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CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL

Italian citizen; US permanent resident

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2024 – present: **HSBC Research Professor**
Northwestern University, Department of Economics
- 2011 – present: **Professor**
Northwestern University, Department of Economics
- 2016 –2017: **Director**
Center for Economic Theory, Northwestern University
- 2017 –2018: **Visiting Professor**
Bocconi University, Department of Economics
- 2013 – present: **Center for Economic Policy Research** Affiliate
- 2011 – 2012: **Visiting Professor**
University of California, Berkeley
- 2008 - 2011: **Associate Professor** (with tenure)
Northwestern University, Department of Economics
- 2001 - 2008: **Assistant Professor**
Northwestern University, Department of Economics
- 2007 (fall) **Visiting Assistant Professor**
University of Chicago, Department of Economics
- 2004 (fall) **Visiting Assistant Professor**
New York University, Department of Economics
- 2000 - 2001: **Visiting Scholar**
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of Economics

EDUCATION

- 2001: **Ph.D. in Economics**, University of Toulouse, France (highest honors)
Advisor: Prof. Jean Tirole
- 1999: **Diplôme Européenne d'Economie Quantitative Approfondie**
University of Toulouse (highest honors)
- 1998: **Master of Science in Financial Markets**, University of Toulouse (distinction)
- 1997: **Master of Science in Economics**, Bocconi University (distinction)
- 1996: **Laurea in Economics**, Bocconi University
(Summa cum laude + “Dignità di stampa”)

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **Adversarial Coordination and Public Information Design**
(Supersedes: Persuasion in Global Games with Application to Stress Testing)
(with N. Inostroza), *Theoretical Economics*, forthcoming
- [2] **Price Customization and Targeting in Matching Markets**
Rand Journal of Economics, 2024, 55.2, 230-265.
(with R. Gomes)
- [3] **Wall Street and Silicon Valley: A Delicate Interaction**
Review of Economic Studies, May 2023, 90(3), 1041–1083.
(with G-M. Angeletos and G. Lorenzoni)
- [4] **Preparing for the Worst but Hoping for the Best: Robust (Bayesian) Persuasion**
Econometrica, 2022, 90(5), 2017–2051
(with P. Dworczak)
- [5] **Matching Auctions**
Rand Journal of Economics, 2022, 53(1), 32-62.
(with D. Fershtman)
- [6] **Taxation under Learning-by-Doing**
Journal of Political Economy, 2021, 129, 1878-1944
(with M. Makris)
- [7] **“Soft”Affirmative Action and Minority Recruitment**
American Economic Review: Insights, 2021, 3(1), 1-18
(with D. Fershtman)
- [8] **Information Management and Pricing in Platform Markets**
Review of Economics Studies, 2019, 86(4), 1666–1703
(with B. Jullien)
- [9] **Differential Taxation and Occupational Choice**
Review of Economic Studies, 2018, 85(1), 511–557

- (with R. Gomes and J.M. Lozachmeur)
- [10] **Pandora's Auctions: Dynamic Matching with Unknown Preferences**
American Economic Review (Papers and Proceedings), 2017, 107(5), 186-90
(with D. Fershtman)
- [11] **Dynamic Mechanism Design: Robustness and Endogenous Types**
Advances in Economics and Econometrics, 2017, Vol 1, 1-62, Cambridge University Press
- [12] **Many-to-Many Matching and Price Discrimination**
Theoretical Economics, 11, September 2016, 1005–1052
(with R. Gomes)
- [13] **Dynamic Managerial Compensation: A Variational Approach**
Journal of Economic Theory, 159, September 2015, 775-818
(with D. Garrett)
- [14] **Introduction to JET Symposium on Dynamic Contracts and Mechanism Design**
Journal of Economic Theory, 159, September 2015, 679-701
(with D. Bergemann)
- [15] **Introduction to JET Symposium on Information, Coordination, and Market Frictions**
Journal of Economic Theory, 158, July 2015, 407-426
(with X. Vives)
- [16] **Information Acquisition and Welfare**
Review of Economic Studies, Vol. 81, October 2014, 1438-1483
(with L. Colombo and G. Femminis)
- [17] **Dynamic Mechanism Design: A Myersonian Approach**
Econometrica, Vol. 82(2), March 2014 601-653
(with I. Segal and J. Toikka)
- [18] **Selection-Free Predictions in Global Games with Endogenous Information and Multiple Equilibria**
Theoretical Economics, Vol. 8(3), September 2013, 883-938
(with G-M. Angeletos)
- [19] **Managerial Turnover in a Changing World**
Journal of Political Economy, Vol. 120(5), October 2012, 879-925
(with D. Garrett)
- [20] **Truthful Revelation Mechanisms for Simultaneous Common Agency Games**
American Economic Journal: Microeconomics, 2(2), May 2010, 132-190
(with G. Calzolari)
- [21] **Policy with Dispersed Information**
Journal of the European Economic Association, Vol. 7(1), March 2009, 1-50
(with G-M. Angeletos)
- [22] **Sequential Contracting with Multiple Principals**
Journal of Economic Theory, Vol. 144(2), February 2009, 503-531
(with G. Calzolari)

