

# **Sebastiano Benasso**

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Sebastiano Benasso, Ph.D. in Sociology, is Associate Professor at the Department of Educational Sciences (DISFOR) of the University of Genoa, Italy, where he is a lecturer of Sociology and Sociology of Tourism.

The main topics of his research are: Youth Studies, youth cultures, biographical transitions, school-to-work transitions, Visual Studies and cultural meanings and representations of food.

He is experienced in the application of both qualitative and quantitative methods of social research.

He is a member of the editorial board of *AG – International Journal of Gender Studies*.

He is the Coordinator of the Visual Sociology Laboratory hosted at the University of Genoa, Italy.

He has participated in more than sixty seminars, conferences and symposiums.

## **Education**

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| 2011 | University of Genoa, Italy – Department of Educational Sciences – Ph.D. in Sociology (Grant recipient). Dissertation title: “Biographical trajectories between reversibility and life project” (EQF level 8)                          |
| 2006 | University of Genoa, Italy – Department of Educational Sciences – Degree in Education – Dissertation title: “Service quality among the measures provided by the public Employment Service in Genoa” – 110/110 cum laude (EQF level 7) |

## **Teaching activities at a university level**

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| 2023 up to now | University of Genoa, Italy – School of Social Sciences - Department of Education Sciences – Bachelor’s Degree in “Media, Communication and Society”, Lecturer of “Sociology” |
| 2021 up to now | University of Genoa, Italy – School of Social Sciences - Department of Law – Bachelor’s Degree in “Social Service”, Lecturer of “Sociology”                                  |
| 2021 up to now | University of Genoa, Italy – School of Social Sciences - Department of Educational Sciences – Bachelor’s Degree in “Psychology”, Lecturer of “Sociology”                     |

- 2021 Lecturer for the Summer School of Migration Studies run by the University of Genoa, Italy with a lesson about the cultural meanings of food as rhetoric device for racialisation of migrant social groups
- 2021 up to now University of Genoa, Italy – School of Social Sciences - Department of Economics – Bachelor's Degree in “Tourism Sciences”, Lecturer of “Sociology of Tourism”
- 2019-2020 University of Genoa, Italy – School of Social Sciences - Department of Law – Bachelor's Degree in “Social Service”, Adjunct Professor of “Sociology”
- 2018-2019 University of Genoa, Italy – School of Social Sciences - Department of Educational Sciences – Bachelor's Degree in “Psychology”, Adjunct Professor of “Cultural Sociology”
- 2016 up to now University of Genoa, Italy – Department of Educational Sciences - Teaching in PhD course of Sociology and Social Sciences with lessons about Youth Studies, youth cultures, biographical transitions, and life course research
- 2016 Lecturer for the Summer School of Methods for Social Research “Giornate non-standard” run by the Cattolica University of Milan, Italy with lessons about Visual Sociology

**Participation in international research projects funded on the basis of international competitive call**

- 2022 up to now University of Genoa, Italy - Department of Educational Sciences – local P.I. of the European project CLEAR - Constructing Learning Outcomes in Europe: A multi-level analysis of (under)achievement in the life course (funded by Horizon Europe's Call HORIZON-CL2-2021-TRANSFORMATIONS-01-04: Addressing poor learning outcomes in basic skills and early school leaving at national, regional and local level in Europe)
- 2017-2019 University of Genoa, Italy - Department of Educational Sciences - European project “FORGET HERITAGE” – with the financial support of INTERREG Central Europe Program – responsible for the evaluation
- 2016-2019 University of Genoa, Italy - Department of Educational Sciences - European project “YOUNG\_ADULLLT: Policies Supporting Young Adults in their Life Course. A Comparative Perspective of Lifelong Learning and Inclusion in Education and Work

in Europe - with the financial support of Horizon 2020 Program – coordinator of the local research team.

