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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Professor, University of Turin — 2022–present
Ricercatore RTD-B

Post-doc Research Fellow, University of Turin — 2020–2022
Assegno di ricerca tipo B

Post-doc Research Fellow, University of Milan — 2018–2019
Assegno di ricerca tipo A

Post-doc Research Fellow, Central European University — 2013–2018

Teaching Associate, University of Mannheim — 2012–2013

Marie Curie Early Stage Researcher, Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES), University of Mannheim — 2009–2012

QUALIFICATIONS

National Scientific Qualification for Associate Professor in Political Science — 2020
Abilitazione ASN per professore II Fascia (14/A2) validità 16/11/2020–16/11/2029

PhD in Political Science, *Summa cum laude*, University of Mannheim (Germany) — 2014

M.A. Social Science, *with Honors*, University of Milan (Italy) — 2009

B.A. Linguistic and Cultural Mediation, University of Milan (Italy) — 2005

ACADEMIC RESEARCH PROJECTS

CODER – Centre for Public Opinion and Digital Environment Research — 2020–present
University of Turin

· Implementation of data collection platform
· Social media data collection
· Data analysis

ProConEu – Friends and Foes of the European Union — 2020–present
University of Mannheim

· Member of the working group "Voter's Behaviour and Election Outcomes"

Hate speech and politics — 2020–present
University of Turin

· Developing a lexicon to detect hate speech and incivility in Italian written texts
· Data analysis

MPop – Media Populism Expert Survey'　　　　　　　　　2020–present
University of Turin

· Developing items for expert survey

· Metadata collection for media outlets

The impact of COVID-19 pandemic crisis on social and institutional trust　　2020–present
University of Turin

· Study design

· Questionnaire design

· Data analysis

DEMOS – Democratic Efficacy and the Varieties of Populism in Europe　　2020–2022
PI: Zsolt Boda (Hungarian Academy of Sciences)

· Social media data collection

· Survey design

· Survey implementation

· Data analysis

The impact of COVID-19 pandemic crisis on political attitudes in Europe　　2020–2022
Istituto Carlo Cattaneo, Bologna (IT)

· Survey design

· Survey implementation

· Data management

· Data analysis

ISSP – International Social Survey Programme　　　　　　　　2019–2022
University of Milan

· National PI and country representative for Italy (with Simona Guglielmi and Andrea Pedrazzani)

· Survey design

· Survey implementation

European Elections 2019　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　2019
University of Milan

· Member of the working group on questionnaire design

**SPSTrend – Laboratorio di ricerca sul cambiamento sociale
e politico Hans Schadee**　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　2018–2022
University of Milan

· Survey design

· Data analysis

· Website maintenance (2018–2019)

CNEP – Comparative National Elections Project　　　　　　　　2018
University of Milan

· Questionnaire translation and design of additional items for the 2018 wave of CNEP in Italy

CSES – Comparative Study of Electoral Systems   2018
University of Milan

· Questionnaire translation and design of additional items for the 2018 wave of CSES in Italy

· Sample design and extraction

· Survey implementation

· Metadata collection and reporting

Polarized Polities   2016–2017
PI: Jennifer McCoy (Georgia State University)

· International workshop organization (Budapest, 2017)

· Participation in collaborative research on political polarization worldwide

CUPESSE – Cultural Pathways to Economic Self-Sufficiency and Entrepreneurship   2015–2018
PI: Jale Tosun (University of Heidelberg)

· Survey design

· Survey implementation

· Data processing, cleaning, and management

· Data analysis

CEU Summer University in Political Psychology   2015
Central European University

· Organizer and faculty member of the summer school "Political Psychology: Social Interaction in the Context of Attitudes and Ideologies", held at the Central European University in 2015

· Workshop chair and moderator

Experimental Project on Hungarian Elections   2014
Central European University

· Design of a post-electoral survey for the Hungarian elections of 2014

PolBeRG project on experimental political behaviour   2013–2014
Central European University

· Questionnaire design

COST Action IS0806, The True European Voter   2009–2014
PI: Hermann Schmitt (University of Mannheim)

