


## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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**PROFILE**

Geographer, expert in international relations on mobility and transport, sustainable development, and EU-funded projects, with more than five years of experience.

I worked as transport policy analyst for TRT Trasporti e Territorio in Milan, working on projects and research studies mostly funded by the European Parliament and the European Commission, focusing on several transport-related topics (e.g. modal shift, light commercial vehicles, second hand car market, etc.).

Before that, I worked for the European Academy of Bolzano (EURAC) as project officer, actively involved in the implementation of projects funded by the EU. Moreover, I worked as consultant of the Italian Ministry of the Environment, Land and Sea with reference to the activities of the Alpine Convention, participating as member of the Italian delegation in different thematic working groups.

Currently, I am working as network planning manager for Flixbus, focusing on the expansion and planning of new routes within the Italian market.

During my studies, I spent nine months at the University College Cork (Rep. of Ireland) as visiting Erasmus student. In addition to Italian, I speak fluently English, French and I have a basic knowledge of German.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

15<sup>th</sup> March 2020 – ongoing**Network planning manager****Flixbus GmbH**Karl-Liebknecht Str. 33, 10178 Berlin, Germany – [www.flixbus.com](http://www.flixbus.com)**Main activities and responsibilities**

- Planning of new long-distance bus lines across Italy and beyond.
- Monitoring, optimisation, and development of current operating lines in the business region.
- Carry out business data analysis on a wide range of KPIs, such as capacity, frequency, seasonality, tickets sold, revenues, overall costs etc.

**Business or sector** Transport planning, mobility service, tech industry, business analytics.5<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2016 – 14<sup>th</sup> March 2020**Transport policy analyst****TRT Trasporti e Territorio Srl (TRT)**Via Rutilia 10/8, 20141 Milan, Italy – [www.trt.it](http://www.trt.it)**Main activities and responsibilities**

- Realisation of a **study** on **light commercial vehicles** (LCVs) fleet and activity in Europe. (European Commission's Joint Research Centre) (2018 - 2019).
- Technical support for the identification and the collection of a set of **sustainable urban mobility indicators** ("**SUMI**") in 50 European large and small urban areas to the (European Commission's DG MOVE, MOVE/B4/2017-358) (2017 – 2019).
- Realisation of a **study** commissioned by the Transport and Tourism Committee (TRAN) of the **European Parliament** on **modal shift** in the European Union (2018).
- Member of the TRT's team in the "**Maas4EU** - Mobility as a Service for Europe" project (Horizon 2020 – Societal challenges: Smart, Green And Integrated Transport) (2017 – 2020).
- **Technical Assistance** on the development of pilot action no. 6 of the "**CONNECT2CE** - Improved rail connections and smart mobility in Central Europe" project (Interreg Central Europe Programme 2014 – 2020) (2018 – 2020).
- **Technical Assistance** on the intermediate and final evaluation of the "**ADRIPASS** – Integrating multimodal connections in the Adriatic-Ionian region" project (Interreg ADRION Programme 2014 - 2020) (2018 - 2020).
- Realisation of a **study** commissioned by the Transport and Tourism Committee (TRAN) of the **European Parliament** on odometer tampering in the second-hand car market in Europe (2017).
- Member of the TRT's team for the European project "**ELTIS** - Web Portal Management & Development support and **Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans uptake**, information portal for urban mobility at EU level (2018 – 2021).
- Member of the TRT's team for the European project "**Transport Research and Information Portal**" (**TRIP**, now **TRIMIS**), one single portal for all transport research conducted at EU and national levels and in EU countries. Realisation of thematic reports on transport **safety** and **security**.
- Preparation of proposals and expressions of interest for Request for Proposals/Invitations to Tender for EU and international donors (EU Commission DG MOVE and DG REGIO, JRC, World Bank).

**Business or sector** Transport policy, sustainable mobility, international relations, EU projects.

1<sup>st</sup> July 2012 – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016**Junior project officer / Consultant of the Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea****European Academy of Bolzano/Bozen (EURAC)**, Institute for regional development and location managementc/o representing Office in Rome, Via Ludovisi 45, 00187 Rome – [www.eurac.edu](http://www.eurac.edu)**Main activities and responsibilities**