2016-2019	University of Genoa, Italy - Department of Educational Sciences - European project "URBACT GEN-Y CITY: Developing, attracting & retaining Gen-Y 'creative tech' talent in European cities" – with the financial support of URBACT Connecting Cities, Building Success Program - coordinator of the local research team
2013-2014	University of Genoa, Italy - Department of Educational Sciences – International project "ETTS: Enfrentamento ao Tráfico de Pessoas e ao Turismo Sexual" – with the financial support of the EuropeAid programme – member of the local research team
2007	University of Genoa, Italy - Department of Educational Sciences – European project "TRESEGY: Toward a social construction of a European youth-ness: experience of inclusion and exclusion in the public sphere among second generation migrated teenagers" – with the financial support of FP6-CITIZENS Programme - member of the local research team

#### **Participation in national research projects funded on the basis of international competitive call**

2019 up to now	Italian Minister of Education (MIUR) – University of Genoa, Italy Department of Educational Sciences - Progetto di ricerca di rilevante interesse nazionale (PRIN) 2017 project "Evaluating the School-Work Alternance: a longitudinal study in Italian upper secondary schools" - construction, delivery and analysis of survey, qualitative interviews and data analysis focused on school-work transitions, writing National reports
2018 up to now	Italian Association of Municipalities – University of Genoa, Italy - Department of Educational Sciences – project "NEET: Nuove Energie Emergono dal Territorio a Genova" – scientific coordinator for evaluation and monitoring actions

#### **Other experiences in social research (selection of the most relevant)**

2020-2021	Italian Council of Ministers – Youth Policies Department – member of the research team in charge for the entry of the Italian sections of the "Youth Wiki" Platform of the European Commission
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2017-2018	Autonomous Region of Bolzano, Italy – Department for Social Inclusion – scientific coordinator of the research project “Indagine conoscitiva sul fenomeno della tratta e dello sfruttamento della prostituzione in Provincia di Bolzano”
2014	Osservatorio Balcani e Caucaso – scientific coordinator of the survey “Cercavamo la Pace. La solidarietà della società civile italiana con i Balcani. Dagli anni '90 alle sfide del presente”
2013 – 2015	University of Genoa, Italy – Department of Educational Sciences – Liguria Region, Italy – Department for Social Policies – researcher in charge of the construction of a statistical model for the distribution of social funds among the Municipalities of Liguria Region
2015-2020	University of Genoa, Italy – Department of Educational Sciences – Research Fellow in Sociology
2012	Visual Sociology Laboratory - University of Genoa, Italy – Department of Educational Sciences – Author and producer of the visual sociology documentary “dramma, scempio e fama” (directed by Alessandro Diaco)
2012	University of Palermo, Italy - University of Genoa, Italy – Department of Educational Sciences – project “I costi economici delle attività criminali nel Sestiere della Maddalena” - researcher in charge of the analysis of the social context of the neighbourhood Maddalena in Genoa, Italy
2009-2015	Liguria Region, Italy – Department for Educational and Employment Services – researcher in charge of the analysis of the impacts of participation in VET measures in Liguria Region
2008-2015	Liguria Region, Italy – Department for Educational and Employment Services – researcher in charge of the construction of the online data warehouse for the integration and analysis of the labour and educational trajectories within the educational and employment systems of Liguria Region
2007-2009	University of Genoa, Italy – Department of Educational Sciences – Research Fellow in Sociology

**Participation in/responsibility for institutional working groups (universities, public bodies, study, training and research organizations)**

2020 up to now Member of the board of the international research network “RYOT: Research on Youth Opportunities and Transitions”

2005 up to now Coordinator of the Visual Sociology Laboratory hosted at the Department of Educational Sciences, University of Genoa, Italy

### **Editorial committees**

2020 up to now Member of the Scientific Committee of the editorial series "Anomalie Urbane" DERIVEAPPRODI publisher

2016 up to now Member of the Editorial Board of AG – *International Journal of Gender Studies*