- [23] **On the Use of Menus in Sequential Common Agency**
Games and Economic Behavior, Vol. 64(1), September 2008, 329-334
(with G. Calzolari)
- [24] **Efficient Use of Information and Social Value of Information**
Econometrica, Vol. 75(4), July 2007, 1103-1142
(with G-M. Angeletos)
- [25] **Dynamic Global Games of Regime Change: Learning, Multiplicity, and Timing of Attacks**
Econometrica, Vol. 75(3), May 2007, 711-756
(with G-M. Angeletos and C. Hellwig)
- [26] **Socially Optimal Coordination: Characterization and Policy Implications**
Journal of the European Economic Association, Vol. 5(3), May 2007 P&P, 585-593
(with G- M. Angeletos)
- [27] **On the Optimality of Privacy in Sequential Contracting**
Journal of Economic Theory, Vol. 130(1), September 2006, 168-204
(with G. Calzolari)
- [28] **Monopoly with Resale**
Rand Journal of Economics, Vol. 37(2), Summer 2006, 362-375
(with G. Calzolari)
- [29] **Signaling in a Global Game: Coordination and Policy Traps**
Journal of Political Economy, Vol. 114(3), June 2006, 452-485
(with G-M. Angeletos and C. Hellwig)
- [30] **Tilting the Supply Schedule to Enhance Competition in Uniform-Price Auctions**
European Economic Review, Vol. 49, January 2005, 227-250. Paper accepted when EER was the *Journal of the European Economic Association*
(with M. LiCalzi)
- [31] **Transparency of Information and Coordination in Economies with Investment Complementarities**
American Economic Review (Papers and Proceeding) Vol. 94(1), May 2004 P&P, 91-98
(with G-M. Angeletos)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- [32] **Attention, Coordination, and Bounded Recall**
(revise and resubmit, *Journal of Economic Theory*)
- [33] **Keeping the Agents in the Dark: Private Disclosures in Competing Mechanisms**
(with A. Attar, E. Campioni, and T. Mariotti)
- [34] **Exposure to the Unconventional, Mandatory Disclosure, and Contract Design**
(with J. Tirole)
- [35] **(In)efficiency in Information Acquisition and Aggregation through Prices**
(with S. Sundaresan and X. Vives)

- [36] **Searching for Arms: Experimentation with Endogenous Consideration Sets**
(with D. Fershtman)
- [37] **Knowing your Lemmon before You Dump It**
(with J. Tirole)
- [38] **Investment Subsidies with Spillovers and Endogenous Private Information**
(with L. Colombo and G. Femminis)
- [39] **Expectation Conformity in Strategic Cognition**
(with J. Tirole)
- [40] **Wedges Dynamics with Evolving Private Information**
(with M. Makris)
- [41] **Robust Predictions of Dynamic Screening**
(with D. Garrett and J. Toikka)
- [42] **Optimal Sponsored Search Design**
(with D. Fershtman)
- [43] **Robustly Optimal Procurement Contracts**
(with Debasis Mishra and Sanket Patel)

