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POSITIONS

Post–Doctoral Researcher University of Parma, Parma, IT Theme: Reconfiguration of GVC in the European Defense sector	Mar. 2026
Scholarship Holder University of Padua, Padua, IT Theme: District Heating Systems	Jan. 2026 – Mar. 2026
Research Fellow University of Florence, Florence, IT Theme: Innovation in Regional Health Ecosystems	Jan. 2025 – Dec. 2025
Visiting Research Assistant Trinity College Dublin, Dublin, IE Hosting professor: Giulio Buciumi	Feb. 2024 – May 2024
Research Fellow University of Florence, Florence, IT Theme: A cost-benefit analysis of integrating AI into theater	Feb. 2020 – Nov. 2021
Intern Compass Banca S.P.A., Pisa, IT	Oct. 2019 – Feb. 2020

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Development Economics and Local Systems (DELoS) University of Florence, Florence, IT Specialization: Regional and Urban Economics, Industrial Economics, Labor Economics Supervisor: Marco Bellandi	Nov. 2021 – Nov. 2024
MSc in Economics University of Florence, Florence, IT	Sep. 2017 – Dec. 2019
BSc in Economics and Management University of Pisa, Pisa, IT	Oct. 2012 – Feb. 2017

TRAINING

Summer School in Economic Geography <i>University of Utrecht, Utrecht, NL</i>	May 2024
Panel Data Econometrics <i>Italian Econometric Association, Bertinoro, IT</i>	Jul. 2021

SKILLS

Language skills

Italian (native)
English (fluent, C1)

Programming and data analysis

Stata (*advanced*), LaTeX (*advanced*),
Microsoft Office (*advanced*), R (*intermediate*),
Python (*beginner*)
AI-assisted workflows in VS Code:
Codex, Claude Code (*advanced*)
Debugging, automation, refactoring,
and reproducible data pipelines

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Is Aging in the Regional Labor Market Wiping Out Localized External Economies? 2025

With Amir Maghssudipour, in Industrial and Corporate Change

The Effect of Cultural and Creative Production on Human Capital 2022

With Amir Maghssudipour and Marco Bellandi, in Papers in Regional Science

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Le Startup Innovative nelle Scienze della Vita 2025

With Marco Bellandi, Gianluca Fiorindi, Silvia Giordano, Sara Pucci, Silvia Ramondetta, Technical Report

WORKING PAPERS

How Firm Size Shapes Local Growth: Evidence from Italy Under Review

With Marco Bellandi

Territorial drivers of social innovations

with Amir Maghssudipour and Roberto Dellisanti

R&R

Regional Studies

Employer Competition and Productivity Gains in the Relevant Labor Market Under Review

Solo paper

Global Shocks, Local Responses In Progress

Solo paper

Tourism Boom, Local Bust: Investigating ‘Beach Disease’ In Progress

With Vieri Calogero

Determinants of Firm Size in Italian Manufacturing: Evidence from Micro-Data In Progress

with Alessandro Arrighetti and Marco Bellandi

Local Demand Shocks and New Firm Formation In Progress

with Francesco Perugini

DORMANT PAPERS

Labor Pooling and Labor Hoarding

with Maximilian Guennewig-Moenert

Unemployment Fluctuations and Allocative efficiency in Italy

with Thomas Bassetti

ORAL PRESENTATIONS IN CONFERENCES

<i>Invited Speaker – VIII Seminario annuale, Laboratorio di Pistoia sulla Dinamica Industriale, Pistoia – Determinants of Firm Size in Italian Manufacturing: Evidence from Micro-Data</i>	2025
<i>AISRe XLVI Annual Conference, Pescara – Global Shocks, Local Responses</i>	2025
<i>Invited Speaker – Responsible Innovation & Entrepreneurship, dSEA – Padova – Territorial drivers of social innovations</i>	2025
<i>RSA Annual Conference, Florence – Specialization, Local Competition, Productivity, External Economies</i>	2024
<i>Summer School in Economic Geography, Utrecht – Specialization, Local Competition, Productivity, External Economies</i>	2024
<i>VII International Conference on Cluster Research, Padova – Specialization, Local Competition, Productivity, External Economies</i>	2024
<i>VI International Conference on Cluster Research, Valencia – Firm Size, Multipliers and Local Development</i>	2023
<i>AISRe XLIV Annual Conference, Napoli – Firm Size, Multipliers and Local Development</i>	2023
<i>RSA Annual Conference, Ljubljana – Large Scale Economies, Agglomeration Externalities and Local Development. Evidence from Italy</i>	2023
<i>RSA Winter Conference, London – Non-competitive Market Structures and Local Economic Growth. Evidence from Italian Local Labor Market Areas</i>	2022
<i>ERSA 62nd Congress, Alicante (online) – Do Young People Impact Innovation and Productivity? Evidence from Italian NUTS-3 Regions</i>	2022
<i>YETI Meeting, Lucca – Non-competitive Market Structures and Local Industrial Development. Evidence from Italian Local Labor Market Areas</i>	2022
<i>AISRe XLII Annual Conference (online) – Cultural Participation and Entrepreneurship in Human Capital Formation. Evidence from European Regions</i>	2021
<i>ERSA 60th Congress (Virtual) – Cultural Participation and Entrepreneurship in Human Capital Formation. Evidence from European Regions</i>	2021
<i>IV International Cluster Conference, Florence (online) – Language as the Missing Link Between Culture and Local Development</i>	2021

TEACHING

Seminars in Economics of Local Production Systems

Undergraduate course held by Marco Bellandi (in Italian)

(1.) – The geography of Local Production Systems in Italy: Theory and Evidence	2025–2026
(2.) – The future of European competitiveness, Draghi Agenda	2025

Examination support

University of Florence

Supported undergraduate examination and grading activities.	2025–2026
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MEMBERSHIP

<i>Italian Regional Science Association</i>	2021–2022, 2023–2024, 2025–2026
<i>Regional Science Association</i>	2022–2023

REFEREEING ACTIVITY

Annals of Regional Science	2026
Letters in Spatial and Resource Science	2025–2026

REFERENCES

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