### **Publications**

#### **Books:**

1. **Benasso S.** e Benvenga L. (eds. by) (forthcoming), *Trap! Suoni, segni e soggettività nella scena italiana*, Novalogos, Rome
2. **Benasso S.**, Bouillet D., Neves T. e Parreira do Amaral M. (eds. by) (2022), *Landscapes of Lifelong Learning Policies across Europe: Comparative Case Studies*, Palgrave MacMillan, London
3. Stagi L. e **Benasso S.** (2021), *Aggiungi un selfie a tavola. Il cibo nell'era dei food porn media*, EGEA, Milan
4. **Benasso S.** e Stagi L. (2018), *Ma una madre lo sa? La responsabilità della corretta alimentazione nella società neoliberale*, Genova University Press, Genova
5. **Benasso S.** (2013), *Generazione shuffle. Traiettorie biografiche tra reversibilità e progetto*, Aracne Editrice, Rome
6. Poli S., **Benasso S.**, Capozzi C. e Vergani A. (2013), *Il mercato del lavoro tra crisi e postmodernità. L'esperienza del caso genovese*, FrancoAngeli, Milan

#### **Book chapters:**

1. **Benasso S.**, Bouillet D., Neves T. e Parreira do Amaral M. (2022), "Introduction: Exploring Landscapes of Lifelong Learning Policies across Europe", in Benasso S., Bouillet D., Neves T. e Parreira do Amaral M. (eds. by), *Landscapes of Lifelong Learning Policies across Europe: Comparative Case Studies*, Palgrave MacMillan, London, pp. 1-16
2. **Benasso S.**, Cefalo R. e Tikkanen J. (2022), "Landscapes of Lifelong Learning Policies Across Europe: Conceptual Lenses", in Benasso S., Bouillet D., Neves T. e Parreira do Amaral M. (eds. by), *Landscapes of Lifelong Learning Policies across Europe: Comparative Case Studies*, Palgrave MacMillan, London, pp. 19-39

3. Parreira do Amaral M., **Benasso S.**, Neves T. e Bouillet D. (2022), "From Cases to Stories to Lessons: Exploring Landscapes of Lifelong Learning across Europe", in Benasso S., Bouillet D., Neves T. e Parreira do Amaral M. (eds. by), *Landscapes of Lifelong Learning Policies across Europe: Comparative Case Studies*, Palgrave MacMillan, London, pp. 219-241
4. Filippi D., **Benasso S.** e Guzzetti L. (2021), "Abroad forever? Embedding spatial mobility in academic work trajectories in Italy", in Cairns D. (eds. by), *The Palgrave Handbook of Youth Mobility and Educational Migration*, Palgrave Mcmillan, Basingstoke, pp. 345-357
5. Stagi L. e **Benasso S.** (2021), "Introduzione", in Stagi L. e Benasso S., *Aggiungi un selfie a tavola. Il cibo nell'era dei food porn media*, EGEA, Milan, pp. 1-10
6. **Benasso S.** (2021), "Gastronazionalismo", in Stagi L. e Benasso S., *Aggiungi un selfie a tavola. Il cibo nell'era dei food porn media*, EGEA, Milan, pp. 75-104
7. **Benasso S.** (2021), "Quando il cibo fa politica", in Stagi L. e Benasso S., *Aggiungi un selfie a tavola. Il cibo nell'era dei food porn media*, EGEA, Milan, pp. 105-132
8. **Benasso S.** e Tusini S. (2020), "Gli approcci biografici tra soggettività e smarrimento", in M. Massari e V. Pellegrino (eds. by), *Emancipatory Social Sciences. Le questioni, il dibattito, le pratiche*, Orthotes editore, Naples-Salerno, pp. 147-157
9. **Benasso S.** e Stagi L. (2020), "Buone e cattive madri. La dieta come territorio di controllo e resistenza", in M.M. Coppola, A. Donà, B. Poggio e A. Tuselli (eds. by), *Genere e R-esistenze in Movimento*, Università degli Studi di Trento Editore, Trento, 337-348
10. Petrillo A. e **Benasso S.** (2020), "Genova Cancellata", in R. Bobbio e S.F. Musso (eds. by), *Centro Storico. Problemi e prospettive*, Genoa, ANCSA, Gubbio, pp. 151-158
11. Palumbo M., **Benasso S.** e Parreira do Amaral M. (2020), "Telling the story: exploring lifelong learning policies for young adults through a narrative approach", in M. Parreira do Amaral, S. Kovacheva e X. Rambla (eds. by), *Lifelong Learning Policies for Young Adults in Europe. Navigating between Knowledge and Economy*, Policy Press, Bristol, pp. 217-240
12. **Benasso S.** e Stagi L. (2019), "The carbonara-gate. Food porn and gastro-nationalism", in R. Sassatelli, (eds. by), *Italians and Food*, Palgrave Macmillan, London, pp. 237-267
13. **Benasso S.** e Cuzzocrea V. (2019), "Generation Z in Italy: Living in a soap bubble", in C. Scholz e A. Rennig (eds. by). *Generations Z in Europe: Inputs, Insights and Implications*, Emerald, Bingley, pp. 149-168
14. **Benasso S.** e Stagi L. (2018), "L'alimentation infantile. Une question de genre", in K. Stengel (eds. by) *La cuisine a-t-elle un «sexe»? femmes: hommes, mode d'emploi du genre en cuisine*, Éditions L'Harmattan, Paris, pp. 163-188
15. **Benasso S.** (2018), "Cuori affamati. Pratiche alimentari tra rischio e soggettivazione", in Benasso S. e Stagi L., *Ma una madre lo sa? La responsabilità della corretta alimentazione nella società neoliberale*, Genova University Press, Genoa, pp. 74-111
16. **Benasso S.** (2018), "Sorvegliare e nutrire", in Benasso S. e Stagi L., *Ma una madre lo sa? La responsabilità della corretta alimentazione nella società neoliberale*, Genova University Press, Genova, pp. 112-133

