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Curriculum Vitae

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Current Positions

- Reader in Public Policy, Department of Government, LSE
- Director of the MSc programme and convenor of the MSc in Political Science and Political Economy, Department of Government, LSE
- Political Science and Political Economy Group, LSE, executive committee
- Research associate, Economic Organization and Public Policy Group, STICERD
- Visiting Professor, Department of Public Policy Analysis and Management, Bocconi University, Milan
- Visiting Professor, Department of Economics and LIEPP, Sciences Po, Paris

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.*

Employment history

- London School of Economics, 2001 – present (tenured in March 2007, promoted to senior lecturer in March 2010, promoted to reader in November 2011).
- Economist in the Research Department of the Bank of Italy, Public Finance Department (2000-2001)
- London School of Economics, 1996-2000: teaching assistant

Visiting Positions

- Bocconi University, Milan (Spring 2013)
- Sciences Po, Paris (2012-13)
- EIEF, Rome (May-June 2012)
- IEB, Barcelona (April 2010)
- Università Tor Vergata, Rome (2008-09)
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2005-2006)
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (February-March 2005)
- Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (April-September 2002)

Publications in refereed journals

- 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*, forthcoming.
- 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]

Other Academic Publications

- Mass Media, *Encyclopedia of Power*, Keith Dowding (ed.), Sage (2011)
- Nash Equilibrium, *Encyclopedia of Power*, Keith Dowding (ed.), Sage (2011)

- Principal-Agent, *Encyclopedia of Power*, Keith Dowding (ed.), Sage (2011)
- Prisoner dilemma, *Encyclopedia of Power*, Keith Dowding (ed.), Sage (2011)
- 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)

Current working papers

- The Political Impact of the Internet on US Presidential Elections (with Luke Miner), July 2012
- The Perverse Consequences of Policy Restrictions: Theory and Experimental Evidence (with Rafael Hortala-Vallve), May 2012
- Crime and Punishment in the UK: Accountability Channels Following the MPs Expenses Scandal (with Indraneel Sircar), May 2012
- Enfranchisement and Representation: Italy 1909-1913, STICERD/EOPP discussion paper 32, last version: December 2011.
- Blissful ignorance? Evidence from a natural experiment on the effect of individual feedback on performance (with Oriana Bandiera & Imran Rasul), last version: March 2012
- Changing Needs, Sticky Budget: Evidence from the Geographic Distribution of US Federal Grants (with Leo Rizzo and Cecilia Testa), R&R *National Tax Journal*, last version: May 2012
- Why Do Small States Receive More Federal Money? US Senate Representation and the Allocation of Federal Budget (with Leo Rizzo and Cecilia Testa), R&R *Economics and Politics*, last version: May 2012

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

Essex (2012), IMT Lucca (2012), Odense (2012), Bocconi University Milan (2011), SOAS (2010), Bocconi University Milan, (2010), Barcelona IEB (2010), Oxford (2009), Leicester (2009), Essex (2009), Rome Tor Vergata (2009), Ferrara (2009), Warwick (2009), 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 University Milan (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

- 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 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)

- 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, Berkeley Electronic Journals in Economic Analysis and Policy, British Academy, British Journal of Political Science, Czech Sociological Review, Economia Politica, Economica, Economic Journal, Economics and Politics, Economic Theory, Economic and Social Research Council, 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 Theoretical Politics, 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, World Development

Teaching

Current graduate teaching

- Political Science and Political Economy (GV481) [2009-present]
- Advanced Topics in Political Economy (GV482) [2009-present]
- Applied Quantitative Methods for Political Science (GV4G1) [2010-present]

Current undergraduate teaching

- Public Choice and Politics (GV225) [2001-present]

Past graduate teaching

- Game Theory for Political Science (GV4C8) [2003-08]
- Public Policy and Public Choice (Introduction) (GV481) [2001-2008]
- Public Policy and Public Choice (Advanced Topics) (GV482) [2001-2008]

Past undergraduate teaching

- The Politics of Economic Policy (GV227) [2007-2010]

PhD supervision (completed)

- Mike Seiferling: "Essays on the Political Economy of Public Finance", completed in 2011
- Andre' Alves, "The Employment Effects of Welfare Regimes", completed in 2009

PhD examination panel

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

LSE Summer School

- The Political Economy of Public Policy (EC260) [2004-present]

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

- Director of the Government Department MSc programme [2009-present]
- Convenor of the MSc in Political Science and Political Economy [2008-present]
- Member of the Political Science and Political Economy Group [2006-present]
- STICERD Steering Committee [2005-present]
- STICERD director selection panel, 2011
- Staff-students liaison committee [2009-present]
- 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]

Miscellanea: publications in Italian, op-eds and blogs

- Per un "Freedom of Information Act" italiano (with Riccardo Puglisi), *lavoce.info*, 11/06/2012
- The UK should embrace public funding of political parties, *LSE British Policy and Policy Blog*, 18/04/2012
- Un finanziamento da ripensare, *lavoce.info*, 11/04/2012
- La "sfiga" di avere meno opportunita', *lavoce.info*, 31/01/2012
- La rivolta nell'era dello shopping, *lavoce.info*, 12/08/2011
- Is the UK Parliament too large?, *LSE British Politics and Policy Blog*, 20/04/2010
- Una dote da prendere sul serio (with Andrea Garnero), *lavoce.info*, 05/02/2010
- The impact of class size on the performance of university students (with Oriana Bandiera and Imran Rasul), *Voxeu.org*, 11/1/2010
- Le tasse e quel reddito sempre piu' diseguale, *lavoce.info*, 2/3/2009
- Progressivita' per combattere la crisi, *NENS*, 10-12-2008
- La recessione e le statistiche di Trilussa, *NelMerito.com*, 21-10-2008
- Democrazia, consenso e stato sociale, *Italianieuropei*, July 2007.

- Il cambiamento climatico e le trappole della mano invisibile (with Marco Buttazoni), *NENS*, June 2007
- Due concetti di merito, *L'Unita'*, 23/2/2007
- Ecco il telespettatore militante e canalizzato, *Reset*, 98 (2006)
- Successioni: il gettito vada al baby bond, *La Repubblica*, 29/5/2006
- L'imposta di successione per un fondo-giovani, *lavoce.info*, 6/3/2006
- L'elettore incanalato, *lavoce.info*, 30/1/2006
- Informazione, Regole e Bavagli, *Il Tirreno*, 18-2-2004
- L'impatto redistributivo dell'imposta personale e progressiva del reddito, *Global & Local Economic Review*, vol. I, 65-101 (1999).