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Current Position

- London School of Economics, Department of Government: professor of public policy

Past positions

- London School of Economics, Department of Government: associate professor (reader) of public policy (2015-16)
- Università Bocconi Milan, Department of Policy Analysis and Public Management: associate professor (2013-15)
- London School of Economics, Department of Government: associate professor (reader) of public policy (2011-13)
- London School of Economics, Department of Government: associate professor (senior lecturer) of public policy and public choice (2009-11)
- London School of Economics, Department of Government: assistant professor (lecturer) of public policy and public choice (2001-09).
- Banca d'Italia: economist in the Research Department, Public Finance Division (2000-2001)

Other positions and affiliations

- STICERD, LSE, research affiliate (from 2001)
- Dondena Research Center for the Study of Social Dynamics and Public Policy, Università Bocconi, director of the Politics and Institutions area group (2013-15)
- IGIER, Università Bocconi, fellow (2013-15)

Education

- PhD in Economics, London School of Economics (2003)
- Doctorate in Economics, Milan (2000)
- MSc in Economics (with distinction), University of York, U.K. (1996).
- Laurea in Economic and Social Disciplines, Bocconi University, Milan (1993). 110/110 *magna cum laude*.

Visiting Positions

- Bocconi University, Milan, Department of Policy Analysis and Management, visiting professor (spring 2013)
- Sciences Po, Paris, Department of Economics and LIEPP, visiting professor (academic year 2012-13)
- EIEF, Rome (May-June 2012)
- IEB, Barcelona (April 2010)
- Università Tor Vergata, Rome (academic year 2008-09)
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (academic year 2005-2006)
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (February-March 2005)
- Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (April-September 2002)

Publications in refereed journals

- The Perverse Consequences of Policy Restrictions in the Presence of Asymmetric Information (with Rafael Hortala-Vallve), *Journal of the European Political Science Association (Political Science Research and Methods)*, forthcoming, 2016.
- A Better Life for All? Democratization and Electrification in Post-Apartheid South Africa (with Verena Kroth and Joachim Wehner), *Journal of Politics*, 78(3), 774–791 [2016]
- Blissful Ignorance? A Natural Experiment on the Effect of Feedback on Students' Performance, (with Oriana Bandiera and Imran Rasul), *Labour Economics*, 34, 13–25 [2015]
- Why Do Small States Receive More Federal Money? US Senate Representation and the Allocation of Federal Budget (with Leo Rizzo and Cecilia Testa), *Economics and Politics*, 25 (3), 257–282 [2013]
- Changing Needs, Sticky Budget: Evidence from the Geographic Distribution of US Federal Grants (with Leo Rizzo and Cecilia Testa), *National Tax Journal*, 66 (2), 311–342 [2013]
- Testing Models of Distributive Politics Using Exit Polls to Measure Voter Preferences and Partisanship, (with Jim Snyder and Cecilia Testa), *British Journal of Political Science*, 43 (4), 845–875 [2013].
- Partisan Bias in Economic News: Evidence on the Agenda Setting Behavior of US Newspapers (with Jim Snyder and Riccardo Puglisi), *Journal of Public Economics*, 95 (9-10), 1178-1189 [2011]
- Working or Shirking? Expenses and Attendance in the UK Parliament, (with Timothy Besley), *Public Choice*, 147, 291-317 [2011]
- Heterogeneous class size effects. New evidence from a panel of university students (with Oriana Bandiera & Imran Rasul), *Economic Journal*, 120, 1365-1398. [2010]
- Information Acquisition, Ideology and Turnout: Theory and Evidence from Britain, *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, 21(2), 237–276. [2009]
- A Discrepancy Index for the Study of Participation with an Application to the Case of Higher Education in Italy, *Social Indicators Research*, 88(3), 483-496. [2008]
- Voting over Redistribution and the Size of the Welfare State: the Role of Turnout, *Political Studies*, 55, 568-585 [2007].
- Does Political Knowledge Increase Turnout? Evidence from the 1997 British General Election, *Public Choice*, 131 (1). [2007]
- The Instrumental Voter Goes to the News-Agent: Information Acquisition, Marginality, and the Media, *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, 19 (3), 249-276. [2007]

