO-BIT PRIN project

3. "Multimedia political exposure: an integrated analysis of survey and behavioral data" - within ECHO-BIT PRIN project
4. "You Are What You Eat: How the Quality of Media Diets Influence Truth Discernment" - within ECHO-BIT PRIN project

TEACHING

Collegio Carlo Alberto (Torino)

Teaching Assistant

"Applied Statistics for Social and Political Sciences" within the "Allievi Honors Program".

March 2024 - May 2024

Instructor: Daniel Auer

University of Torino

Teaching Assistant

"Statistica Sociale" (Social Statistics) within the MSc. in "Sociology".

February 2024 - May 2024

Instructor: Dalit Contini

University of Torino

Teaching Assistant

"Statistica Sociale" (Social Statistics) within the MSc. in "Sociology".

February 2023 - May 2023

Instructor: Dalit Contini

AWARDS, GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

1. 2022. **Research grant:** Collegio Carlo Alberto Mini Seed Grants Program (funded by Collegio Carlo Alberto): **€6000**

CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

1. September 2024 - SISP Conference 2024 (Società Italiana di Scienze Politiche) - Trieste
2. September 2024 - 6th ACES (Annual Conference of Experimental Sociology) - Turin
3. July 2024 - EPSA Conference 2024 (European Political Science Association) - Cologne
4. June 2024 - Convegno AssoComPol 2024 (Associazione Italiana di Scienze Politiche - Catania
5. April 2024 - University of Turin - Seminari "Ricerca e società digitale" ("Research and digital society" research) - terza edizione - Turin
6. February 2024 - VIII Convegno SISEC (Società Italiana di Sociologia Economica) - Cagliari
7. September 2023 - APSA Conference (119th American Political Science Association Annual Meeting & Exhibition) - Los Angeles
8. June 2023 - NASP - CCA Days 2023 - Turin
9. April 2023 - University of Turin - Seminari "Ricerca e società digitale" ("Research and digital society" research) - seconda edizione - Turin
10. February 2023 - VII Convegno SISEC (Società Italiana di Sociologia Economica) - Brescia
11. June 2022 - EPSA Conference 2022 (European Political Science Association) - Prague
12. June 2022 - 5th Joint Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference - Milan
13. June 2022 - NASP - CCA Days 2022 - Turin
14. June 2022 - UCL - 2nd Workshop in Experimental Sociology - Online
15. June 2021 - NASP - CCA Days 2021: Frontiers of Methods in Social and Political Sciences - Turin

SUMMER SCHOOLS

1. Summer School in Experimental Methods & Simulations in Social and Cognitive Sciences - HSE University (EMS-SCS 2021) (online)

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Modeling and Analysis	Advanced knowledge of R, Python and Stata
Other technical competences	Topic modeling (LDA with gensim), Scraping (Facebook, Twitter, Reddit, websites), API interactions, Regular expressions, Data Visualization (ggplot2 & matplotlib), Cleaning and pre-processing of textual data, Linear regressions, Multilevel regressions, Factor Analysis with PCA and PFA, Agent-based modelling, Web development (with Shiny, basic knowledge of HTML, CSS and JavaScript), Simulation of data (with Stata and R) Large Language Models API interaction (Gemini, Mistral and ChatGPT)
Software & Tools	MS Office, Latex & Overleaf, R Markdown, oTree, Qualtrics, NetLogo, LimeSurvey

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Italian	Native speaker
French	Fluent (C1)
English	Fluent (C1)
Spanish	Intermediate (B1)

Date: December 6, 2024