· Data harmonization and integration

ELECDEM – Training Network in Electoral Democracy   2009–2012
PI: Susan Banducci (University of Exeter)

· Work package 6: European Electoral Democracy Under Stress

PRIVATE SECTOR RESEARCH WORK

Data science consultant, ZK Analytics   2016-present

· Regression analysis

· Machine learning

- Quantitative text analysis of open-ended survey data (topic modeling, sentiment analysis)
- Data visualization and reporting

Data science consultant, xUpery 2017
- Automated collection of Twitter data via rest API
- Scaling and visualization of Twitter following patterns

TEACHING

PhD courses and international summer schools

2020	Introduction to R (NASP, Network for the Advancement of Social and Political Studies)
2019	Quantitative Text Analysis (in Italian, University of Turin)
2018–2019	Data analysis with Stata (University of Milan)
2018	Survey Statistics (University of Heidelberg)
2017–2018	Introduction to Experimental Research in the Social Sciences (ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques)
2016	Introduction to Stata and R (University of Zagreb)
2014–2017	Intro to GLM: Binary, Ordered and Multinomial Logistic, and Count Regression Models (ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques)

M.A. and B.A. courses

2023–present	Analisi delle Politiche Pubbliche (in Italian, University of Turin)
2023–present	Scienza Politica (in Italian, University of Turin)
2022–present	Analisi Automatizzata del Contenuto (in Italian, University of Turin)
2022	Laboratorio R per le Scienze Sociali (in Italian, University of Turin)
2022	Nuove Tecnologie, Comunicazione Pubblica e Politica (in Italian, University of Turin)
2020–2022	Scienza Politica e dell'Opinione (in Italian, University of Turin)
2019–2022	Introduction to R (University of Milan)
2019	Quantitative methods for political and social research with SPSS (in Italian, University of Milan)
2012	Introduction to Data Analysis and Graphics with R (University of Mannheim)

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

University of Turin

Thesis supervision: 20
Graduation commissions: 9

GRANTS

CEU Conferences and Academic Events Fund 2017
7,000 EUR

- Funding for organizing the international workshop "Polarized Polities", co-funded by the American National Science Foundation, in Budapest in March 2017

CEU Summer University 2014
9,750 EUR

· Funding for organizing a Summer School in Political Psychology, co-funded by the International Society of Political Psychology, in Budapest in July 2015

International Society of Political Psychology Small Grants Program 2014
5,000 USD

· Funding for organizing a Summer School in Political Psychology in Budapest in July 2015

Central European University Research Support Scheme 2014
5,000 EUR

· Funding of the research project "Experimental Project on Hungarian Elections", co-funded by MIT, Harvard University and UQ Montreal

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Founding member of Methods Excellence Network (MethodsNET)
Political Communication Standing Group (*Comunicazione politica*), Italian Political Science Association
Research Methods for Political Science Standing Group (*Metodi della ricerca per la scienza politica*), Italian Political Science Association (SISP)
Parties, Public Opinion, Elections Standing Group (*Partiti, opinione pubblica, elezioni*), Italian Political Science Association (SISP)

PUBLICATIONS

Peer reviewed journal articles

· Luana Russo, **Federico Vegetti** (2023) "The general election of 2022: the return of bipolarity?" *Contemporary Italian Politics*, 15:2, 159-174, doi: 10.1080/23248823.2023.2189080 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· **Federico Vegetti**, Moreno Mancosu (2022) "Perceived exposure and concern for misinformation in context: Evidence from 27 European countries" *American Behavioral Scientist*, in press (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· **Federico Vegetti**, Levente Littvay (2022) "Belief in conspiracy theories and attitudes towards political violence" *Italian Political Science Review / Rivista Italiana di Scienza Politica*, 52(1), 18-32, doi: 10.1017/ipo.2021.17 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· Moreno Mancosu, Antonella Seddone, Giuliano Bobba, **Federico Vegetti** (2021) "'In conspiracies we trust': interpersonal/institutional trust and beliefs in conspiracy theories during the COVID-19 pandemic" *Italian Political Science*, 16(2), 1-15.

