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PERSONAL

Italian citizen, born in Corato (BA) on 22/06/1994

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Mental Health, Public Economics, Political Economy, Machine Learning Methods, Behavioral Economics

EMPLOYMENT AND AFFILIATIONS

WZB

Research fellow (6 years non-Tenure track)

Sept 2023 -

Affiliated to BCCP, CESifo

EDUCATION

Erasmus University Rotterdam - Tinbergen Institute

PhD in Economics

Sept 2019 - June 2023

- Visiting PhD Student at UZH (April 2022) and NUS (fall 2022).

Tinbergen Institute

Master of Philosophy in Economics

Sept 2017 - July 2019

Barcelona School of Economics

Master of Science in Economics

Sept 2016 - July 2017

University of Trento

Bachelor in Economics and Management

Sept 2013 - July 2016

- Research Assistant for CEEL (Cognitive and Experimental Economics Laboratory)

PUBLICATIONS

Can cognitive dissonance theory explain action induced changes in political preferences?

with Tanja Artiga-Gonzalez and Georg Granic

Journal of Economic Psychology

Falling and failing (to learn): Evidence from a Nation-Wide Cybersecurity Field Experiment with SMEs

with David Gonzalez-Jimenez, Thomas Dirkmaat, Amber van Druten, Evelien van de Veer, and Aurelien Baillon

JEBO

WORKING PAPERS (INCLUDING R&R AND CONDITIONALLY ACCEPTED)

Who Should Get the Money? Estimating Welfare Weights in the U.S. **Rej Resubmit**
American Economic Review
with Krishna Srinivasan)

Mental Health, News Consumption and Polarization
with Valentin Bolotnyy and Siddarth George **Conditionally Accepted Journal of Development Economics**

**Measuring News Consumption in the Digital Age:
A Review and Future Directions** Under Review
with Ingar Haaland, Christopher Roth and Johannes Wolhfart

Mental Health Literacy, Beliefs about Care Seeking and the Demand for Mental Health Support among University Students Under Review
with Michelle Acampora and Vahid Moghani

Beliefs about the Gender Gap in Salary Negotiation Under Review

Politicized Scientists: Credibility Cost of Political Expression on Twitter Under Review
with Eleonora Alabrese and Prashant Garg

WORK IN PROGRESS

Beliefs of Dynamic Returns of Mental Health
with Sonia Bhalotra and Vahid Moghani

Mental Health of French Entrepreneurs
with Aurelien Baillon and Aysil Emirmahmutoglu

Measuring Ambiguity Attitudes in the Health Domain
with Aurelien Baillon and Vahid Moghani

Online Toxicity and Mental Health
with George Beknazar-Yuzbashev, Mateusz Stalinski, Kylan Rutherford

Stress and Demand for Online Content
with Sota Ichiba, Mateusz Stalinski

Understanding Funding Priorities Using Domain Specific Welfare Weights
with Krishna Srinivasan and Morten Stostad

What Motivates Preferences for Moderation on Social Media?
with George Beknazar-Yuzbashev, Mateusz Stalinski, Krishna Srinivasan