CHAPTER BOOKS

- **Two-sided Markets, Pricing, and Network Effects**
Handbook of Industrial Organization, Vol 4, 2023, 485-592
(with B. Jullien and M. Rysman)
- **Two-sided Markets and Matching Design**
Online and Matching-Based Market Design, Echenique, Immorlica and Vazirani Editors,
Cambridge University Press, forthcoming
(with R. Gomes)

HONORS, GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS

- NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, Grant SES 2315652 (2023-2025), “Private Disclosure in Competing Mechanisms: Theory and Applications”
- ECONOMETRIC SOCIETY, Fellow
- SOCIETY FOR ADVANCEMENT OF ECONOMIC THEORY, Fellow
- HONORARY PROFESSORSHIP, Peking University
- NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION Grant SES 1730483 (2017-2019)
“Coordination and Information Design”

- NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION Grant SES 1530798 (2015-2016)
“Dynamic Matching: Experimentation, and Cross Subsidization”
- NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION Grant SES 1156077 (2012-2015)
“Price Discrimination and Competition in Two-sided Markets”
- EXCELLENCE IN REFERRING AWARD, American Economic Review, 2011, 2012, 2013
- COLLEGIO CARLO ALBERTO Visiting Fellowship (2008, 2009)
- NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION Grant SES 0721048 (2007-2010)
“Economies with Dispersed Information”
- NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION Grant SES 0518810 (2005-2006)
“Social Value of Information and Coordination”
- REVIEW OF ECONOMIC STUDIES TOUR (2001)
- MIDI PYRENEES SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS scholarship, Univ. of Toulouse (1999-2000)
- DISTINCTION, Master of Science in Financial Markets, Univ. of Toulouse (1998)
- LUCIANO JONA scholarship, San Paolo-IMI Bank (1997-1999)
- DISTINCTION, Master of Science in Economics, Bocconi Univ. (1997)
- INVERNIZZI scholarship, Bocconi Univ. (1996)
- DIGNITA’ DI STAMPA (highest honor awarded), Bocconi Univ. (1996)

TEACHING

- Grad: **Advanced Topics in Economics**
Northwestern University
- Grad: **Information Economics**
Northwestern University
- Grad: **Coordination under Incomplete Information**
Northwestern University
- Grad: **Economic Theory and Methods**
Northwestern University
- Grad: **Microeconomics First-year Core PhD**
Northwestern University
- Undergrad: **Intermediate Microeconomics**
Northwestern University
- Grad: **Platforms Design**
Ryerson University
- Grad: **Information, Coordination, and Market Design**
Bocconi University University

- Grad: **Information Economics**
Universidad Carlos III Madrid, Spain
- Grad: **Advances in Information Economics**
University of California at Berkeley
- Grad: **Contracts and Mechanism Design**
University of Chicago
- Undergrad: **Principles of Microeconomics**
M.I.T.

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

- 2024 – present **Toulouse School of Economics – Research Council**
- 2023 – present **Editor, *Econometric Society Monographs***
- 2023 – present **Advisor, *Journal of Economic Theory***
- 2022 – present **Toulouse School of Economics – Scientific Council Member**
- 2022: **Toulouse School of Economics -- Department-Wide Seminar**
- 2022: **Stony Brook Game Theory Festival – Invited plenary talk**
- 2021: **CEPR Workshop on Contracts, Incentives, and Information – Invited plenary talk**
- 2013 – 2019: **Lead Editor, *Journal of Economic Theory***
- 2011 – 2017: **Foreign Editor, *Review of Economic Studies***
- 2010 – 2012: **Associate Editor, *Theoretical Economics***
- 2008 – 2012: **Associate Editor, *Journal of Economic Theory***
- 2008 – 2012: **Associate Editor, *Journal of the European Economic Association***
- **NSF Research Council Panel on Social Sciences**
- 2019: **Stevens Institute of Technology – Department-Wide Seminar**
- 2019: **University of Manchester - Department-Wide seminar**
- 2019: **Peking University - Department-Wide seminar**
- 2019: **Stony Brook Game Theory Festival – Invited plenary talk**
- 2019: **SUFE 2019 Macroeconomics Conference- Keynote Talk**
- 2018: **Ryerson University - Department-Wide seminar**
- 2017: **University of California Berkeley, Department-Wide seminar**
- 2016: **Game Theory Society World Congress – Invited semi-plenary talk**

