

**Curriculum Vitae – Fall 2022**

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**Qualifications**

**MSc in Economic and Social Sciences (ESS-DES), Università Bocconi, Milan. 2018-2021**

*Final grade: 110/110 cum laude. Final thesis: "The longer, the better? Evidence from unemployment insurance extension in Italy". Supervised by professor Thomas Le Barbachon.*

**BSc in Economics, Markets and Institutions, Università di Bologna, Bologna. 2015-2018**

*Final grade: 110/110 cum laude. Final thesis: "The Irpef tax: drawback and perspectives for reform". Supervised by professor Stefano Toso.*

**Awards and Scholarships**

**Borsa Stringher (Banca d'Italia) – Particolarmente Meritevole - 2022**

**Research Interests**

**Public economics** (mainly taxation and social insurance)

**Labour economics** (mainly job search and match)

**Political economics** (mainly voters' electoral behavior)

**Publications**

**Did the Covid-19 hit harder in peripheral areas? The case of Italian municipalities, (2021), with Francesco Filippucci and Thomas Fletcher. Economics and Human Biology, Volume 42, August 2021**

**Abstract**

*The first wave of Covid-19 pandemic had a geographically heterogeneous impact even within the most severely hit regions. Exploiting a triple-differences methodology, we find that in Italy Covid-19 hit relatively harder in peripheral areas: the excess mortality in peripheral areas was almost double that of central ones in March 2020 (1.2 additional deaths every 1000 inhabitants). We leverage a rich dataset on Italian municipalities to explore mechanisms behind this gradient. We first show that socio-demographic and economic features at municipal level are highly collinear, making it hard to identify single-variable causal relationships. Using Principal Components Analysis we model excess mortality and show that areas with higher excess mortality have lower income, lower education, larger households, lower trade and higher industrial employments, and older population. Our findings highlight a strong centre-periphery gradient in the harshness of Covid-19, which we believe is also highly relevant from a policy-making standpoint.*

**Ci pensiamo noi – Dieci proposte per fare spazio ai giovani in Italia, (2020), Tortuga, Egea Editore, ISBN: 9788823837669**

*Editor and author of Chapter 5 "Seminare cultura" on Italian cultural policies.*

**Working papers**

**Concurrent elections and voting behaviour: evidence from an Italian referendum, (2021), with Enrico Cavallotti. BAFFI CAREFIN Centre Research Paper No. 2021-164**

**Abstract**

*Voting behaviour in the case of concurrent elections is still a debated topic in the existing literature. In September 2020 Italy held a constitutional referendum and on the same election day several municipalities and regions held local elections. We exploit this unique occasion, caused by the staggered feature of the Italian electoral calendar and by the unexpected Covid-19 crisis, to obtain a causal estimate of the effects of the overlap of concurrent elections on the referendum results. When the referendum overlaps with either municipal or regional elections, we find a strong positive effect on turnout and on the proportion of blank and null votes. We also find a quantitatively small but statistically significant effect on the referendum preferences. We interpret these results through a calculus of voting model, positing that voters' choice to turnout depends only on the most salient election.*

Presented at: XXXIII SIEP Conference, XI Workshop of the fRDB Fellows and Affiliates, 5th conference on The Political Economy of Democracy

**Work in Progress**

**A Great Resignation in Italy? Preliminary evidence from microlevel administrative data – with Lukas Rodrian**

**Studies abroad**

**Exchange semester (with ERASMUS scholarship) at the Erasmus School of Economics (Rotterdam, The Netherlands) – 2017**

**Work Experience**

**Pre-doctoral Research Assistant, STICERD (London School of Economics), London. 2021-2022**

*Research assistant to professors Camille Landais, Johannes Spinnewijn, Daniel Reck. Attended the Phd level course in Public Economics.*

**Research assistant, Fondazione Ing. Rodolfo Debenedetti, Milan. 2020-2021**

*research assistance to professor Tito Boeri (Bocconi University), data collection, data analysis, report drafting, event organization support.*

**External Consultant, OECD, Milan. 2020**

*Research assistance in the drafting of: “The new hazardous jobs and worker reallocation” (2020), G. Basso, T. Boeri, A. Caiumi and M. Paccagnella, OECD Social, Employment and Migration Working Papers, No. 247*

**Curricular internship, Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, Turin. 2020**

*Project coordinated by professor Vincenzo Galasso (Bocconi University). Scope: investigating the evolution of workers' productivity with ageing.*

**Language Skills**

**Italian** (native speaker)

**English** (proficient, C1)

**French** (intermediate, B1+)

**IT Skills**

**Stata and Latex** (proficient)

**Office environment** (advanced knowledge)

**Geoda, Qgis, R** (basic knowledge)

*Practice in handling survey and administrative microdata*

**Other Activities**

**Fellow and former president of the think-tank Tortuga – 2017 onward.**



*Tortuga is an Italian think-tank of Economics students and young researchers. We publish newspaper articles which focus on particular economic issues of current relevance, devoting particular attention to their policy implications. We collaborate with institutions and political parties in projects of policy drafting and economic analysis.*

**Contributor to the website [lavoce.info](http://lavoce.info) – 2020 onward**

**Summer school – Introduction to advanced tools in EUROMOD – 2021 – Online – Organized by InGrid**

**Workshop – Introduction to EUROMOD – 2021 – Online – Organized by the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission**