17. **Benasso S.** (2016), "Generazione shuffle: incertezza, reversibilità e capacità di aspirare", in V. Pellegrino (eds. by), *R/esistenze precarie. Lavoratori universitari e capitalismo cognitivo*, Ombre Corte, Verona, pp. 70-79
18. **Benasso S.** (2015), "Narrazioni biografiche e corsi di vita della generazione shuffle", in F. Batini e S. Giusti (eds. by), *Non studio non lavoro non guardo la tv. Quaderno di lavoro V convengo sull'orientamento narrativo*, Pensa MultiMedia Editore, Lecce, pp. 27-33
19. **Benasso S.** (2015), "I giovani e i giovani adulti che non lavorano e non studiano" in ISTAT, UnionCamere Liguria e Regione Liguria (eds. by) *Rapporto Statistico Liguria 2014*, Regione Liguria, Genova, pp. 58-60
20. **Benasso S.** (2015), "Percorsi universitari e approdi lavorativi secondo il database dell'indagine Almalaurea", in ISTAT, UnionCamere Liguria e Regione Liguria (eds. by) *Rapporto Statistico Liguria 2014*, Regione Liguria, Genoa, pp. 85-100
21. **Benasso S.** e Bartolini M. (2015), "Dramma, scempio e fama. Un percorso di ricerca circolare" in Stagi L. e Queirolo Palmas L. (eds. by), *Fare sociologia visuale. Immagini, movimenti e suoni nell'etnografia*, Professionaldreamers, Trento, pp. 67-94
22. **Benasso S.** (2013), "Come lo spiego ai miei? Biografie professionali e percorsi di vita di una generazione precaria", in Poli S., Benasso S., Capozzi C. e Vergani A., *Il mercato del lavoro tra crisi e postmodernità. L'esperienza del caso genovese*, FrancoAngeli, Milan, pp. 70-83
23. **Benasso S.** e Capozzi C. (2013), "Il mercato del lavoro in provincia di Genova secondo il Sistema Informativo regionale", in Poli S., Benasso S., Capozzi C. e Vergani A., *Il mercato del lavoro tra crisi e postmodernità. L'esperienza del caso genovese*, FrancoAngeli, Milan, pp. 142-164
24. **Benasso S.** e Poli S. (2013), "Le aziende a Genova: l'evoluzione della domanda", in Poli S., Benasso S., Capozzi C. e Vergani A., *Il mercato del lavoro tra crisi e postmodernità. L'esperienza del caso genovese*, FrancoAngeli, Milan, pp. 165-174
25. **Benasso S.** e Panariello D. (2013) "Il quartiere della Maddalena, aspetti economici e sociali" in La Spina A. (eds. by), *I costi dell'illegalità. Una ricerca sul quartiere della Maddalena a Genova*, Il Mulino, Bologna, pp. 67-116
26. **Benasso S.** e Cossetta A. (2012), "Far from the madding crowd: le aree interne del Mediterraneo come luoghi di produzione di senso. Il caso della provincia di Imperia", in *Atti della IV riunione scientifica della Società Italiana di Scienze del Turismo*, Aracne Editrice, Rome, pp. 99-120
27. **Benasso S.** e Cossetta A. (2011), "From geek to massive: le nuove forme di socializzazione in Rete", in R. Rauty (eds. by), *Il sapere dei giovani*, Aracne Editrice, Rome, pp. 269-278
28. **Benasso S.** (2011), "Corpo vestito corpo", in L. Stagi (eds. by), *Lavori in corpo. Pratiche ed estetiche di identità*, Franco Angeli, Milan, pp. 90-110
29. **Benasso S.** e Bonini E. (2009), "Gangsta style e consumi. Etnografia di un matinée", L. Queirolo Palmas (eds. by), *Dentro le gang. Giovani, migranti e nuovi spazi sociali*, Ombre Corte, Verona, pp. 68-88