· Giuliano Bobba, Moreno Mancosu, Franca Roncarolo, Antonella Seddone, **Federico Vegetti** (2021) "Losers get sick? The effects of electoral defeat on perceptions of pandemic risk" *Italian Journal of Electoral Studies*, 84(2), 79-91, doi: 10.36253/qoe-10749

· Moreno Mancosu, **Federico Vegetti** (2021) "Is it the message or the messenger? Conspiracy endorsement and media sources" *Social Science Computer Review*, 39(6), 1203–1217, doi: 10.1177/0894439320965107 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· Giuliano Bobba, Moreno Mancosu, Antonella Seddone, **Federico Vegetti** (2020) "Il Barometro dell'Odio nello Sport. L'hate speech online nelle conversazioni sportive su Facebook e Twitter" *Problemi dell'informazione*, 2/2020, 313-318, doi: 10.1445/97797

· Moreno Mancosu, **Federico Vegetti** (2020) "What you can scrape and what is right to scrape. A proposal for a tool to collect public Facebook data" *Social Media + Society*, July 2020, doi: 10.1177/2056305120940703

· **Federico Vegetti**, Moreno Mancosu (2020) "The impact of political sophistication and motivated reasoning on misinformation" *Political Communication*, 37(5), 678-695, doi: 10.1080/10584609.2020.1744778 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· Martin Lukes, Manuel Feldmann, **Federico Vegetti** (2019) "Work values and the value of work: different implications for young adults' self-employment in Europe" *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, 682(1), 156-171, doi: 10.1177/0002716219828976 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· **Federico Vegetti** (2019) "The Political Nature of Ideological Polarization: The Case of Hungary" *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, 681(1), 78-96, doi: 10.1177/0002716218813895 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· Jale Tosun, José Arco-Tirado, Maurizio Caserta, Zeynep Cemalcilar, Markus Freitag, Felix Hörisch, Carsten Jensen, Bernhard Kittel, Levente Littvay, Martin Lukes, William Maloney, Monika Mühlböck, Emily Rainsford, Carolin Rapp, Bettina Schuck, Jennifer Shore, Nadia Steiber, Nebi Sümer, Panos Tsakloglou, Mihaela Vancea, **Federico Vegetti** (2019) "Perceived economic self-sufficiency: A country- and generation-comparative approach" *European Political Science*, 18(3), 510-531, doi: 10.1057/s41304-018-0186-3 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· **Federico Vegetti** and Daniela Sirinic (2019) "Left-right Categorization and Perceptions of Party Ideologies" *Political Behavior*, 41(1), 257-280, doi: 10.1007/s11109-018-9451-y (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· Bruno Castanho Silva, **Federico Vegetti** and Levente Littvay (2017) "The Elite Is Up to Something: Exploring the Relation Between Populism and Belief in Conspiracy Theories" *Swiss Political Science Review*, 23(4), 423-443, doi: 10.1111/spsr.12270 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· **Federico Vegetti** and Dragoş Adăscăliţei (2017) "The impact of the economic crisis on latent and nascent entrepreneurship in Europe" *International Entrepreneurship and Management Journal*, 13(4), 1289-1314, doi: 10.1007/s11365-017-0456-5

· **Federico Vegetti**, Zoltán Fazekas and Zsombor Méder (2017) "Sorting your way out: perceived party positions, political knowledge, and polarization" *Acta Politica*, 52(4), 479-501, doi: 10.1057/s41269-016-0029-6 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· **Federico Vegetti** (2014) "From Political Conflict to Partisan Evaluations: How Citizens Assess Party Ideology and Competence in Polarized Elections" *Electoral Studies*, 35, 230-241, doi: 10.1016/j.electstud.2014.01.007 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· **Federico Vegetti**, Monica Poletti and Paolo Segatti (2014) "Availability or disengagement? How Italian citizens reacted to the two-faced parliamentary grand coalition supporting the Monti government" *Polis*, 28(1), 61-84, doi: 10.1424/76410 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

· **Federico Vegetti**, Monica Poletti and Paolo Segatti (2013) "When responsibility is blurred. Italian national elections in times of economic crisis, technocratic government, and ever-growing populism" *Italian Political Science Review / Rivista Italiana di Scienza Politica*, 43(3), 329-352, doi: 10.1426/75243 (Fascia A - 14/A2)