- 2016: **Econometric Society Latin America Meetings – Semi-plenary talk**
- 2015: **University of Western Ontario – Department-Wide seminar**
- 2015: **University of Nottingham– Department-Wide seminar**
- 2015: **Econometric Society World Congress – semi-plenary talk**
- 2014: **Econometric Society Latin America Meetings – semi-plenary talk**
- 2014: **Econometric Society European Meetings – semi-plenary talk**
- 2014: **European Economic Association Meetings – J.J. Laffont lecture**
- 2013: **Asian Meetings of Econometric Society – semi-plenary talk**
- 2012: **University of California Berkeley -- Department-Wide seminar**
- 2011: **Stony Brook Game Theory Festival – keynote speaker**

- 2000 - present: **Invited seminars:** UCLA Anderson School of Business, Arizona State University, University of Arizona, Università Autonoma de Barcelona, Bank of Italy, Bocconi University, University of Bologna, University of Bonn, University of British Columbia, University of California Berkeley, University of California Davis, University of California Irvine, University of California Los Angeles, University of California San Diego, Cambridge University, Carnegie Mellon University, University Carlos III de Madrid, Catholic University of Milan, Universite' Catholique de Leuven, Cergei-EI Prague, University of Chicago, Chicago Booth, Chicago Federal Reserve Bank, University College of London, Columbia University, Columbia GSB, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Cowles Foundation Conference in Economic Theory, Cornell University, Cowles Foundation Conference on Macroeconomics, ECARES-Brussels, Ecole Polytechnique, Emory University, University of Essex, European Central Bank, European University Institute, Fondation Gatulio Vergas, Gerzensee Summer Symposium in Economic Theory, George Washington University, Harvard University, Hass School of Business, Hong Kong University, University of Hong Kong, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Indiana University, Indian Institute of Management Bangalore, Indian Statistical Institute Delhi, Iowa State University, University of Iowa, Kent-Southampton Virtual Seminar in Economic Theory, Kyoto University, London Business School, London School of Economics, University of Manchester, University of Maryland, University of Miami, MIT, University of Michigan, Michigan State University, University of Milan-Bicocca, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis Federal Reserve Bank, University of Montreal – Cirano, University of Naples Federico II, Shiv Nadar University, National University of Singapore, University of Nevada, New York University, NYU Stern, University of North Carolina, Notre Dame University, Ohio State University, Peking University, University of Pennsylvania, Princeton Conference on

Developments in Mechanism Design, Ryerson University, University of Rochester, University of Salerno, Shanghai Microeconomics Workshop, Shanghai Macroeconomics Workshop, University of Southampton, Stockholm University, University of Southern California, Stanford University, Stony Brook Festival in Economic Theory, Tel Aviv University, University of Texas-Austin, Tilburg University, University of Tokyo, Toulouse School of Economics, University of Toronto, University of Venice, Virtual Market Design Seminar, University of Washington, University of Western Ontario, Wharton Business School, University of Wisconsin at Madison, Yale University, University of Zurich.

1997 - present:

