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Education and training

2004

Ph.D in Political Science

Origin and organizational development of Russian political parties
University of Pavia - Pavia - IT

1999

Degree in Political Science

The Founding elections (1993-1995) in post-communist Russia - 110/110 cum
laude
University of Genoa - Genoa - IT

Academic experience

2021 - ONGOING

Associate Professor in Comparative Politics and Political Science

University of Genoa - Genoa - IT

2005

Post-doctoral fellow

University of Genoa - Genoa - IT
Project on Institutions leadership and parties in the post-communist Russia

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Work experience

2018

OSCE Electoral Observer

OSCE - Russia - AT

2003

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2004 - ONGOING

Project Manager and Grant Holder Tempus Tacis

EU - Commission - Genova - IT

Language skills

English

Proficient

Russian

Proficient

2003

German

Basic

Teaching activity

February 2008 – till now: Teaching undergraduate courses: “Political Science (10CFU), “Politics of Eastern Europe” (6CFU), “Comparative Politics” (6CFU), Comparative Politics and Democratization in Latin America (8CFU) at the Department of Political Science (DISPO), University of Genova.

- September 2006 – March 2017: Teaching undergraduate courses “Political Science (10CFU)” and “Market and Democracy in Political Science (6FU)” at the Faculty of Political Science and International Relations, University of Parma (IT).

- 2006 - 2007: Teaching undergraduate course of “Public Opinion” at the Faculty of Sciences of Communication and Economics - University of Reggio Emilia (IT).

- 2006 - 2008: Teaching undergraduate course of “Local Government” at the Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Genoa.

Research interests

Democratizations in CEE; Political Parties (organizations, primaries, elites); Political Institutions; Leadership; Populism; Russian Political System; Russia and EU, Russian Foreign Policy.

Grants

2017 - 2018

Parma 5 years of M5S From M5S to Pizzarotti's 'Effetto

Parma'

Università di Genova FRA - IT

800 - Participant

This research tests Albertazzi and McDonnell's hypothesis on overpromising populism in power. Starting from the emergence of the FSM in the city of Parma and its local leader Pizzarotti who becomes the first Mayor of Grillo's political movement, there are some different approaches to study the development of this local party.

A qualitative approach through interviews made to local class politics and stakeholders, and a quantitative one applied to public opinion. The result are published co-edited with M.E. Lanzone in October 2018.

2015 - 2018

The presidentialization of parties in Russia

University of Genoa - FRA - IT

1800 - Participant

Assignments abroad

2020: Visiting Professor at the High School of Economics (Moscow)

2019: Visiting Professore at the Russian Diplomatic Academy of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2017: Visiting Researcher in Berlin Freie University

Other professional activities

Electoral Observer for OSCE: Mission for parliamentary Duma election in December 2003 and presidential election in March 2018.