- Allocating the US Federal Budget to the States: the Impact of the President (joint with Leo Rizzo & Cecilia Testa), *Journal of Politics*, 68 (2), 447-456. [2006]
- Electoral Competition and Redistribution with Rationally Informed Voters, *Berkeley Electronic Journals in Economic Analysis and Policy: Contribution*. Vol. 4: No. 1, Article 4. [2005]
- Personal and Household Income Taxation in a Progressive Tax System: Evidence from Italy, *Economics Bulletin*, Vol. 8, No. 1, pp. 1-9. [2005]

Current working papers

- Crime and Punishment in the UK: Accountability Channels Following the MPs Expenses Scandal (with Indraneel Sircar), IGIER w.p. 517. June 2014
- The Impact of Internet Penetration on US Presidential Elections (with Luke Miner), August 2014
- Enfranchisement and Representation: Evidence from the Introduction of Quasi-Universal Suffrage in Italy. IGER w.p. 512. last draft: June 2016.

Other Academic Publications

- Singing from the same broadsheet? Mass media bias and the MPs' expenses scandal (with Indraneel Sircar), in *The Political Costs of the 2009 MPs' Expenses Scandal*, edited by Jennifer Hudson, Palgrave (2014), pp 153-174.
- The Political Economy of Public Spending: Evidence from the US States (with James Snyder and Cecilia Testa), in Fabio Padovano and Alessandro Petretto (eds.), *Public Choice and Political Economy*, pp. 143-163, Franco Angeli. (2010)
- Review of "Communication Revolutions: Critical Junctures and the Future of Media", by R.W. McChesney, New York: New Press, *Journal of Economics*, 95(3), 271-276. (2008)
- "The Channelled Italian Voters", in Fabio Padovano & Roberto Ricciuti (eds.), *Institutional Reforms in Italy: a Public Choice Approach*, pp 221-247, Springer. (2008)

Grants and Scholarships

- STICERD : "Democratization and Representation: Italy 1909-1913." (2011).
- British Academy: "Policy restrictions, information acquisition and distribution" (with Rafael Hortala-Vallve) (2010-2011).
- STICERD : "A dataset of town-level results of Italian general, European and regional elections. (1861-2008)" (2010).
- Deputy Directors - LSE: "A Study of MSc evaluation methods and student achievements" (with Oriana Bandiera) (2008-09).
- European Commission (Sixth Framework Programme): "Polarization and Conflict". Coordinator of the LSE research group and coordinator of the theme "Channeling Conflict into Democracy". (2004-08).
- STICERD : "The supply of news on the British press and its impact on public opinion" (2005).
- Marie Curie Fellowship, European Commission (2002).
- TMR Marie Curie Research Training Grant, European Commission (1997-2000).
- Economic and Social Research Council "Fees Only" Scholarship (1997-1999).
- Italian National Research Council (CNR) Scholarship (1996-97).

- Bank of Italy “Mortara” Scholarship for post-graduate studies (1995-1996).

Invited seminar presentations

CSEF Naples (2016), IRVAPP Trento (2015), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (2015), Hertie School of Governance Berlin (2014), University of Padova (2014), Catholic University Milan (2014), University of Milan Bicocca (2013), Harvard (2013), Warwick (2013), UCLA (2013), Bocconi (2013), Essex (2012), IMT Lucca (2012), Odense (2012), Bocconi (2011), SOAS (2010), Bocconi (2010), Barcelona IEB (2010), Oxford (2009), Leicester (2009), Essex (2009), Rome Tor Vergata (2009), Ferrara (2009), Warwick (2009), University of Milan Bicocca (2008), Sassari (2008), Rome Tor Vergata (2008), Chieti-Pescara (2008), Namur (2007), Queen Mary London (2007), Cambridge (2007), Chieti-Pescara (2007), Durham (2007), Bristol (2007), Columbia (2006), Harvard (2006), Exeter (2006), MIT (2005), Bocconi (2004), Universitat Pompeu Fabra Barcelona (2003), Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (2003), Royal Holloway College London (2003), SOAS (2003), University of Bath (2002), Catholic University Milan (2001)