- Scientific advisor to EURAC for the European project "[AlpInfoNet](#) – Sustainable Information Network for the Alpine Space" (Alpine Space Programme 2007/2013).
- Consulting for the European project "[ADRIA A](#) – Accessibility and Development for the re-launch of the inner Adriatic area" (Cross-border cooperation programme Italy – Slovenia 2007-2013) to the Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea.
- Member of the technical-scientific Secretariat of the [Italian Presidency of the Alpine Convention 2013/2014](#), coordinated by the Italian Ministry for the Environment. Strongly involved in the organization of public events and [workshops](#) in Europe focused on sustainable mobility and tourism.
- Member of the Italian delegation of the [Working Group "Transport"](#), [Working Group "UNESCO World Heritage"](#) and ["Sustainable Tourism" of the Alpine Convention](#). Contribution to the realization of tailored research activities and studies focused on urban / interurban mobility and city logistics, as well as representing the Italian delegation of the Alpine Convention at negotiating tables.
- Assisting the **Italian Ministry of the Environment, Land and Sea** within the framework of programmes financially supported by the EU - such as the **Alpine Space Programme** - supporting the preparation of meetings and documents regarding the National Committee of the Programme. Support to negotiations and works related to the preparation of the [EUSALP](#) – European Strategy for the Alpine region, particularly related to Pillar no. 2.
- Drafting of documents and texts **supporting institutional activities** of the Italian Ministry of the Environment implementing the Alpine Convention both for internal and external use, and in the frame of further international organizations, notably **UNEP Vienna**, **ONU ECE** in the frame of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme ([THE PEP](#)), the Central European Initiative and the Carpathian Convention.
- Organizing two editions of the Scientific Workshop on Mountain Mobility and Transport "**SWOMM**", initiative promoted since 2005 by the Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2012 (Gorizia) and 11<sup>th</sup> December 2013 (United Nations, Vienna).
- Participation to international meetings, workshops and conferences in different European Countries

**Business or sector** Sustainable development, sustainable mobility, international relations, European projects, environmental policy.

January 2012 – July 2012

**Trainee****European Academy of Bolzano/Bozen (EURAC)**,Representing Office in Rome, Via Ludovisi 45, 00187 Rome – [www.eurac.edu](http://www.eurac.edu)

- **Project development** and **partnership creation** within the Alpine Space Programme 2007/2013. Work in this field concerned the participation in meetings with potential partners for the definition of project proposals ([AlpInfoNet](#)) and with national contact points of the EU Programmes.
- Support to deliver final reports of **Alpcheck II**, [TRANSITECTS](#) (Alpine Space Programme 2007/2013) and [SEETAC](#) (South-East Europe Programme 2007/2013) transport-focused projects.
- Support for preparing reports about the proceedings of the [3<sup>rd</sup> Alpine Water Conference](#);
- Support to the activities of the PLANALP- Platform on Natural Hazards of the Alpine Convention and the Working Group on "Demography and Employment" of the Alpine Convention
- Drafting of documents and texts **supporting institutional activities** of the Italian Ministry of the Environment implementing the Alpine Convention both for internal and external use.

**Business or sector** Sustainable development, international relations, environmental policy.

February 2009 – July 2014

**Supervisor and tourist guide**Tourist Association "**Pro Loco di S. Martino in Rio (RE)** – Corso Umberto I 22, 42018 S. Martino in Rio (RE), Italia - <http://comune.sanmartinoirio.re.it/monumenti-e-musei/rocca-estense/>**Main activities and responsibilities**

Occasional collaboration during weekends. Security service and tour guide at the Estense Castle and the "Museum of Agriculture and the Rural World" in San Martino in Rio.

- Opening and closing of the halls of the castle and the museum.
- Control of accesses, box office and sales of printed materials to the public.
- Guided tours in Italian / English for single visitors and tourist groups.

**Business or sector** Valorisation of the cultural, historical and architectural heritage of the municipality of S. Martino in Rio

October 2009 – December 2009

### Trainee

**Eco & Eco s.r.l** – Strada Maggiore 29, 40125 Bologna, Italia - <http://www.eco-eco.it/>

#### Main activities and responsibilities

Curricular internship. Activities of technical and organizational support that Eco & eco s.r.l. provides to the Service Communication, Education for sustainability of the Emilia-Romagna region, in the frame of the project "**Vetrina della Sostenibilità**". It was aimed to collect in a single online database existing good examples and practices in line with principle of sustainable development. Participation to the international exhibition "**Ecomondo**" in Rimini (28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> October 2009), as part of the staff of the Emilia Romagna region in its stand.

**Business or sector** Sustainable development, Agenda 21 and local development

October 2008 – December 2008

### Trainee

**European Academy of Bolzano/Bozen (EURAC)** – Institute for Alpine Environment

Viale Druso/Drususallee 1, 39100 Bolzano/Bozen – [www.eurac.edu](http://www.eurac.edu)

#### Main activities and responsibilities

Curricular internship carried out during the master's degree. Research and development of new sustainability indicators applicable for the 116 municipalities of South Tyrol, in particular in the field of human geography and dealing with anthropic impacts upon the environment, in the frame of the project "**Nachhaltigkeit Südtirol / Sostenibilità Alto Adige**" ("Sustainability South Tyrol").

