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## EDUCATION

- 2009 /now | **PhD Economics** (candidate), London School of Economics  
Job market paper: "Monetary Policy, Leverage, and Default". Supervisor: Prof. W. Den Haan
- 2008/09 | **MRes Economics**, London School of Economics  
Grade: Pass. Dissertation: "A Theory of Financial Amplification". Supervisor: Dr. K. Aoki
- 2007/08 | **MSc Economics**, London School of Economics  
Grade: Distinction. Dissertation: "Flexible Prices and Exchange Rate Stabilization: the Corsetti-Pesenti Simple Geometry with a Third Country". Supervisor: Dr. A. Sarychev
- 2005/07 | **MSc Economics (Laurea Specialistica)**, Università Cattolica, Milano, Italy  
Grade: *Cum Laude*. Dissertation: "Monetary Policy, Time-Inconsistency and the Management of Uncertainty". Supervisor: Prof. M. Lossani
- 2002/05 | **BSc Economics (Laurea Triennale)**, Università Cattolica, Milano, Italy  
Grade: *Cum Laude*. Dissertation: "The European Stability and Growth Pact". Supervisor: Prof. M. Lossani
- 1997/02 | **A level (Maturità)**, Liceo Scientifico Leonardo da Vinci, Milano, Italy

## AWARDS

- August 2013 | **FEEM ("Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei") Award** for the paper "Monetary Policy, Leverage, and Default"  
Annual congress of the European Economic Association, Gothenburg, Sweden
- December 2012 | **Young Economist Best Paper Award** for the paper "Monetary policy, leverage, and default"  
XXI International Conference on Money, Banking and Finance at Luiss Guido Carli University, Rome, Italy
- April 2009 | **ESRC (Economic and Social Research Council) Scholarship**
- Apr 2009 | **Merit award**, Banca Popolare Commercio e Industria

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2008/12 | **Teaching Fellow and Teaching Assistant** at LSE  
Postgraduate courses in Macroeconomics, Statistics and Econometrics  
Undergraduate courses in Macroeconomics and Microeconomics
- April 2011&12 | **Lecturer** at Shanghai Normal University, Shanghai, China  
Undergraduate in International Monetary Policy

## WORKING EXPERIENCE

- July/Sept 2012 | **Internship**, European Central Bank (Monetary Policy Strategy division), Frankfurt, Germany  
Paper on "Monetary Policy, Leverage, and Default"
- July/Sept 2009 | **Internship**, Bank of Italy, Rome, Italy  
Research project: "Bank Leverage Ratios after Basel I". Supervisors: Dr. P. Angelini and Dr. F. Columba

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2013 | "Risk factors for the Presence of *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus* in Domestic Water-Holding Containers in Areas Impacted by the Nam Theun 2 Hydroelectric Project, Laos", (with A. Hiscox, A. Kaye, K. Vongphayloth, I. Banks, P. Khammanithong, P. Sananikhom, S. Kaul, N. Hill, S. W. Lindsay, and P. T. Brey)  
*American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene*, vol. 88(6), 2013, pp. 1070–1078

## LANGUAGES AND PROGRAMMING

- Italian (native), English (fluent), German and French (intermediate)  
User of Stata, Matlab and EViews