30. **Benasso S.** (2008) "Percorsi paralleli. Interviste allo specchio", in R. Rauty (eds. by), *La ricerca giovane. Percorsi di analisi della condizione giovanile*, Kurumuny, Lecce, pp. 47-55
31. **Benasso S.** (2008), "La Comunità Montana Ingauna" in AA.VV., *La Nuova Assistenza - V annualità*, IRES, Rome, pp.
32. **Benasso S.** (2005), "Misure integrate per l'inclusione sociale: il Progetto Over 40 in Liguria", in C. Scaglioso (eds. by), *L'officina di Vulcano*, IRRE Toscana, Firenze, pp. 292-300

#### **Journal Articles:**

1. Stagi L., **Benasso S.** e Guzzetti L. (2022), The sovereign meal of the male leader: Matteo Salvini's food porn aesthetics, *Anthropology of Food*, 16, pp. 1-23
2. Torrigiani C., Pandolfini V., Giannoni P. e **Benasso S.** (2022), I percorsi per le competenze trasversali e per l'orientamento: quali dimensioni valutative? Uno studio esplorativo, *Rassegna Italiana di Valutazione*, 77, pp. 115-133
3. **Benasso S.** e Stagi L. (2021), Getting Inked at a Tattoo Convention: Subjectivity and Belonging within an Alternative Cultural Heterotopia, *Italian Sociological Review*, 11(3), pp. 807-831
4. **Benasso S.** e Stagi L. (2021), I am not a virus! From model minority to public enemy, the racialisation of the Chinese community in Italy through food, *Mondi Migranti*, n. 2, pp. 119-134
5. **Benasso S.**, e Pandolfini V. (2020), Discorsi emergenti nelle politiche di Lifelong Learning per i giovani adulti: riflessioni su due casi studio in Italia, *Quaderni di Sociologia*, vol. 84, n. LXIV, pp. 91-116
6. Cuzzocrea V. e **Benasso S.** (2020), Fatti strada e fatti furbo: generazione Z, musica trap e influencer, *Studi Culturali*, 3, pp. 335-356
7. **Benasso S.**, Castellani S., Cossetta A., Dittrich C. e Walther A. (2019), Transmission Belts: On how young adults in Germany and Italy make meaning of mobility in transitions to work and adulthood, *Social Work & Society*, vol. 17, n. 2, pp. 1-17
8. **Benasso S.**, Pandolfini V. e Palumbo M. (2019), Narrating Cases: a Storytelling Approach to Case Study Analysis in the Field of Lifelong Learning Policies, *Italian Journal of Sociology of Education*, vol. 11, n. 2, pp. 83-108
9. **Benasso S.**, Guzzetti L. e Stagi S. (2019), Gouvernementalité et alimentation. La culpabilité des mères vég\*, *Revue des Sciences Sociales*, n. 61, pp. 66-75
10. Magaraggia S. e **Benasso S.** (2019) In transition... Where to? Rethinking Life Stages and Intergenerational Relations of Italian Youth, *Societies*, vol. 9, pp. 1-15
11. **Benasso S.** (2018), Giovani e nuovi corsi di vita, *Cooperazione Educativa*, vol. 67, n. 3, pp. 33-38
12. **Benasso S.**, Helve E. e Merico M. (2018), Editorial. Between Cultures and Transitions: Gender Perspectives in Youth Studies, *About Gender. International Journal of Gender Studies*, vol. 7., n. 13, pp. I-XXIV