Conference presentations: 11th Italian Conference on Game Theory and Applications (Bocconi University, 1997), 1998 European Meeting of Econometric Society (University of Toulouse), Econometric Society 8th World Congress (Washington University, 2000), Euro-Conference on Auctions and Market Design (Fondazione Eni-Enrico Mattei, Milan 2002), 2002 Econometric Society North American Winter Meeting, 2002 Econometric Society North American Summer Meeting, Workshop on Coordination and Higher Order Uncertainty (University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, 2002), 2003 Econometric Society North American Summer Meetings, I Workshop on Government Policy with Incentives Problems (Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, 2003), II International Industrial Organization Conference (Chicago 2004), Society for Economic Dynamics (Florence 2004), Econometric Society 9th World Congress (London 2005), Conference in Tribute to Jean-Jacques Laffont (Toulouse, 2005), International Conference on Macro Dynamics (Bologna 2005), 2006 Econometric Society North American Winter Meetings, 2006 Econometric Society European Meetings, 2007 Econometric Society North American Winter Meetings, IESE Conference on Complementarities and Information, (Barcelona, 2007), Third CSEF-IGIER Symposium on Economics and Institutions (Capri, 2007), 2007 Stony Brook Festival in Game Theory, Toulouse School of Economics Theory Conference (2008), Fourth CSEF-IGIER Symposium on Economics and Institutions (Capri, 2008), 2008 Econometric Society European Meetings (Milan, Bocconi), 2009 Utah Economics and Business Conference, 2009 Canadian Economic Theory Conference, 2009 Society of Economic Dynamics (Istanbul), 2009 Econometric Society European Meetings (Barcelona), 2010 Econometric Society Winter Meetings (Atlanta), 2010 Econometric Society World Congress (Shanghai), 2010 Workshop on Macroeconomic Dynamics (Ente Einaudi), 2011 Winter Meeting of Econometric Society, 7th CSEF-IGIER Symposium on Economics and Institutions (Capri, 2011), 2012 EEA-ESEM (Malaga), 2013 Econometric Society Asian Meetings (Singapore), 2013 Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics, Second Conference on Rational Inattention: Theory and Applications (Oxford, 2014), Econometric Society North American Meetings (Boston, 2015), 2015 Conference in

honor of Jean Tirole Nobel Award, University of Leicester, 2016 Warwick Economic Theory Conference, 2016 Winter Meetings of Econometric Society, 2016, AMES Conference on Global Games, 2016 Lacea-Lames Meetings, 2016 Workshop on Advances in Mechanism Design, NYU Abu Dhabi, 2016 Winter Symposium in Economics and Finance (Milan), 2017 North-American Meetings of the Econometric Society, 2017 Microsoft Research Conference on Matching with Preferences, European Central Bank, 2017 University of Chicago-BFI Conference on Economic Theory, 2017 Warwick Conference on Economic Theory, 2017 CEPR-Gertzensee Conference on Economic Theory, 2017 Alghero Conference on Economic Theory, 2017 Royal Economic Society York Conference on Economic Theory, 2017 Cowles Conference on Macroeconomics, 2017 NYU Stern Conference on Uncertainty and Higher-Order Beliefs, Banco De Portugal, 2017 Conference on Reasoning About Strategic Interaction and Emotions, 2017 Workshop on Economics of Platform, 2018 EIEF 3rd Conference on Economics of Platforms, 2018 Restud Tour 30th Anniversary Conference, 2018 Cambridge INET Economic Theory Workshop, 2018 Annual Taxation Theory Conference, 2018 Chilean Workshop on Industrial Organization and Economic Theory, 2018 Transatlantic Theory Conference, 2019 Shanghai Macroeconomics Conference, 30th Stony Brook Game Theory Conference, 2019 Warwick Economic Theory Conference, 2021 Bristol-City-Kent-Southampton Theory Conference, 2020 World Congress of Econometric Society, 2021 American Economic Association Winter Meetings, 2021 Econometric Society Winter Meetings, 2021 Macroeconomic Dynamics Conference (Milan), 2022 ASSA Meetings, 2022 Utah Winter Business and Economics Conference, 2022 SAET, 2022 NUS Conference on Advances in Mechanism Design, 2023 Rational Inattention Conference, University of Chicago, 2024 ASSA meetings.

