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Personal Information

Born in Chiavari (GE), Italy, on the 3rd July 1979

Italian citizenship

2 children (born 2014 and 2016)

Current Positions

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| 2017 - present | Professor in Economics, University Paris-Sud |
| 2017 - present | Research fellow, Paris School of Economics |
| 2016 - present | Research fellow, Centro Studi Luca D'Agliano |
| 2014 - present | Research fellow, IZA (Bonn) |
| 2014 - present | Full member, European Development Research Network |

Past Positions

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| 2011 - 2017 | Associate professor, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne |
| 2011 - 2017 | Associate member, Paris School of Economics |
| 2015 - 2017 | <i>Délégation CNRS</i> (part-time secondement) |
| 2008 - 2011 | Assistant professor, Paris School of Economics |
| 2011 - 2014 | Associate member, European Development Research Network (EUDN) |

Education

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| 2014 | <i>Habilitation à diriger les recherches</i> , Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne |
| 2004 - 2008 | Ph.D. in Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (Spain), <i>Summa cum Laude</i> |
| 2007 | European Doctoral Program Exchange Student, Paris School of Economics |
| 2003 - 2004 | MSc in Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (Spain), <i>Pass with Honours</i> |
| 1998 - 2002 | <i>Laurea</i> in Economic and Social Sciences (Quantitative Methods), Università Bocconi (Italy), <i>110 cum Laude/110</i> |
| 1993 - 1998 | High school diploma, Liceo Classico A. D'Oria (Italy), <i>60/60</i> |

Research Fields

Networks, Microeconometrics, Development Economics, Experimental Economics

Current Teaching

Economic Growth (undergraduate); Public Economics (undergraduate); Networks and Social Interactions (Graduate); Survey Design and Field Work (Graduate); Trade and Development Policies (graduate); Microeconomic Policy Evaluation (PSE Summer School in Microeconometrics)

Published and Accepted Papers

“An Experimental Study of Decentralized Networked Markets with Unobserved Preferences” (avec M. Fafchamps), forthcoming at *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*

“The Missing Transfers: Estimating Mis-reporting in Dyadic Data” (with M. Fafchamps), *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 65 (3): 549-582, 2017.

“The Formation of Migrant Networks” (with M. Mendola), *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*, 117(2): 592-618, 2015.

“Testing Unilateral and Bilateral Link Formation” (with M. Fafchamps), *The Economic Journal*, 124: 954-976, 2014.

“Can Governments Boost People's Sense of Well-Being? The Impact of Selected Labour Market and Health Policies on Life Satisfaction” (with R. Boarini, F. de Keulenaer, R. Manchin, C. Smith), *Social Indicators Research*, 114 (1): 105-120, 2013.

“Salaried Employment and Earnings in Indonesia: New evidence on the selection bias” (with L. de Mello), *Applied Economics*, 45: 2808-2816, 2013.

“Democracies, Politics and Arms Supply,” *Review of International Economics*, 20(1): 150-163, 2012.

“How does Decentralized Minimum Wage Setting affect Employment and Informality? The case of Indonesia” (with L. de Mello), *Review of Income and Wealth*, 57: S79-S99, 2011.

“Fiscal Decentralization and Urbanization in Indonesia” (with L. de Mello), in *Urbanization and Development in Asia: Multidimensional Perspectives* edited by J. Beall, B. Guha-Khasnobis and R. Kanbur, Oxford University Press, 2012.

“Enhancing the Effectiveness of Social Policies in Indonesia” (with L. de Mello), OECD Economics Department Working Papers n. 810, published as Chapter 4 in *OECD Economic Surveys: Indonesia 2010*, OECD Publishing.

Non-academic publications

“Missing Transfers: New Evidence from Dyadic Data” (with M. Fafchamps), *Vox EU*, 8th December 2015.

“With a Little Help from my Friends? Social Links and Economic Outcomes” (with M. Fafchamps), *Vox EU*, 4th November 2014.

Under revision

“Treatment Effect Accounting for Network Changes” (avec S. Prina), *Revise & Resubmit* at *Review of Economics and Statistics*

“Estimating Local Network Externalities”, SSRN working paper n. 946093, 2016. *Reject & Resubmit* at *Quantitative Economics*

Grants, Scholarships and Fellowships

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| 2014 - 2018 | National research agency grant ANR <i>DynaMITE</i> (Dynamic Matching and Interactions: Theory and Experiments): in charge of lab experiments for the <i>DynaNet</i> program |
| 2011 - 2014 | National research agency grant ANR <i>NET</i> (Information and Communication in Large |

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| | Networks): participant (30% of research time) |
| 2012 | Research grant (project: “Departures from Payoff Maximization in Market-like Link Formation: An experimental study”), Paris School of Economics |
| 2008 | Robert Solow Fellowship (declined) |
| 2007 | EBES grant, Universitat Pompeu Fabra |
| 2006 | European Science Foundation grant for the workshop “Networks and Behavior: Statistical Models and Advances in the Theory of Action” |
| 2005 - 2008 | FI Graduate Research Scholarship, Generalitat de Catalunya (Spain) |