Conference presentations

Invited talks

- Conference on “*The Politics of Parliamentarization*”, University of Bremen, July 2016.
- Conference on “*Multidisciplinary perspectives on corruption and its effects on business*”, King’s College London, July 2016.
- Workshop on Political Economy, University of Sheffield, January 2016.
- Conference on “*Elections and Electoral Institutions*”. Institute for Advanced Study. Toulouse, March 2015
- Workshop on “*Policy and Parliaments in Times of Economic Crises*”, Norwegian Institute, Rome, September 2014
- Conference “*Public Choice and Social Choice: From a Common Origin to Different Paths?*”. Condorcet Center for Political Economy, University of Rennes, March 2014
- Conference on “*Equity in Higher Education*”, University of Aarhus, January 2013
- Workshop on “*Institutions, Individual Behaviour and Economic Outcomes*”, Porto Conte Ricerche, Alghero 2011
- Conference on “*Inequality and Institutions in Industrialized Democracies*”, Oxford University 2009
- Conference on “*Institutions, Public Policy and Economic Outcomes*”, Jesus College, Cambridge University 2007
- Workshop on Political Economy, Exeter University, January 2006
- Conference on “*Institutional Reforms in Italy*”, University of Rome III 2005
- STICERD Conference on mass media economics, LSE, London 2002
- Conference on Applied Microeconomics, Catholic University of Milan 2001
- CEPR conference on Political Economy, University of Toulouse 2000

Contributed talks (not including when acting as discussant only)

- Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco 2015
- Annual Meeting of the European Economic Association, Vienna 2015
- Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington 2014
- Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association, Edinburgh 2014
- Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association, Barcelona 2013
- Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 2013
- Public Economics UK meeting, University of Warwick 2012
- Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, New Orleans 2012
- Annual Meeting of the European Economic Association, Malaga 2012
- Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association, Berlin 2012

- Annual Meeting of the Italian Public Economics Society (SIEP) Pavia 2011.
- Political Science and Political Economy Conference at NYU, New York 2011
- Annual Meeting of the Italian Public Economics Society (SIEP), Pavia 2009
- Annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston 2008
- First World meeting of the Public Choice societies (joint meeting of the American and the European Public Choice societies), Amsterdam 2007
- Winter meeting of the Polarization and Conflict research group, Cordoba, 2006
- Annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, 2006
- Annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 2006
- Annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 2005
- Annual meeting of the Association for Public Economic Theory, Beijing 2004
- Annual meeting of the European Public Choice society, Berlin 2004
- Annual meeting of the European Economic Association, Venice 2002
- Annual meeting of the Public Choice society, San Diego 2002
- Annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston 2002
- European meeting of the Econometric Society, Venice 2002
- Conference on Inequality and Welfare, Milan Bocconi 2002
- North-American meeting of the Econometric Society, University of Maryland 2001
- Annual meeting of the European Consortium of Political Research, Canterbury 2001,
- Annual meeting of the Public Choice society, San Antonio 2001
- Annual meeting of the International Institute of Public Finance, Linz 2001
- Annual meeting of the Association for Public Economic Theory, Warwick 2000
- Workshop on Heterogeneous Interacting Agents, Genoa 1999
- European meeting of the Econometric society, Santiago de Compostela 1999
- Annual meeting of the European Economic Association, Santiago de Compostela 1999
- Latin American meeting of the Econometric Society, Cancun 1999
- Annual meeting of the International Institute of Public Finance, Moscow 1999

Conference organization

- Annual NYU/LSE Political Science and Political Economy Conference, May 2012
- Workshop on "Institutions, Individual Behaviour and Economic Outcomes", Porto Conte Ricerche, Alghero, 12-16 September 2011
- Final meeting of the Polarization & Conflict Research Group, linked with the Polarization and Conflict Research grant (see above). LSE, 7-8 March 2008.