**Business or sector** Scientific research. Sustainable development, alpine environment

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

November 2015 – January 2017

### Executive Master in "Environment, Innovation and Management"

LUISS Business School, Roma (Italy)

Specializing course on environmental management and business for private companies, public authorities, international institutions, NGOs, Energy Service Companies, Utilities companies.

18<sup>th</sup> March 2014 – 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2014

### Training course on "European projects"

[Europa Cube Innovation Business School srl](http://EuropaCubeInnovationBusinessSchool.srl), Bologna (Italy)

Training course carried out in Parma (Italy). The main topics discussed were the following:

- Overview of European Structural Funds and Programmes for the 2014/2020 programming period
- Overview of general objectives and indications highlighted in the European Strategy 2020
- Project cycle-management

Certificate of attendance of the training course

7<sup>th</sup> February 2011 – 27<sup>th</sup> May 2011**French language course**

Université Catholique de Lyon, Institut de langues et cultures françaises (ILCF), Lyon, France - <http://www.ilcf.net/>

Semi-intensive French language course (one semester) in an international and multicultural context.

Proficiency level achieved: **C1+**

21<sup>st</sup> October 2008 – 10<sup>th</sup> March 2011**Post graduate master's degree**

Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna, Faculty of Arts and Philosophy, Bologna (Italy) – [www.unibo.it](http://www.unibo.it)

Laurea magistrale in **Geografia e processi territoriali** (Post Graduate Master's degree in Geography and Territorial Processes). Specialization of the three-years bachelor's degree in Geographical Sciences

Final vote: **110/110** (with honours)

Final dissertation titled: "Photography and transforming landscapes: case study in the flat area between Reggio Emilia and Modena". Topic: theories and models of the geographical research. Supervisors: Prof. Ms. Béatrice Collignon and Prof. Mr. Franco Farinelli

September 2005 – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2009**Bachelor's degree**

Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna, Faculty of Arts and Philosophy, Bologna (Italy) – [www.unibo.it](http://www.unibo.it)

Corso di laurea in **Scienze Geografiche** (Bachelor's degree in Geographic sciences)

The degree program is proposed as interdisciplinary connection between humanistic and scientific areas, involving issues such as cartography, sociology, economics, environmental policy, statistics, history, urban and regional planning, GIS, and remote sensing technologies.

Final vote: **109/110**

Final dissertation titled: "The cross-border cooperation in the Alpine Space: the case study of the Euroregion Tyrol. Topic: political geography. Supervisor: Prof. Ms. Iside Sartini

6<sup>th</sup> September 2007 – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2008**Lifelong Learning Programme (LLP) – Erasmus Programme**

University College Cork (Republic of Ireland) - Faculty of Arts, Celtic Studies and Social Sciences, Department of Geography - <http://www.ucc.ie/en/>

**Eight exams** taken in the frame of the Lifelong Learning Programme ERASMUS, for a total of **40 CFU** credits (five credits each) during the 3<sup>rd</sup> academic year of the Bachelor's degree.

The exams passed are the following ones: Introduction to GIS, Advanced GIS, Remote Sensing: principles and practices, Environmental Remote Sensing, Environmental Management, Environmental Policy, Geography of Tourism, Field Work.

September 2000 – June 2005)

**Baccalaureat**

Liceo Classico "Rinaldo Corso" – sezione scientifica annessa, Correggio (RE), Italy – <http://www.liceocorso.gov.it/>

Liceo scientifico-bilingue (Scientific-bilingual high school diploma)

One week school exchange at the [Schubart Gymnasium](#) in Ulm (Germany), in March 2002.

## PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue Italian

## Other languages

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
French	C2	C2	C2	C2	C1
Institut de Langues et Cultures françaises de Lyon (ILCF)					
English	C2	C2	C1	C1	C1
German	A2	B1	B1	B1	A2

Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user  
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

## Communication skills

- Good oral communication skills gained through the active participation to international negotiating tables, project meetings, conference calls on a regular basis and presentations at public workshops.
- Good written communication skills gained through the realization of several information notes and press releases during the Italian Presidency of the Alpine Convention 2013/2014 about workshops and events organized. Writing of regular news and updates about sustainable mobility, published on ELTIS, the European mobility observatory.
- Frequent and consolidated ability to draft minutes of meetings and react to inputs /ideas coming from third parties.