Books

· **Federico Vegetti** (2020) *The Electoral Implications of Political Polarization* Roma, Aracne editrice. ISBN: 978-88-255-3027-8

Book chapters

· Giuliano Bobba, Antonella Seddone, Augusto Valeriani, **Federico Vegetti** (2023) "L'inciviltà politica nella campagna elettorale 2022: percezione e reazione degli elettori" in ITANES *Svolta a destra? Cosa ci dice il voto del 2022*, Il Mulino, ISBN: 978-88-15-38625-0

· Luana Russo, **Federico Vegetti** (2023) "Le elezioni politiche del 2022: un ritorno al bipolarismo?" in Genovese, F., Vassallo, S. *Politica in Italia. I fatti dell'anno e le interpretazioni. Edizione 2023*, Il Mulino, ISBN: 978-88-15-38631-1

· **Federico Vegetti**, Luana Russo (2023) "Sfide nei collegi ed effetto maggioritario" in Vassallo, S., Verzichelli, L. *Il bipolarismo asimmetrico. L'Italia al voto dopo il decennio populista*, Il Mulino, ISBN: 978-88-15-38318-1

· **Federico Vegetti** (2022) "Teaching Experimental and Quasi-experimental Designs" in Brown, M., Nordyke, S., Thies, C. *Teaching Undergraduate Political Methodology*, Edward Elgar Publishing (Elgar Guides to Teaching), ISBN: 978-1-80088-546-2

· Antonella Seddone, Giuliano Bobba, Moreno Mancosu, **Federico Vegetti** (2022) "C come cospirazione. Attitudini populiste e teorie del complotto ai tempi del covid" in Sessa, M. G. *Dalla pandemia all'infodemia. La disinformazione ai tempi del Covid-19*, Quaderni Fondazione Giangiacomo Feltrinelli, ISBN: 978-88-6835-442-8

· **Federico Vegetti** (2021) "Mappare la competizione tra partiti ai tempi del Covid-19" in Maggini, N., Pedrazzani, A. *Come siamo cambiati? Opinioni, orientamenti politici, preferenze di voto alla prova della pandemia*, Quaderni Fondazione Giangiacomo Feltrinelli, ISBN: 978-88-6835-4312

· **Federico Vegetti** (2021) "Ideological Polarisation" in Schmitt, H., Segatti, P., van der Ejik, C. *Consequences of Context. How the Social, Political and Economic Environment Affects Voting*, ECPR Press, ISBN: HB 978-1-53815-150-1

· **Federico Vegetti**, Riccardo Ladini (2019) "Transizione 2013-2018" in Schadee, H., Segatti, P., Vezzoni, C. *Apocalisse della democrazia italiana. Italiani tra due elezioni*, Il Mulino, ISBN: 978-88-15-00000-0

· Hans Schadee, Paolo Segatti, **Federico Vegetti** (2019) "La rappresentazione dello spazio politico all'epoca della (presunta) morte di sinistra e destra" in Schadee, H., Segatti, P., Vezzoni, C. *Apocalisse della democrazia italiana. Italiani tra due elezioni*, Il Mulino, ISBN: 978-88-15-00000-0

· Paolo Segatti, **Federico Vegetti** (2019) "L'economia e il terremoto elettorale del 2018" in Schadee, H., Segatti, P., Vezzoni, C. *Apocalisse della democrazia italiana. Italiani tra due elezioni*, Il Mulino, ISBN: 978-88-15-00000-0

· Hans Schadee, Paolo Segatti, **Federico Vegetti** (2019) "Una domanda di più democrazia o di democrazia invisibile?" in Schadee, H., Segatti, P., Vezzoni, C. *Apocalisse della democrazia italiana. Italiani tra due elezioni*, Il Mulino, ISBN: 978-88-15-00000-0

· Dragoş Adăscăliţei and **Federico Vegetti** (2018) "Deregulation and Job Security during the Great Recession. A multilevel analysis" in Isidorsson, T., Kubisa, J. (eds.) *Job Quality in the Era of Flexibility*, Routledge, ISBN: 9781138561595