- 2024 **Program Committee**, Econometric Society World Congress
- 2023 **Program Committee**, Berkeley-Columbia-Duke-MIT-Northwestern IO Theory Conference
- 2021 – 2024: **Planning Committee**, Northwestern University
- 2018 - present: **Placement Director**, Northwestern University
- 2024: **Program Chair**: Econometric Society North American Winter Meetings
- 2016: **Co-Organizer**: Cowles Conference on Information Choice: Perception and Design, Yale Univ.
- 2015: **Co-organizer**: Nemmers Conference in honor of Jean Tirole
- 2014: **Organizer**: Review of Economic Studies Tour
- 2014: **Co-Organizer**: Barcelona Workshop on Information, Competition, and Market Frictions (second edition)

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- 2013: **Co-Organizer:** Cowles Conference on Dynamic Mechanism Design, Yale Univ.
- 2013: **Co-Organizer:** Barcelona Workshop on Information, Competition, and Market Frictions
- 2012: **Co-Chair:** Econometric Society North American Summer Meetings
- 2010: **Program Committee:** Econometric Society World Congress
- 2010 - present: **Organizer:** CSIO-IDEI Conference in Industrial Organization
- 2009: **Program Committee:** Econometric Society European Meetings
- 2008: **Program Committee:** Society of Economics Dynamics (Cambridge, MA)
- 2008: **Co-organizer:** Conference on Dynamic Mechanism Design (Northwestern University)
- 2007: **Co-organizer:** 2007 Stony Brook Workshop on Global Games
- 2006: **Program Committee:** Econometric Society European Meetings
- 2004 **Program Committee:** Econometric Society European Meetings
- 2001 - present: **Discussant:** 2002 Econometric Society North American Winter Meeting, CSIO-IDEI Conference (2002, 2004), Duke-Northwestern-Texas Industrial Organization Conference (2003), II International Industrial Organization Conference (2004), 2006 Econometric Society North American Winter Meetings, 2007 Stony Brook Workshop on Global Games, 2010 Northwestern-FTC Microeconomics Conference, NYU-Stern Conference on Informational Frictions in Macroeconomics and Finance (2010), 2011 Winter Meeting of Econometric Society, 2011 IDEI-CSIO Conference, 2021 ASSA Meetings, 2022 ASSA Meetings, 19th Berkeley, Columbia, Duke, MIT, Northwestern Theoretical IO conference (Columbia University, 2022).
- 2000 - present: **Referee activity:** American Economic Review, American Economic Journal: Microeconomics, American Political Science Review, Econometrica, Economic Theory, BE Journals in Economic Theory, Economic Bulletin, Economic Inquiry, Games and Economic Behavior, International Economic Review, Journal of Economic Theory, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Economics and Management Strategy, Journal of Economic Literature, Journal of Monetary Economics, NSF Panel for Social Sciences, European Research Council Panel for Social Sciences, Rand Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Design, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Finance, Theoretical Economics.
- 1998: Summer School in “**Economic Theory of Auctions and Mechanism Design**”, Center for Rationality, Hebrew University, Jerusalem

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- 1996-97: **Post-graduate research** on auction mechanisms, Centro di Economia Monetaria e Finanziaria "Paolo Baffi", Bocconi University.

- 2001 – present **Ph.D Advisor** for: Cassiano Breno Machado Alves, Andrei Barbos, Matias Bayas-Erazo, Maria Betto, Matteo Camboni, Henrique Castro Pires, Briana Chang, Jose Higuera Corona, Andrea Di Giovan Paolo, Laura Doval, Theo Durandard, Omar Farooque, Daniel Fershtman, Nina Fluegel, Loren Fryxell, Simone Galperti, Daniel Garrett, Maria Goltsman, Renato Gomes, Toomas Hinnosaar, Nicolas Inostroza, Nenad Kos, Panagiotis Kyriazis, Rene' Leal-Vizcaino, Yijun Liu, Siddarth Madhav, Sorin Maruster, Riccardo Masolo, Jeffrey Mensch, Guido Menzio, Jonas Mishara-Blomberger, Arijit Mukherjee, Manuel Muller-Frank, Kota Murayama, Abdou Ndiaye, Toan Phan, Kym Pram, Ludvig Sinander, Kane Sweeney, Bela Szabadi, Yunus Topbas, Quitze' Valenzuela-Stookey, Boli Xu, Tomer Yehoshua-Sandak, Luis Vasconcelos, Gabriel Ziegler.