13. **Benasso S.** e Stagi L. (2018), Maternal foodwork e biopolitica dell'alimentazione infantile, *Salute e Società*, vol. 3, pp. 72-88
14. **Benasso S.** e Abbatecola E. (2016), Masculinities on Stage: Clients and Representations in the Italian Sex Market, *Masculinities: A Journal of Identity and culture*, vol. 5, pp. 79-109
15. **Benasso S.** (2015), Giardini Govi is our spot! When parkour meets Genoa, *Modern Italy*, vol. 20, n. 3, pp. 285-294
16. **Benasso S.** e Stagi L. (2015), Narrazioni mediatiche intorno al cancro, *Salute e Società*, anno XV, vol. 2, pp. 127-142
17. **Benasso S.** e Stagi L. (2013), Tracce di corpi urbani, *Lo Squaderno*, n. 27, pp. 9-12
18. **Benasso S.**, Palumbo M., e Poli S. (2011), Gli indicatori tra costruzione teorica e spendibilità empirica: un caso di studio, *Rassegna Italiana di Valutazione*, a. XV, n. 49, pp. 9-24
19. **Benasso S.**, Cortellesi G. e Villa A. (2010), Crossing Sights: migrant youth in two Italian cities, *Italian Journal of Sociology of Education*, vol. 2 n° 1, pp. 75-105
20. **Benasso S.** e Bonini E. (2008), Giovani latinos tra estetiche e consumi, *Mondi Migranti*, n. 3, FrancoAngeli, Milan, pp. 101-112

#### **Edited Journal Issues:**

1. Benasso S., Helve E. e Merico M. (2018) Between Cultures and Transitions: Gender Perspectives in Youth Studies, *About Gender. International Journal of Gender Studies*, vol. 7., n. 13

#### **Reviews:**

1. **Benasso S.** (2023), Review: Paolo Grassi, Barrio San Siro. Interpretare la violenza a Milan, *Rassegna Italiana di Sociologia*, fascicolo 2/2023, pp. 416-418
2. **Benasso S.** (2023), Review: Vulca Fidolini, Uomini e diete. Cibo, maschilità, stili di vita, *Studi Culturali*, anno XX, n. 1, pp. 129-131
3. **Benasso S.** (2017), Review: Luisa Stagi, Food Porn, *Etnografia e Ricerca Qualitativa*, Rivista quadrimestrale, n. 2, pp. 323-325

#### **Dictionary entries:**

1. Lodigiani R., **Benasso S.**, Garavaglia E. e Luise V. (2020), “Employment & Entrepreneurship”, dictionary entry in *Youth Wiki*, European Commission