Preferences over Scientific Priorities
with Krishna Srinivasan and Mattie Toma

State Repression and Social Capital
with Matteo Giugovaz and Giuseppe Musillo

CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND SUMMER SCHOOLS

Presentations

- 2025: LMU Munich

- 2024: University of Heidelberg; Ludwig Erhard ifo Conference on Institutional Economics 2024; Bolzano Workshop in Applied Microeconomics; CESifo Conference Area in Public Economics; Guest Lecture on "Demand for News", University of Bath; CREST; Science Po; BRIO Workshop, emlyon Business School; University of Bath; Guest Lecture on "Stress and Mental Health in Education", NHH; Institute for Fiscal Studies Workshop on Mental Health; Guest Lecture for the course "Experimental Economics", University of Cologne; Rockwool Foundation; The Choice Lab, NHH; University of Bergen; Workshop on Beliefs, Memory and Narratives, LMU; Esade Economics; 3rd Berlin Workshop on Empirical Public Economics; University of Innsbruck; UAB Department of Economics; UAB Department of Applied Economics; Tilburg University; Erasmus University Rotterdam; University of Warwick; LSE Wellbeing Seminar; CUNEF
- 2023: WZB, Berlin; NYU Abu Dhabi; CORE Optimal Taxation Seminar, Universite Catholique de Louvain; Ludwig Erhard ifo Conference on Institutional Economics 2023*; GSS Seminar, University of Tilburg; Inequality in Rome Seminar, Roma Tre; Fondazione Bruno Kessler, Trento; University of Verona; ifo Center for Macroeconomics and Surveys, Munich; 12th ifo Dresden Workshop on Labor Economics and Social Policy*; Lyon GATE; M-BEES 23; University of Bari; IIPF23*; EEA 2023*; 2nd Workshop on Field Experiments in Business and Economics, DICE; Workshop on Beliefs, Memory and Narratives, LMU; Fairness of the Moral Mind, NHH; Fifth Dondena Workshop on Public Policy, Bocconi University*
- 2022: CESS Colloquium Oxford University; CBS 3rd Workshop Health and Inequality - Copenhagen; Applied Young Economics Webinar; Advances in Field Experiments, University of Chicago*; Eu-Hea2022, Oslo*; 8th IRDES-DAUPHINE Workshop*; The Choice Lab, NHH*; In-Equality, University of Konstanz*; Seminar University of Salzburg*; NoBeC Early Career, UPenn; II IEB Workshop on Public Policies, University of Barcelona; Essen Mental Health Workshop*; University of San Gallen; SIG Applied Seminar, National University Singapore; Brown Bag Seminar, Singapore Management University; Brown Bag Seminar, Nanyang Technological University; Brown Bag Seminar, DukeNUS Medical School; Mental Health and Economic Status Workshop, University of Warwick*
- 2021: 15th Political Economy Workshop CESifo; 3rd EAYE Workshop; Max Planck Summer School on Conflict and Redistribution - Max Planck Berlin; ESA Global; Tinbergen Institute Jamboree
- 2020 or before: PhD Lunch Seminar - Erasmus University Rotterdam; 2nd BEEN (Behavioral and Experimental Economics Network) meeting - Milan University; PhD Lunch Seminar - Erasmus University Rotterdam; PhD Day - Erasmus University Rotterdam

* presented by co-author

Summer Schools

- 2022: briq Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality, Bonn
- 2021: CEBI PhD Course on Subjective Beliefs in Macroeconomics and Household Finance - University of Copenhagen
- 2019: Innovation Growth Lab PhD Workshop - VU Amsterdam; Behavioral and Health Economics Summer School - Erasmus University Rotterdam

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Erasmus University Rotterdam

2019-2023

- Experimental Economics for MSc program in Economics (Co-Lecturer with dr. Jan Stoop).
- Introduction to Behavioral Economics for BSc program in Economics (exam preparation)
- Master and Bachelor Student supervision

Tinbergen Institute

2018

Teaching Assistant

- Microeconomics 1 for MPhil program (TI).

- Math refresher for MSc Students (VU Amsterdam).
- Introduction to Microeconomics for bachelor (VU Amsterdam).

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS AND GRANTS

British Academy Small Grant Co-PI with Mateusz Stalinski (GBP 10,000) (2024)

Winner of the CESifo Distinguished Award in Public Economics (2024)

Several grants from BSE Insights and BCCP (total \$9,000) (2024)

ODISSEI Liss Panel Grant with Admin data access from CBS Co-PI with Aurelien Baillon and Vahid Moghani (2023)

URPP Equality of Opportunities Grant Co-PI with Krishna Srinivasan (\$ 8,000) (2022)

Russell Sage Foundation Small Grant BE Co-PI with Krishna Srinivasan (\$7,800) (2021)

"Education Building Blocks" Co-PI with Vahid Moghani (\$5.000) (2021)

EUR Trustfund Application PI (\$ 3,000) (2021)

PhD scholarship from EUR (2019-2023)

Tinbergen Institute Scholarship: \$ 22,000 (2017-2019)

Tinbergen Institute TA Scholarship (2018)

University of Trento Merit Award 2017 for excellence results during bachelor

3rd place for CIBER Case Challenge - University of Connecticut (2015)

1st place at Admission Test for the department of Economics at University of Trento (2013)

REFEREEING ACTIVITY

Journal of European Economic Association, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Political Economy Micro, Economic Journal, Journal of Public Economics, Management Science, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Theory and Decision, European Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Economic Psychology, Health Economics, Frontiers in Behavioral Economics, Journal of Economic Inequality, British Journal of Political Science

Meeting of Young Economists 2023

ANCILLARY ACTIVITIES

WZB: Ethics Committee, member of the hiring committee for junior researchers, organizer for the "Memory, Mental Models, and Narratives" workshop with LMU, organizer for the "Linking Field and Survey Data with Admin Data" workshop

Ph.D. wellbeing and mental health committee member at ESE

Grading Committee of the National Dutch Economics Olympiad (2020-2021)

Member of Tinbergen Institute Educational Board (2017-2019)

Member of the Merit Class at Economics Department of University of Trento (2013-2015)

Member of the College of Honor of University of Trento (2013-2016)

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Software & Tools

R, Python, Stata, Office, LaTeX, Qualtrics, oTree, Open AI

Experimental Platforms

Amazon MTurk, Prolific

Languages

Italian (native), English (proficient), French (basic), Spanish (basic)