· **Federico Vegetti** (2014) "Hungary: The stability of Fidesz's domain" in De Sio, L., Emanuele, V. and Maggini, N. (eds.) *The European Parliament Elections of 2014*, CISE - Centro Italiano Studi Elettorali, ISBN (print): 978-88-98012-15-2 / ISBN (online): 978-88-98012-16-9

· **Federico Vegetti** (2014) "Ungheria: la stabilità del predominio di Fidesz" in De Sio, L., Emanuele, V. and Maggini, N. (eds.) *Le Elezioni Europee 2014*, CISE - Centro Italiano Studi Elettorali, ISBN (print): 978-88-98012-13-8 / ISBN (online): 978-88-98012-14-5

Book reviews

· "Polar Stars. Why the Political Ideologies of Modernity Still Matter" by Mauro Barisione. Milano: Milano University Press (2022) *Italian Political Science Review*

Conference proceedings

· Federico Nanni, Goran Glavaš, Simone Paolo Ponzetto, Sara Tonelli, Nicolo Conti, Ahmet Aker, Alessio Palmero Aprosio, Arnim Bleier, Benedetta Carlotti, Theresa Gessler, Tim Henrichsen, Dirk Hovy, Christian Kahmann, Mladen Karan, Akitaka Matsuo, Stefano Menini, Dong Nguyen, Andreas Niekler, Lisa Posch, **Federico Vegetti**, Zeerak Waseem, Tanya Whyte, Nikoleta Yordanova (2018) "Findings from the hackathon on understanding euroscepticism through the lens of textual data", *Proceedings of the LREC 2018 Workshop "ParlaCLARIN : LREC2018 workshop on creating and using parliamentary corpora"*, 59-66, ISBN: 978-0-306-40615-7

Reports

· **Federico Vegetti**, Arturo Bertero, Giuliano Bobba, Moreno Mancosu, Antonella Seddone (2021) "Fuel my fire. Social media, politica e hate speech in Italia," *Blue Paper*, University of Turin, forthcoming

· Salvatore Vassallo, **Federico Vegetti**, Rinaldo Vignati (2021) "Amministrative 2021: Quanta partecipazione? I flussi di Napoli e Torino," *Istituto Carlo Cattaneo*, Ottobre 2021

· Moreno Mancosu, Salvatore Vassallo, **Federico Vegetti** (2021) "L'opinione pubblica italiana durante la pandemia. Aspettative e giudizi sulle istituzioni nel confronto con altri 5 paesi europei," *Istituto Carlo Cattaneo*, Marzo 2021

· Osman Sahin, **Federico Vegetti**, Umut Korkut, Giuliano Bobba, Moreno Mancosu, Antonella Seddone, Agnieszka Stepińska, Samuel Bennett, Artur Lipiński, Dimitri A. Sotiropoulos, Manos Tsatsanis, Alexia Mitsikostas, Zsuzsanna Árendás, Vera Messing, Nicolas Hubé, Martin Baloge (2021) "Citizens' Reactions to Populism in Europe: How do target groups respond to the populist challenge?" *DEMOS Working Paper*, September, https://openarchive.tk.mta.hu/489/

· Moreno Mancosu, Costanza Tortù, Marco Valbruzzi, **Federico Vegetti**, Rinaldo Vignati, Salvatore Vassallo (2020) "Il ciclo elettorale 2020. Cosa c'è di nuovo," *Istituto Carlo Cattaneo*, Ottobre 2020

· Costanza Tortù, **Federico Vegetti**, Marco Valbruzzi, Moreno Mancosu, Rinaldo Vignati, Salvatore Vassallo (2020) "Referendum 2020: Nelle grandi città elettori del M5s compatti sul Sì, quelli del Pd divisi tra Sì, No e astensione. Anche gli elettori di centrodestra sostengono la riduzione dei parlamentari," *Istituto Carlo Cattaneo*, Settembre 2020

· Paolo Segatti, **Federico Vegetti** (2018) "Rapporto sull'accoglienza degli italiani: fattore sfiducia", *Il Regno*, 63 (18), 557-571