Professional Experience

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| Dec. 2012 - June 2013 | Statistics Directorate - Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), external consultant (project on inclusive growth determinants across OECD countries) |
| Dec. 2010 - April 2011 | Statistics Directorate - Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), external consultant (in charge of an econometric analysis of subjective well-being indicators across OECD countries) |
| Oct. 2008 - April 2010 | Dept. of Economics (Italy Desk, Indonesia Desk) - Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), external consultant (in charge of various public policy evaluation projects based on micro data) |
| Nov. 2007 - July 2008 | Dept. of Economics (Indonesia Desk) - Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), full-time consultant (in charge of an econometric analysis of labour informality and minimum wage in Indonesia) |
| July 2007 - Sept. 2007 | Africa Partnership Forum Support Unit - Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), full-time consultant (project on agriculture, infrastructure and trade in Africa) |
| June 2006 - July 2006 | Regional Operations Dept. 3 - Inter American Development Bank (IADB), intern (working on labour markets in Colombia) |
| May 2003 - Sept. 2003 | <i>Asociación de Instituciones Financieras para el Desarrollo Rural</i> (Bolivia), intern (working on microfinance - household data analysis, field work) |

Field Work

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| Nepal, June 2011 | Data collection supervision in twenty slum communities around Pokhara, in collaboration with a local NGO named GONESA. The project was aimed at gathering quantitative information on the poor’s informal financial activities. |
| Bolivia, August 2003 | Data collection on seasonal demand for micro-credit of small agricultural firms (field work of FINRURAL). |

Academic Service

Referee for: *Journal of Development Economics, Population, Journal of Economic Geography, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Public Economics, The Economic Journal, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Journal of African Economies, Journal of Development Studies, Oxford Economics Papers, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, World Development, Review of Economics of the Household, Revue Economique.*

Conferences and Invited Talks

- 2016 - 2017 Seminar at Stockholm University (Sept. 2016) and Stanford University (June 2017)
- 2015 - 2016 Workshop Paris 1 - Cairo University (Sept. 2015), seminar at CERDI - university of Auvergne (Sept. 2015), seminar at the University of Balearic Island (Oct. 2015)
- 2014- 2015 6th conference of the French Experimental Economics Association (June 2015), seminar at Goethe University Frankfurt (June 2015)
- 2013-2014 Invited seminars at Toulouse School of Economics (Toulouse, Sept 2013), University of Alicante (Oct 2013), University of Oxford (Oct 2013), GREQAM-Marseille (Nov 2013), Workshop on Advances in Family Economics and Applications to Developing Countries at University of Nanterre (Dec 13), ASSA meetings (Jan 14), Universidade Nova de Lisboa (Feb 14), workshop on Social Networks and Matching Processes (Oxford, March 2014).
- 2012 - 2013 Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC) Conference (Dartmouth, Nov 2012); Applied Micro Seminar at the DIW (Berlin, Nov 2012); SIUTE seminar (Univ. Lille 1, April 2013); 6th International Conference on Migration and Development (Ifrane, May 2013); DIAL Institution and Development Conference (Paris, June 2013); IZA workshop on social networks (Bonn, June 2013).
- 2011 - 2012 ASFEE *Workshop on Field experiments* (Montpellier, Nov. 2011)
- 2010 - 2011 DIAL conference on Shocks in Developing Countries (Paris, June 2011), Annual conference of the Centre for the Study of African Economies (Oxford, March 2011), European Science Foundation Workshop on Information and Behavior in Networks (Oxford, Dec 2010), seminar at the Institute for Social and Economic Research (Colchester, Dec 2010), European Development Research Network (EUDN) Scientific Conference (Paris, Nov 2010), Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC) Conference (Boston, Nov 2010).
- 2009 - 2010 Seminar at the university Bordeaux 4 (May 2010), International Association for Research in Income and Wealth (IARIW) Special Conference on Measuring the Informal Economy in Developing Countries (Kathmandu, Sept 2009).
- 2008 - 2009 Congress of the European Economic Association and Econometric Society European Meeting (Barcelona, Aug 2009), DIME International Conference on the Formation and the Evolution of Social and Economic Networks (Paris, June 2009), Development Research Network (EUDN) Scientific Conference (Paris, Nov 2008).
- 2007 - 2008 Seminar at the Centre for the Study of African Economies (Oxford, April 2008), seminar at the University of Oslo (Feb 2008), European Doctoral Program Jamboree (Paris, Nov 2007).

Skills

Languages Italian (mother tongue), English (fluent), Spanish (fluent), French (fluent)
PC Literature Stata/Mata, Matlab, software for network analysis (Pajek, Siena, Stocnet)

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