Refereeing

American Economic Review, American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, ANVUR, Berkeley Electronic Journals in Economic Analysis and Policy, British Academy, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Czech Sociological Review, Economia Politica, Economica, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Economics and Politics, Economic Theory, Economic and Social Research Council, European Journal of Political Research, European Union Politics, International Journal of Social Economics, Journal of Common Market Studies, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Economic Surveys, Journal of European Public Policy, Journal of Politics, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Journal of Economics, Journal of Legislative Studies, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Journal of Theoretical Politics, Legislative Studies Quarterly, Oxford Economic Papers, Political Studies, Public Choice, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Review of Economic Studies, Rivista Internazionale di Scienze Economiche e Commerciali, Routledge, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Scandinavian Political Studies, Social Choice and

Welfare, Social Science Quarterly, Southern Economic Journal, Swiss National Science Foundation, World Development

Teaching

- London School of Economics

Graduate

- Political Science and Political Economy (GV481) (2009-12 and 2015-present)
- Advanced Topics in Political Economy (GV482) (2009-12 and 2015-present)
- Applied Quantitative Methods for Political Science (GV4G1) (2010-12 and 2015-present)
- Game Theory for Political Science (GV4C8) (2003-08)
- Public Policy and Public Choice (GV481) (2001-08)
- Public Policy and Public Choice (advanced topics) (GV482) (2001-09)

Undergraduate

- Public Choice and Politics (GV225) (2001-12)
- The Politics of Economic Policy (GV227) (2005-09)

LSE Summer School

- The Political Economy of Public Policy (EC260) (2003-present)

- Bocconi University Milan

- Scienza delle finanze (public economics, in italian) – undergraduate (2013-14 & 2014-15)
- European Economic Policy – undergraduate (2013-14 & 2014-15)
- Comparative politics – graduate (2012-2013)

- Sciences Po Paris

- Political Economy and Public Choice – undergraduate (2012-13)

PhD supervision (completed)

- Verena Kroth: “Essays in political economy: elections, public finance and service delivery in South Africa”. Completed in 2014. First employment: economist at European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
- Luo Ting: “Village economic autonomy and authoritarian control over village elections in China: evidence from rural Guangdong Province”. Completed in 2014. First employment: Post-Doctoral Fellow, Department of Political Science, Leiden University.
- Mike Seiferling: “Essays on the Political Economy of Public Finance”. Completed in 2011. First employment: economist at International Monetary Fund
- André Alves, “The Employment Effects of Welfare Regimes”. Completed in 2009. First employment: Universidade de Aveiro (Portugal)

PhD examination panel

- Konstantinos Matakos, University of Warwick 2012
- Francesca Acacia, University of Leicester 2012
- Krayos Patrawart, Royal Holloway College, University of London 2011

Executive education

- Economics for Foreign Policy, The Foreign and Commonwealth Office, UK (2008-present)
- Economics for Public Policy, Bureau for Economic Development, Libya (2009-10)

Department and University administration

- London School of Economics

- Director of the Government Department MSc programme (2009-2012)
- Convenor of the MSc in Political Science and Political Economy (2008-2012 and 2015-present)
- Member of the Political Science and Political Economy Group (2006-present)
- STICERD Steering Committee (2005-2013)
- Staff-students liaison committee (2009-2012)
- Central Research Fund (2006-2010)
- Editor of the Political Economy and Public Policy (PEPP) working paper series (STICERD) (2005-09)
- Library and Information Systems Committee (2006-2009)
- Departmental Seminar Convenor (2002-2005)

- Bocconi University

- Dondena Center for the Study of Social Dynamics and Public Policy, director of the Politics and Institutions area group (2013-15)
- Department of Policy Analysis and Public Management Seminar Series coordinator (2014-15)
- PhD Public Policy admission board (2013-14 & 2014-15)