· **Federico Vegetti**, Bernhard Kittel, Monika Muhlbock, Julia Warmuth, Martin Lukes, Ondrej Dvoulety, Daniela Pauknerova, Christoph Arndt, Carsten Jensen, Jale Tosun, Jennifer Shore, Bettina Schuck, Felix Horisch, Daniel Kovarek, Maurizio Caserta, Simona Monteleone, Mihaela Lenuta Vancea, Mireia Utzet Sadurni, Jose Luis Arco Tirado, Carolin Rapp, Markus Freitag, Zeynep Cemalcilar, Emily Rainsford, William Maloney (2016) "*Survey Findings*", Deliverable D3.1 of the CUPESSE project

· Hermann Schmitt, Eva Heida Önnudottir, Eftichia Teperoglou, **Federico Vegetti** (2010) True European Voter: Microdata Codebook. University of Milan

Datasets

· Vincenzo Emanuele, Davide Angelucci, Bruno Marino, Leonardo Puleo, **Federico Vegetti** (2019) *Dataset of Electoral Volatility in the European Parliament elections since 1979*, Rome: Italian Center for Electoral Studies, doi: 10.7802/1905

· Jale Tosun, Felix Hörisch, Bettina Schuck, Jennifer Shore, Michael Woywode, Robert Strohmeyer, Bernhard Kittel, Nadia Steiber, Julia Warmuth, Monika Mühlböck, Martin Lukes, Miroslav Lorenc, Hana Lorencová, Daniela Pauknerová, Ivan Nový, Carsten Jensen, Christoph Arndt, Levente Littvay, **Federico Vegetti**, Robert Sata, Elena C. Balea, Maurizio Caserta, Alessio E. Boindo, Francesco Reito, Simona Monteleone, José L. Arco, Francisco Fernandez, Stephen Hughes, Francisco J. Carrillo, Mihaela Vancea, Jacint Jordana, Markus Freitag, Carolin Rapp, Zeynep Cemalcilar, Nebi Sümer, Roza Kamiloglu, Canan Coskan, William Maloney, Emily Rainsford, Panos Tsakloglou, Kyriakos Pierrakakis, Asimina Christoforou, Fay Makantasi (2018) *CUPESSE: Cultural Pathways to Economic Self-Sufficiency and Entrepreneurship*, GESIS Data Archive, Cologne. ZA7475 Data file Version 1.0.0, doi: 10.4232/1.13042

Software

· Moreno Mancosu, **Federico Vegetti** (2019) `fbSim`, R package to simulate a Facebook user's behavior to screen-scrape information from public pages

Work in progress

· Moreno Mancosu, **Federico Vegetti**. "Exploring material and ideological correlates of perceived victimhood."

· Moreno Mancosu, **Federico Vegetti**, Salvatore Vassallo. "Different stories for different people. Scapegoating and explanatory conspiracy theories in the wake of Covid-19 pandemic."

· Maurizio Avola, Giorgio Piccitto, **Federico Vegetti**. "Ethnic Penalty in the European labour markets: a multilevel approach."

· Bruno Castanho Silva, Rosario Aguilar, **Federico Vegetti**. "Radical Right Populists and the Spread of Covid-19 Conspiracies on Facebook"

· Steven M. Van Hauwaert, **Federico Vegetti**. "Immigration opinions and their origins: How European citizens respond to their environments (1980-2017)"

· Zoltán Fazekas, **Federico Vegetti**. "They are all the same: Populism and perception of mainstream parties"

· Aldo Paparo, **Federico Vegetti**. "Voting the candidate or the party? The role of SMD candidates in the 2018 Italian general election"

· Andrea De Angelis, **Federico Vegetti**. "Will you ever vote for me? Electoral availability and dimensions of political conflict using propensities to vote measures"

· **Federico Vegetti**, Paolo Segatti. "Attitudes toward immigration and the effectiveness of state institutions"

· **Federico Vegetti** and Gergő Závecz. "Poison the well: Categorization, stereotyping and perceptions of political polarization"

PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS

Invited talks and seminars

· Exploring material and ideological correlates of perceived victimhood *GPO Friends workshop, University of Newcastle*, Newcastle (UK), 2023