## Organisational / managerial skills

- Good experience in day-by-day management of EU-funded projects.
- Ability to elaborate concept and project ideas that can access to EU funds in different areas related to sustainable development, as well as their development and implementation.
- Capacity of drafting documents addressed to public and international bodies, regarding the implementation of transport and environmental policy at EU level.
- Able to coordinate with professionals coming from different backgrounds and organisations.
- Good experience gained in organizing thematic workshops and seminars, as well as their promotion.
- Sense of organisation and result oriented.

## Job-related skills

- Life-long ability to study, work and live in multicultural contexts and cities/countries (e.g. Bologna, Cork, Bolzano, Lyon, Rome, Milan, Berlin).
- Teamwork experience proven during all working experience.
- Curious and able to face interdisciplinary topics, thanks to my university background and different work experiences.
- Able to work independently and to properly organise and manage assigned tasks.
- Readiness to listen and give advice, both to colleagues and management board, about on-going activities.
- Ability to manage multiple tasks and meet short deadlines.

## Computer skills

- Very good knowledge of Microsoft Office™ tools (word, excel, power point).
- Knowledge of relational databases and MySQL language.
- Knowledge of basics and fundamentals of ArcGIS™ tools.
- Amateur use of photo editing programmes (Picasa, Photoshop).

## Other skills

- Excellent skills in planning travels and journeys, both for business and leisure. Travelled and visited 31 countries in 5 continents, so far.
- Inclination to sport activities, such as tennis (formerly classified in Italian ranking), basket, football and cycling (organized several *randonnées* across Europe).
- Passionate about amateur photography, i.e. natural landscapes, and cityscapes. Some of them have been published in the reports listed below.

## Driving licence

Category B



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Workshops and seminars

Participation as **invited speaker** to several workshops focused on sustainable mobility and transport in mountain areas.

- "Transport Safety Stakeholder Workshop" – 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – Bruxelles (Belgium)
- Public conference for the presentation of results achieved in the Italian and Slovene crossborder area by the European project "AlpInfoNet", organized by the Municipality of Gorizia - 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2015, Gorizia (Italy)
- "Feeding the public transport of the future: innovative & sustainable buses for the Public Transport System, organized by NGV Italy – 7<sup>th</sup> May 2015, Milan (Italy)
- "Oltre l'infrastruttura per una nuova cultura della mobilità", workshop organized by the Autonomous Province of Trento – 20<sup>th</sup> February 2015, Trento (Italy)
- La ferrovia Transdolomitica: l'attualità di una visione per una ferrovia tra le montagne e valichi alpini Milano da Occidente a Oriente, workshop promoted by the "Transdolomites" association, at the Swiss Center – 6<sup>th</sup> May 2014, Milano (Italy)
- "La scelta dei mezzi di trasporto: costi, motivazioni ed opportunità", workshop promoted by the association "Transdolomites" – 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2012, Cavalese (Italy)
- Swomm 2012, "Mobilità interurbana e intermodalità in ambito transfrontaliero", workshop promoted by the Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea – 11<sup>th</sup> December 2012, Gorizia (Italy)
- Mid-term conference of the Access2Mountain project (South-East Programme 2007/2013) - 16<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> October 2012, Kosice (Slovakia) ([link](#))

### Publications

**Author and/or co-author** of different scientific and technical reports and publications. Please find below a relevant list.

- Pastori E., Gualandi E., Vergnani R., Sansotta G., **Study on light commercial vehicles (LCVs) fleet and activity in Europe.** (European Commission's Joint Research Centre) (2020).
- Pastori E., Brambilla M., Maffii S., Vergnani R., Gualandi E., and Skinner I. (2018). Research for TRAN Committee – **Modal shift in European transport: a way forward**, European Parliament, Policy Department for Structural and Cohesion Policies, Brussels.
- Pastori E., Vergnani R., (2017). Research for TRAN Committee – **Odometer tampering – measures to prevent it**, Study. European Parliament, Directorate-General for Internal Policies, Brussels ([link](#)).
- Transport Research Information Portal (TRIP), Research Theme Analysis Report Transport Safety, © European Union, 2017 ([link](#))
- Transport Research Information Portal (TRIP), Research Theme Analysis Report Transport Security, © European Union, 2017 ([link](#))
- Mediterranean Mountains: climate change, landscape and biodiversity. A partnership for enhancing Sustainable Mountain Development (September 2016), ISBN: 9788890499555.
- Bavarian State Ministry of the Interior, for Building and Transport - **Better informed, better travel: towards a sustainable information mobility network.** Handbook for transport and tourist operators. Final output of the AlpInfoNet project. July 2015 ([link](#))
- Working Group Transport of the Alpine Convention/ French Ministry for Ecology and Sustainable Development - **Sustainable mobility solutions in remote Alpine territories** – October 2014 ([link](#)) Approved by the XIII Alpine Conference held in Torino (21<sup>st</sup> November 2014).



