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Personal Details

Italian Citizen
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CURRENT POSITION

2017-2018 Post doc researcher at the Paris School of Economics Equipex 'Investissement d'Avenir': *Données Financières Historiques* (Coordination: Professor Pierre-Cyrille Hautcœur, Professor Angelo Riva).
Research fields: Financial and economic history, big data, data mining.
Main scientific and administrative responsibilities: organization and analysis of financial data over the long run, analysis of historical sources, juniors' recruitment and training (more than 10 juniors), project reports' writing, project's presentation in professional and academic environments, project management, team coordination, assistance in budget management.

MAIN RESEARCH FIELDS

Economic history, international development plans, economic sociology, social networks analysis, digital humanities.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2013-2017 Researcher in the Equipex 'Investissement d'Avenir': *Données Financières Historiques* (Coordination: Professor Pierre-Cyrille Hautcœur, Professor Angelo Riva).
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EDUCATION

2017 PhD in Economic History - Bologna University-Paris Diderot University (joint PhD)
PhD title: "Networks among advisers and political actors in World Bank's missions: The missions in Colombia and their impact on foreign economic advising to development (1940-1966)".
PhD Supervisors: Professor Zacarias Moutoukias (Paris Diderot University); Professor Maria Salvati and Stefano Magagnoli (Bologna University).
PhD Defense Committee: Claire Lemerrier (Sc-Po Paris); Olivier Feiertag (Rouen University); Juan Flores Zendejas (University of Geneva); Mario del Pero (Sc-Po Paris), Maria Salvati (Bologna University), Stefano Magagnoli (Parma University); Zacarias Moutoukias (Paris Diderot University).

2011 Visiting Scholar– The New School of Social Research (New York, NY)
Research fields: Economic history and Economic Sociology.

2009 Visiting Student - Duke University (Durham, NC)
Affiliation with the History Department (Tutor: Professor John French) and the Sanford School of Public Policy.

2007 M.Sc. in Modern European History, (*summa cum laude*) – Bologna University

2005 Bachelor Degree in Contemporary history (*summa cum laude*) – Bologna University

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2017 European University Institute: Vibeke Sorensen research grant (1 month)
- 2017 Research on Development Institute (IRD): Travel grant
- 2012 French Government: Visiting Program “Eiffel Excellence” (1 year)
- 2011 Harvard Business School: Alfred D. Chandler Jr. Travel Fellowship
- 2009 Duke University: Visiting Fellowship (1 year)
- 2008 Rockefeller Archive Center (Sleepy Hollow, NY): Travel Grant
- 2007 Diploma – School of Excellence Collegio Superiore – Bologna University (Honor program)

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- 2014 *La politica degli esperti. Tecnici e tecnocrati nella storia contemporanea*, Milan, Unicopli [The politics of experts. Technicians and technocrats in contemporary history] ISBN: 9788840017167 (with Deborah Paci).

Articles in peer reviewed journals

- 2015 “Food aid, programmi di sviluppo economico e containment. La Public Law 480 in Colombia, 1954-1960”, *Contemporanea*, 3/2015, pp. 401-424.
- 2012 “Una “TVA per il Mezzogiorno”. David Lilienthal e reti transnazionali nei piani di sviluppo della Cassa per il Mezzogiorno”, *Annali della Fondazione Ugo La Malfa*, XXVII, 2012.
- 2011 “David Lilienthal, la Banca Mondiale e lo sviluppo una rete transnazionale di economic advising (1950-1957)”, *Diacronie. Studi di Storia Contemporanea. Dossier “Storia transnazionale”*, N. 6(2) 2011.

Book chapters

- 2018 (forthcoming) “Collecting and storing historical financial data: the DFIH project”, with J. Ducros, P.-C. Hautcoeur, E. Pruniaux, R. Hekimian, A. Riva and S. Ungaro, in *Computational Social Science in the Age of Big Data. Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and Applications*, C.M. Stuetzer et al., Verlag
- 2017 “Données Financières Historiques : Une base de données en histoire financière”, with J. Ducros, P.-C. Hautcoeur, R. Hekimian, A. Riva and S. Ungaro in *Expérimenter les humanités numériques*, F. Clavert et al., Presses Universitaires de Montréal.