· Different conspiracies for different people: culprit-blaming stories and alternative epistemologies during the Covid-19 pandemic. *University of Konstanz*, Konstanz (DE), 2022

· What can we expect from the development of AI for fighting political polarization? *AI Society Roundtable (event organized by the Humane-AI-Net project)*, Online, 2021

· Populist language, issues, and the success of party communication on Facebook. *Text Mining Meeting*, University of Hamburg (online), 2021

· Studying political communication on social media: populist language and issues. *NASP - CCA Days*, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin (IT), 2021

· From policy disagreement to group conflict. Political polarization in perspective. *SPS Trend Webinar "The Concept of Polarization: How Useful for Social and Political Sciences?"* University of Milan (online), 2021

· Covid-19, social and institutional trust, and more. *Presentation of the internally funded Covid-19 projects*, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin (IT), 2020

· Political misinformation and misbeliefs - Fake news. *Corso di Psicologia Politica*, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milano (IT), 2020

· Lo spazio politico Italiano oltre sinistra e destra. Un approccio comportamentale. *Seminario ITANES "Sinistra, destra e nuove/altre dimensioni dello spazio politico"*, Istituto Carlo Cattaneo, Bologna (IT), 2019

· Voting the candidate or the party? The role of SMD candidates in the 2018 Italian general election. *Seminario CISE*, LUISS University, Roma (IT), 2019

· Political sophistication moderates the impact of partisan motivated reasoning on belief in fake news. *POMLAB Seminar*, University of Milan (IT), 2019

· The Elite Is Up to Something: Exploring the Relation Between Populism and Belief in Conspiracy Theories. *PolBeRG seminar*, Central European University, Budapest (HU), 2016

· Left-right Categorization and Perceptions of Party Ideologies. *Political Science Departmental Doctoral Seminar, Central European University*, Budapest (HU), 2016

· Political polarization in Hungary. Invited presentation at the *Pre-ISA Workshop on Polarized Polities*, Atlanta (USA), 2016

· Sorting your way out: perceived party positions, political knowledge, and polarization. Invited presentation at the *Information and Electoral Competition Workshop*, WZB, Berlin (DE), 2014

· Sorting your way out: perceived party positions, political knowledge, and polarization. Invited presentation at the *Comparative Politics Research Group Meeting, University of Southern Denmark*, Odense (DK), 2014

· The conflictual nature of ideological polarization. *PolBeRG seminar*, Central European University, Budapest (HU), 2013

· Polarization at the Meso-Level. The Effect of Party Characteristics on the Quality of Party Support. *Political Science Departmental Doctoral Seminar, Central European University*, Budapest (HU), 2011

Conference presentations

· Organizer and chair of the panel "Tales from the age of misinformation: conspiracy theories, fake news, and their political implications." *Convegno SISP (Italian Political Science Association)*, Online, 2021

· Populist attitudes and conspiracy beliefs in times of Covid-19. *Convegno SISP (Italian Political Science Association)*, Online, 2021

· Così fan tutti? L'incivility nei commenti alle pagine politiche su Facebook *Convegno SISP (Italian Political Science Association)*, Online, 2021

· Measuring media populism through a comparative expert survey: a first assessment. *ECPR General Conference*, Online, 2021

· Populist language, issues, and the success of party communication on Facebook. *ECPR General Conference*, Online, 2021

· Populist language, issues, and the success of party communication on Facebook: An analysis in 8 European countries. *Prague Populism Conference*, Online, 2021

· Introducing fbSim, an R library to simulate a Facebook user and collect public Facebook information. *Convegno AssoComPol*, Milano (IT), 2019

· Ethnic Penalty in the European labour markets: a multilevel approach. *ECSR conference*, Lausanne (CH), 2019

· They are all the same: Populism and perception of mainstream parties. *ISPP annual conference*, Lisbon (PT), 2019

· Attitudes toward immigration and the effectiveness of state institutions. *EPSA General conference*, Belfast (UK), 2019

· They are all the same: Populism and perception of mainstream parties. *EPSA General conference*, Belfast (UK), 2019

