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EDUCATION

PhD in Economics

University of Zurich, Department of Economics.

August 2018 - Present

Zurich, Switzerland

Supervisors: Hans-Joachim Voth, David Yanagizawa-Drott

Research interests: political economy, economic history, development economics

Working paper:

- “Harvesting Votes: The Electoral Effects of the Italian Land Reform”
with Bruno Caprettini and Lorenzo Casaburi (pdf available [here](#))

Other work in progress:

- “The imperfect union: labor racketeering, corruption exposure, and its consequences”
(job market paper)
- “Agricultural Practices, Organized Workers and Female Political Empowerment: Evidence from Italian *Mondine*” with Luca Bagnato and Yu Pan

Visiting PhD student

University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy (Prof. James Robinson)

February 2022 - August 2022

Chicago, USA

Master of Science in Economics and Finance (Economics program)

Barcelona Graduate School of Economics (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

Sep. 2016 - July 2017

Barcelona, Spain

Thesis: “Depreciation Rates of R&D Capital and the Labor Share”

Individual Courses: Statistics (with Honors); Mathematics

University of Udine, Department of Economics and Statistics

February 2015 - July 2016

Udine, Italy

Bachelor Degree in International Studies and Diplomacy

University of Trieste, 110/110 with honors

October 2012 - September 2015

Trieste, Italy

Thesis: “Economic growth: empirical evidence and models”

TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Zurich, Department of Economics

Research Assistant for Professor Hans-Joachim Voth and Bruno Caprettini

September 2017 - July 2018

Zurich, Switzerland

- Work on several research projects using STATA, ArcGIS and Python.

Barcelona Graduate School of Economics

Research Assistant for Professors Luigi Pascali and Sascha Becker

August 2017

Barcelona, Spain

- Digitization of historical data on German noble families.

University of Maastricht - European Model United Nations

Delegate of the European Parliament, representing Austria

29 March - 3 April 2015

Maastricht, Netherlands

- Debating topics: European Social Fund; TTIP.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Econ Conference Grant – University of Zurich

September 2022

UZH Doc.Mobility fellowship – University of Zurich

May 2021

Funding 6-months visiting period at Harris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago

TEACHING AND THESES SUPERVISION

Teaching at University of Zurich, Department of Economics

- BA in Economics:
 - Development Economics (Professor Hans-Joachim Voth), fall 2019 and fall 2020
 - Global Policy Analysis: Poverty, Development, Growth (Professor Dina Pomeranz), spring 2020
 - Introduction to Economic Inequality (Professor Anne Brenøe), fall 2022
- MSc in Economics:
 - Program Evaluation and Causal Inference (Professor Pietro Biroli), spring 2021

Theses supervision at University of Zurich, Department of Economics

- Bachelor theses (3 students), Professor Lorenzo Casaburi

ORGANISATION OF CONFERENCES

2020 Swiss Workshop on “Political Economy and Development”, 08–10 July, 2020

PRESENTATIONS IN CONFERENCES

- “Harvesting Votes: The Electoral Effects of the Italian Land Reform” (Caprettini, Casaburi, Venturini, 2023)
 - March 5, 2021. Workshop *Redistributive Taxation: Optimal Design and Political Economy Forces* organized by the Cluster of Excellence ECONtribute (University of Bonn and University of Cologne) and the ZEW Mannheim.
 - June 30, 2021. Swiss Workshop on “Political Economy and Development”
 - December 8, 2022. Workshop *Frontiers in Political Economy: Clientelism, Corruption and Social Policy*, University of Zurich. Program of the workshop available [here](#).
- “Agricultural Practices, Organized Workers and Female Political Empowerment: Evidence from Italian *Mondine*”
 - September 9, 2022. SASCA Ph.D. Conference 2022, organized by Ca’ Foscari University of Venice and University of Sassari. Program of the conference available [here](#).
- “The imperfect union: labor racketeering, corruption exposure, and its consequences”
 - March 24, 2023. Lewis Lab Graduate Student Workshop at the University of Manchester. Program of the workshop available [here](#)
 - July 1, 2023. 24th IZA Summer School in Labor Economics.

COMPUTER SKILLS AND LANGUAGES

IT Skills	Stata, ArcGIS, Python, R, L ^A T _E X, Microsoft Office, GIMP, Geogebra, iMovie
Languages	Italian: mother tongue; English: C2; German: B1

PERSONAL SKILLS, ADDITIONAL COMMITMENTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Competitive Sport: Roller Figure Skating, Show Group

2009 - 2016

FISR (Italian Roller Sports Federation), FIRS (International Roller Sports Federation)