- Working Group Transport of the Alpine Convention/ French Ministry for Ecology and Sustainable Development - **Sustainable solutions for logistics and urban freight delivery in the Alpine region** – October 2014 ([link](#)). Approved by the XIII Alpine Conference held in Torino (21<sup>st</sup> November 2014).
- Permanent Secretariat of the Alpine Convention - **Demographic changes in the Alps**, 5<sup>th</sup> Report on the State of the Alps – Alpine signals, special edition 5 (November 2014). Approved by the XIII Alpine Conference held in Torino (21<sup>st</sup> November 2014).
- **Rapporto sui benefici ambientali e paesaggistici della realizzazione del Ring transfrontaliero integrato (2020): il corridoio ecologico per mettere in rete il sistema delle città confinarie**. Contribution from the Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, in the frame of the Work Package no. 7 of the project **ADRIA A** – October 2014
- Working Group Transport of the Alpine Convention / Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea – **Report on urban and interurban mobility in the Alps** – July 2012. Approved by the XII Alpine Conference held in Poschiavo (September 2012)
- Proceedings of the SWOMM 2011 conference: **“Railways, mountain and environment”** – organized by the Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea and the Italian Ministry for Transport and Infrastructure (Rome, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2011) – December 2012.

Technical support to the realization of the following reports and publications:

- Consorzio Agrituristicco Mantovano “Verdi Terre d’acqua” - **Alla scoperta degli itinerari cicloturistici dell’Oltrepo’ Mantovano** – April 2013 ([Italian](#), [German](#))
- Occasional collaboration. Support in the writing of itinerary no. 3, including 5 photos taken during on site reconnaissance by bike (end of December 2012). Support in the writing of itinerary no. 4.
- Working Group “UNESCO World Heritage of the Alpine Convention” - **Alpine Sites and the UNESCO World Heritage Background Study** – ([last version](#) August 2014)
- 2011, **Water in the Alps: Striking the balance**. 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference and Preparatory Workshops 2010. Scientific consulting and technical support in the writing of the report ([English](#)).
- 2011, PIATTAFORMA PERICOLI NATURALI (PLANALP) DELLA CONVENZIONE DELLE ALPI, **Collaborazione transnazionale nella gestione dei pericoli naturali nelle Alpi: il contributo dell’Italia**. Technical support in the writing of the report (both Italian and English versions).

## Projects

- Technical support for the identification and the collection of a set of sustainable urban mobility indicators (“SUMI”) in 50 European large and small urban areas to the (European Commission DG MOVE, MOVE/B4/2017-358) (2017 – on-going).
- “Improved rail connections and smart mobility in Central Europe – CONNECT2CE” project (Interreg Central Europe Programme 2014 – 2020). Technical assistance for the development of pilot action no. 6 (2018 – ongoing)
- “Integrating multimodal connections in the Adriatic-Ionian region - ADRIPASS” project (Interreg ADRION Programme). Technical Assistance concerning intermediate and final evaluation of the project for the Project Leader, the Central European Initiative. (2018 - ongoing)
- European Local Transport Information Service (ELTIS) - Web Portal Management & Development support and Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans uptake, (European Commission’s Directorate General for Mobility and Transport, MOVE/C1/2016-566). (2018 – on going)
- Transport Research Information Portal (TRIP) (European Commission’s Directorate General for Mobility and Transport, MOVE/C2/2013-994). (2016 – 2017)
- Sustainable Mobility Information Network for the Alpine Space - “AlpInfoNet” project (Interreg Alpine Space Programme 2007/2013) (2012 – 2015)
- “ADRIA A: Accessibility and development for the re-launch of the inner Adriatic area” project (Cross-Border Cooperation Programme Italy-Slovenia 2007-2013) (2012 – 2015)

**Awards**

Commendation received from the work carried out during the Italian Presidency of the Alpine Convention 2013 - 2014.

- Under-Secretary of State of the Italian Ministry of the Environment, Ms. Barbara Degani.
- the President of the Permanent Committee of the Alpine Convention, Mr. Paolo Angelini.
- the Secretary General of the Alpine Convention, Mr. Markus Reiterer.

Finalist at the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the competition of travel literature "Lo sguardo del viaggiatore e il racconto dei luoghi", organized by the on-line magazine "Viaggiatori.com", with the contribution entitled "Il viaggio: questione di punti di vista" (The Journey: a matter of point of view).

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