· Poison the well: Categorization, stereotyping and perceptions of political polarization. *Convegno SISP (Italian Political Science Association)*, Torino (IT), 2018

· What you can scrape and what is right to scrape. A proposal for a tool of ethical data collection on Facebook. *Convegno SISP (Italian Political Science Association)*, Torino (IT), 2018

· Voting against the establishment? Voting behavior and candidates' characteristics at the 2018 elections *Convegno "Elezioni Politiche e Regionali 2017/2018"*, Salerno (IT), 2018

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- Parenting style and the family transmission of ideology across cultures. *MPSA Annual Conference*, Chicago (USA), 2017
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- Relying on the Self: Entrepreneurial Attitudes in Times of Crisis. *MPSA Annual Conference*, Chicago (USA), 2016
- The backbone of democracy. Electoral availability and European elections. *Final Conference of the European Election Study 2014*, Mannheim (DE), 2015
- Ideological Bipolarization. Or the effect of stereotyping on the perception of ideological positions. *ISPP Annual Conference*, Rome (IT), 2014
- The Meaning of Citizens' Left-Right Self-Identifications, and Its Implications. *MPSA Annual Conference*, Chicago (USA), 2014
- When Responsibility is Blurred. Italian national elections in times of economic crisis, technocratic government, and ever-growing populism. *Convegno SISP (Italian Political Science Association)*, Florence (IT), 2013
- The conflictual nature of ideological polarization. *ECPR Joint Sessions*, Mainz (DE), 2013
- Party Polarization, Ideology, and Evaluations in Europe. *EPOP Annual Conference*, Oxford (UK), 2012
- The SEED (Science Speed Dating) Project – An innovative method to foster interdisciplinary research projects. *EARLI SIG 4 Higher Education Conference "Creativity and Innovation in Higher Education"*, Tallinn (EE), 2012
- Party Polarization and the Balance Between Ideology and Competence in Europe. *EPSA General Conference*, Berlin (DE), 2012
- Party polarization as a constraint for the voter's choice in multiparty systems. Evidence from the Netherlands. *MPSA Annual Conference*, Chicago (USA), 2012
- Seeing the trees from the forest: ideological self-placement and issue positions in a context (with Daniela Sirinic). *EPOP Annual Conference*, Exeter (UK), 2011
- When it's hard to change. Party system polarization and the potential vote shifting in Europe. *ECPR General Conference*, Reykjavik (IS), 2011
- Party system polarization and the distribution of party preferences. *Workshop in Advanced Techniques for Political Communication Research*, Amsterdam (NL), 2011
- A vicious cycle: Ideological polarization and centrifugal drives. *ECPR Graduate Conference*, Dublin (IE), 2010

TECHNICAL TRAINING

- International Workshop on Statistical Genetic Methods for Human Complex Traits. Institute for Behavioral Genetics, University of Colorado Boulder, 2016
- TEV Winter School on Methodological Issues in Comparative Electoral Analysis. University of Trento, 2013
- 3rd International Summer School in Political Communication and Electoral Behaviour. University of Milan, 2012
- ELECDEM Workshop in Comparative Research Methods: Analysing Cross-National and Multilevel Data in the Social Sciences. Istanbul, 2012
- Hierarchical Models. University of Essex, 2011

· Summer School in Political Psychology: Citizen Behaviors and Opinions. University of Oslo, 2011
· Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models. University of Mannheim, 2011
· ELECDEM Workshop in Advanced Techniques for Political Communication Research: Content Analysis. University of Amsterdam, 2011
· TEV Winter School on Methodological Issues in Comparative Electoral Analysis. Warsaw School of Social Sciences and Humanities, 2013
· Pooled Time-Series Cross-Sectional Analysis. University of Essex, 2010
· Logit and Probit Models. University of Essex, 2010
· ELECDEM Workshop in Experimental Methods. Brussels, 2010
· ELECDEM Workshop in Electoral Survey Design. CEU, 2010
· TEV Winter School on Methodological Issues in Comparative Electoral Analysis. University of Nottingham, 2013

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OTHER SKILLS

Software and programming

R, Stata, SPSS, Latex, Git

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Italian (native), English (fluent), Spanish (basic), German (very basic)