Working Papers

Face Off in Bogotá: Transnational networks and lending practices in World Bank early missions (Colombia 1949-1954) **JOB MARKET PAPER**

Development programs during the Cold War. The Tennessee Valley Authority model in Italy and Colombia (1950-1965) (draft upon request)

Banks and Networks at the Belle Époque: Performance and Stability (with Raphael Hekimian)

International aid, local élites and economic institutions in Colombian development (draft upon request)

The Definition of the Economic Expertise. Crossing the Debates on State Economic Planners in Latin America and International Experts. (draft upon request)

Basin Initiatives. International programs for efficient water uses in Agricultural Production. (draft upon request)

TEACHING

- 2017-2018 Lecturer in Economic history of Latin America and Southern Europe (Master), Paris Diderot University
Teaching Assistant in Post-1945 International Relations: The Global Cold War (2nd year), Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris (Sciences-Po)
Teaching Assistant in Global History, Paris Diderot University (1st year)
- 2014-2017 Teaching Assistant in Global History, Paris Diderot University (1st year)
- 2013-2014 Teaching Assistant in History of non-Western societies, Paris Diderot University (1st year)
- 2011-2012 Teaching Assistant in History of non-Western societies, Paris Diderot University (1st year)
Teaching Assistant in History in Digital History, Paris Diderot University (3rd year)

ORGANISATION OF RESEARCH PROJECTS AND CONFERENCES' SESSION

- 2018 World Economic History Congress in Boston. Panel: *Financial centers, agents and transactions on the long run. Towards a multidimensional approach and tools of analysis*. Panel organizer (with Paul Lagneau-Ymonet)
- 2014 Paris Diderot University, Bologna University (Project financed by the European Association for Digital Humanities): "Digital History: A practicum". Project coordinator
- 2013 LASA Meeting in Washington (Latin American Studies Association). Panel: *International financial credit in Latin American development: actors, ideologies and practices*. Panel organizer
- 2013 Paris Diderot University, Bologna University: Workshop « Digital History : Approches, méthodes et outils de travail ». Workshop coordinator.
- 2012 Paris Diderot University, Bologna University, Luigi Einaudi Foundation (Turin):
International workshop « Les correspondances comme source relationnelle, approches et méthodes». Workshop coordinator

MAIN PRESENTATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

- 2013 LASA Annual Meeting in Washington (Latin American Studies Association). Paper: "International aid, local elites and economic institutions in Colombian development (1941-1955)"
- 2012 EBHA Conference in Paris (European Business History Association: Paper: "International Credit and Joint Ventures in Colombian Industrial Development (1925-1955)"

- 2011 BHC Conference Annual Meeting in Saint Louis (American Business History Association). Paper: “David Lilienthal, the World Bank, and the Development of a Transnational Network of International Economic Advising, 1950-1960”
- 2011 AHA Annual Meeting (American Historical Association) in Boston, 6-10 Janvier 2011. Social Networks and Institutional Change: International Economic Advising in the Colombian Political Economy, 1949–52
- 2009 International Conference *América Latina: crisis y cambio global. Política, ciudadanía y población* in Madrid. Paper “International economic advising in Colombian Economy”
- 2009 Fourth Annual Appalachian Spring Conference in World history and Economics. Paper “The Emergence of World Bank development Aid: the General Survey Mission in Colombia.”

MAIN PRESENTATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS

- 2018 LSE-Sciences Po International History seminar. Paper: Development programs during the Cold War. The Tennessee Valley Authority model in Italy and Colombia (1950-1965)
- 2017 Paris School of Economics, Atelier Simiand (Economic history seminar) “Equipex Données financières historiques, questions et méthodes” (with Raphael Hekimien, Angelo Riva and Stefano Ungaro).
- 2016 Toulouse School of Economics, international workshop *Réseaux et Finance dans le long terme*. Paper: “Banks and Networks at the Belle Époque: Performance and Stability” (with Raphael Hekimian),
- 2016 Paris School of Economics, international workshop *Building up : historical financial and banking databases*. Paper: “The Equipex DFIH Data for financial history. Building a database on the French Stock markets” (with Raphael Hekimian).
- 2015 Paris School of Economics, Seminar of economic history: *Atelier Simiand*. Paper: “International advising and economic development in Italy: the World Bank loans (1955-1960).
- 2014 Université Paris Diderot (Laboratoire CESSMA), Seminar *pratiques de recherche sur les mondes africains, américains et asiatiques*. Paper: «La Banque Mondiale et les programmes de développement économique. Une approche relationnelle dans l’étude des missions en Colombie (1949-1955)».
- 2013 Research group « Réseaux et Histoire » 1st workshop at Nice. Paper : « Politiques locales et experts internationaux : Les réseaux de la Banque Mondiale en Colombie ».
- 2012 Fondation Sciences Politiques, Centre d’Histoire Contemporaines. Seminar *Histoire de l’Amérique Latine*. Paper: “The World Bank in Colombia in the Cold War system: some reflections from a social network analysis approach”.
- 2011 Bologna University. Summer School *Mezzogiorno e sviluppo*. Paper: “Organizzazioni internazionali e piani di sviluppo. La Banca Mondiale e David Lilienthal tra Colombia e Mezzogiorno d’Italia (1953-1960)”

LINGUISTIC AND COMPUTER SKILLS

- Languages English: fluent; French: fluent; Spanish: fluent; Italian: native
- Computer skills Database software (SQL, MS Access), Social network analysis software (Gephi, Pajek), R