

# Federico Maria Ferrara

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## CURRENT POSITION

**European Central Bank** Frankfurt, Germany  
DG SSM GOVERNANCE & OPERATIONS - TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION DIVISION  
*Graduate Programme Participant* 9/2021 - present

- Engaging with supervisory business areas and authorities to share, connect and collaborate on supervisory technologies
- Drafting presentations, speeches, and memos for Senior Management and Supervisory Board
- Designing quantitative text analysis models to analyze large volumes of supervisory documents

## PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

**London School of Economics and Political Science** London, UK  
EUROPEAN INSTITUTE  
*Research Officer* 9/2020 - 8/2021

- Designing large-scale public opinion survey in 15 EU countries containing embedded survey experiments
- Designing and implementing elite survey with Members of the European Parliament on ECB accountability
- Designing quantitative text analysis models to analyze communication of the Members of the European Parliament in ECB parliamentary hearings

**European Central Bank** Frankfurt, Germany  
DG COMMUNICATIONS - GLOBAL MEDIA RELATIONS DIVISION  
*Communications Specialist* 9/2019 - 8/2020  
*Ph.D. Trainee* 9/2018 - 8/2019

- Producing regular reports of media coverage on the ECB using quantitative text analysis techniques
- Conducting technical analysis of speeches, including message tracking and topic modelling
- Creating coverage reports for ECB press conferences and publications based on market information systems, news aggregators, and social listening tools
- Conducting ongoing and ad hoc research on ECB communications and European public opinion

**University of Geneva** Geneva, Switzerland  
POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT  
*Research Assistant* 9/2016 - 8/2018

- Designing quantitative text analysis models to analyze large volumes of economic news and public speeches
- Designing large-scale public opinion survey in 5 EU countries containing embedded survey experiments

## EDUCATION

### University of Geneva

Geneva, Switzerland

Ph.D. in Political Science

11/2020

Doctoral Thesis: “The Political Economy of the European Central Bank: Economic Ideas and Strategic Action in the Euro Crisis”

Link: [UniGe Archive](#)

Committee: Thomas Sattler (Advisor), Simon Hug (Chair), Maurizio Ferrera (External Examiner), and Manuela Moschella (External Examiner)

### London School of Economics and Political Science

London, UK

M.Sc. in International Political Economy

10/2016

### Bocconi University

Milan, Italy

B.Sc. in Economics and Social Sciences, *cum Laude*

10/2015

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Ferrara, Federico Maria (forthcoming) “Why Does Import Competition Favor Republicans? Localized Trade Shocks and Cultural Backlash in the US”, *Review of International Political Economy*

Link: [SSRN](#)

In the media: [The New York Times](#); [Chicago Booth Review](#)

Ferrara, Federico Maria and Siria Angino (2021) “Does Clarity Make Central Banks More Engaging? Lessons from ECB Communications” *European Journal of Political Economy* (online first)

Link: [Publisher \(open access\)](#)

In the media: [Les Echos](#)

Ferrara, Federico Maria, Donato Masciandaro, Manuela Moschella and Davide Romelli “Political Voice on Monetary Policy: Evidence from the Parliamentary Hearings of the European Central Bank” *European Journal of Political Economy* (online first)

Link: [Publisher](#); [SSRN](#)

In the media: [VoxEU](#)

Angino, Siria, Federico Maria Ferrara and Stefania Secola (2021) “The Cultural Origins of Institutional Trust: The Case of the European Central Bank”, *European Union Politics* (online first)

Link: [Publisher \(open access\)](#)

Ferrara, Federico Maria and Hanspeter Kriesi (2021) “Crisis Pressures and European Integration”, *Journal of European Public Policy* (online first)

Link: [Publisher \(open access\)](#)

Ferrara, Federico Maria, Jörg Haas, Andrew Peterson and Thomas Sattler (2021) “Exports vs. Investment: How Political Discourse Shapes Popular Support for External Imbalances”, *Socio-Economic Review* (online first)

Link: [Publisher](#); [SSRN](#)

Ferrara, Federico Maria (2020) “The Battle of Ideas on the Euro Crisis: Evidence from ECB Inter-Meeting Speeches”, *Journal of European Public Policy*, 27 (10): 1463-1486

Link: [Publisher](#); [SSRN](#)

In the media: [LSE EUROPP](#); [EuVisions](#); [Medium](#)

Ferrara, Federico Maria and Thomas Sattler (2018) “The Political Economy of Financial Markets”, *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*, July 2018

Link: [Publisher](#); [SSRN](#)

WORKING PAPERS	<p>“Gender and Economic Policy: When Do Women Speak with Authority on Economic Issues? Evidence from the Euro Area” (with Cristina Bodea, Andrew Kerner and Thomas Sattler)  Link: <a href="#">SSRN</a></p> <p>“What Difference Does the Framing of a Crisis Make to EU Solidarity?” (with Waltraud Schelkle and Zbigniew Truchlewski)  Pre-analysis plan: <a href="#">Harvard Dataverse</a></p>
SELECTED MEDIA	<p>Ferrara, Federico Maria, Donato Masciandaro, Manuela Moschella and Davide Romelli 2021. “Discovering the Political Phillips Curve: Parliamentary Voice on ECB Monetary Policy”, <a href="#">VoxEU</a></p> <p>Ferrara, Federico Maria 2018. “Parole per il Nuovo Governo”, <a href="#">LaVoce.info</a></p> <p>Cerrato, Andrea, Federico Maria Ferrara and Francesco Ruggieri 2017. “Trump’s Plan to Roll Back Medicaid Will Especially Affect his Voters”, <a href="#">The Washington Post</a></p> <p>Cerrato, Andrea, Federico Maria Ferrara and Francesco Ruggieri 2016. “Trump Won in Counties that Lost Jobs to China and Mexico”, <a href="#">The Washington Post</a></p>
INVITED SEMINARS	<p>Bank of Italy (chair), <i>Banca d’Italia and Federal Reserve Board Joint Conference on Nontraditional Data &amp; Statistical Learning</i>, 12/2020</p> <p>Central Bank of Ireland (presenter), <i>Opportunities and Challenges in Economic Policy Communications</i> (Organisers: James Cross and Nicole Baerg), 1/2020</p> <p>European Central Bank (presenter), <i>Knowledge and Attitudes towards the ECB: New Data and Applications</i>, 10/2019</p> <p>Bank of Italy (discussant), <i>Workshop on Big Data &amp; Machine Learning Applications for Central Banks</i>, 10/2019</p>
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	<p>SASE Conference (Online), 6/2021</p> <p>CES Conference (Online), 6/2021</p> <p>PEIO Seminar (Online), 2/2021</p> <p>EUSA Biennial Conference, Denver, US, 5/2019</p> <p>IPES Annual Conference, Boston, US, 11/2018</p> <p>APSA Annual Conference, Boston, US, 8/2018</p> <p>MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago, US, 4/2018</p> <p>EPSA Annual Conference, Milano, Italy, 6/2017</p>
REFeree	<p><i>Journal of European Public Policy, Economic Inquiry, Review of International Political Economy, European Union Politics, Journal of Population Economics, European Journal of Political Economy</i></p>
AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS	<p>Swiss National Science Foundation, Summer School Scholarship, 5/2017 &amp; 5/2018</p> <p>Italian Ministry of Education, National Award for Excellence, 7/2012</p> <p>Regione Lombardia, Dote Merito, 7/2012</p>
SKILLS	<p><b>Programming Skills</b></p> <p>Stata, R, Python, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X</p> <p><b>Languages</b></p> <p>Italian (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), German (intermediate)</p>