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PLACE OF BIRTH: Potenza, Italy

NATIONALITY: Italian

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LANGUAGES:	Writing	Speaking	Reading	Understanding
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Italian (Mother tongue)				
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English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
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EDUCATION: **Diploma di Laurea (M.Sc. Degree), Forestry,**
Università degli Studi di Firenze (December 1984)
- Major area: Forestry
- Minor area: Economics

Dottorato di Ricerca, (Ph.D. Degree), Forest Economics,

Università degli Studi di Firenze (July 1988)

- Major area: Natural Resource Economics

- Minor area: Project Evaluation

- Minor area: Quantitative Methods

- Dissertation title:

*The Economic Evaluation of Environmental Benefits:
The Case of Outdoor Recreation*

FIELDS OF Agricultural Development Economics and Policy

PROFESSIONAL Food Economics and Policy

INTEREST: Natural Resource Economics and Policy

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

2020-ongoing	Director, PhD Program in “Development Economics and Local Systems - DELoS”, University of Florence (Italy)
2014-2016	Director, PhD Program in “Development Economics and Local Systems - DELoS”, University of Trento and University of Florence (Italy)
2011-2013	Director, PhD Program in “Economics”, University of Florence (Italy)
2010	Director, PhD Program in “Economics of Development”, University of Florence (Italy)
2003-today	Professor of “Agriculture, Development and Poverty”, University of Florence (Italy)
1999-today	Professor of “Agriculture in Economic Development”, University of Florence (Italy)
2002-2005	Director, Master Program in “Food Quality and Welfare”, University of Florence (Italy)
1998-1999	Professeur Visiteur, Centre de Recherche en Économie du Développement (CRED), Faculté des Sciences Économiques et Sociales, Facultés Universitaires Notre Dame de la Paix, Namur (Belgium) (on leave from the University of Florence for sabbatical)
1997	Visiting Scholar, Food Research Institute, Stanford University, Stanford, CA (USA)
1994-1999	Associate Professor of “Agriculture in Economic Development”, University of Florence (Italy)

1993	Visiting Scholar, Food Research Institute, Stanford University, Stanford, CA (USA)
1992-1998	Associate Professor of “Agricultural and Forestry Economics in Tropical Countries”, University of Florence (Italy)
1990-1992	Research Fellow, Department of Economics, College of Agriculture, University of Tuscia, Viterbo (Italy)
1988-1989	Visiting Professor of “Forestry Economics and Policy”, University of Basilicata, Potenza (Italy)
1985-1988	Research Associate, Department of Agricultural and Forestry Economics, University of Florence (Italy)
1984-1985	Instructor and Research Assistant, Department of Agricultural and Forestry Economics, University of Florence (Italy)

COURSES TAUGHT (GRADUATE LEVEL):

1. Quantitative Analysis of Development Policies (University of Florence, Italy)	2005-today
2. Development Microeconomics (University of Florence, Italy)	2003-today
3. The Economic Theory of Agrarian Contracts (University of Florence, Italy)	2001-today
4. Welfare Economics and Cost Benefit Analysis (University of Florence, Parthenope University at Naples, Italy)	1995-2000
5. International Economics (CIHEAM, IAM Bari, Italy)	2000
6. Evaluation of Irrigation Projects: Theories and Methodologies (CIHEAM, IAM Bari, Italy)	1999
7. Credit and Agricultural Development (University of Florence, Italy)	1996
8. Environmental Impacts of Agro-Forest Projects (National University of Chile, Santiago de Chile)	1996
9. Incomplete markets with applications to trade and development (University of Florence, Italy, in collaboration with Prof. Pan A. Yotopoulos, Food Research Institute, Stanford University)	1995
10. Economic Evaluation of Environmental Benefits (University of Florence, University of Naples, Italy)	1992-1994

SCHOLARSHIPS:

- 1999 Italian National Research Council (CNR) call n. 217.31: "Rural Endogenous Development: A Strategy for the Post-EMU European Agriculture"
- 1998 Rockefeller Foundation Study and Center Grant - Bellagio: "Rural Endogenous Development: A Strategy for the Post-EMU European Agriculture"
- 1998 Italian National Research Council (CNR) Short-Term Mobility call n. 6/98 (25.3.1998): "Institutions, economy and the environment: the role of local community in natural resource management"
- 1993 Italian National Research Council (CNR) call n. 203.06.49: "Macro-micro linkages in agricultural policy"

SERVICE:

a) management/organizational service:

- Member of the Board of the European Association of Agricultural Economists (EAAE), 2021-ongoing
- Vice-President of the Italian Economic Association (SIE), 2019-2022
- Member of the Board of the Italian Economic Association (SIE), 2016-2019
- Member of the Board of the Italian Association of Agricultural and Applied Economists (AIEAA), 2014-2016
- President of the Italian Association of Agricultural and Applied Economists (AIEAA), 2012-2014
- Member of the Board of the Overseas Agriculture Institute (IAO), Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 2007-2009
- Member of the Board of the Italian Society of Agricultural Economists (SIDEA), 2007-2010
- Member of the Program Committee of the XI Congress of the European Association of Agricultural Economists (EAAE), Copenhagen, 2004-05
- Director of the International Center for Documentation on Parks (CEDIP) – Province of Florence, 1998-2001
- Member of the Executive Committee of the ICA (Interuniversity Conference for Agriculture and Related Sciences in Europe), 1996-2000
- Member of the Audit Committee of the CESET (Center for Economic and Regional Studies), 1993-2002

b) scientific service:

- Associate Editor of *Bio-based and Applied Economics*, 2020-ongoing
- Member of the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Agriculture and Environment for International Development*, 2016-2021
- Member of the Scientific Committee of *Quarterly Journal of International Agriculture*, 2004-2014
- Director and Chairman of the Editorial Board of the *Rivista di Politica Agricola Internazionale*, 2001-2008
- Member of the Scientific Committee of *Genio Rurale*, 1996-2004
- Member of the Editorial Board of *L'Italia Forestale e Montana*, 1993-2002

- Member of the Editorial Board of *Aestimum*, 1998-2009

c) academic service:

- Member of the Peer review international panel for the assessment of the Ph.D. programs of the Wageningen School of Social Sciences (WASS) Graduate School, 2015
- Member of Ph.D. advisory committees, 1996-ongoing
- Member of the departmental graduate advisory committee, 1993-ongoing
- Advisor for undergraduate and graduate majors, 1993-ongoing
- Secretary of the Tropical Agriculture Faculty at the University of Florence, 1993-96

MEMBER OF THE FOLLOWING SCIENTIFIC ASSOCIATIONS:

- Società Italiana degli Economisti, SIE (2013)
- Associazione Italiana di Economia Agraria e Applicata, AIEAA (2012)
- Accademia dei Georgofili (2006)
- European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, EAERE (1998)
- Accademia Italiana di Scienze Forestali (1998)
- American Association of Agricultural Economists, AAAE (1995)
- American Economic Association, AEA (1995)
- Centro Studi di Estimo e di Economia Territoriale, CESET (1990)
- International Association of Agricultural Economists, IAAE (1988)
- European Association of Agricultural Economists, EAAE (1988)
- Società Italiana di Economia Agraria, SIDEA (1988)

REFeree FOR THE FOLLOWING JOURNALS:

- *Agribusiness*
- *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*
- *Bio-based and Applied Economics*
- *Economic Notes*
- *European Review of Agricultural Economics*
- *Food Policy*
- *Food Quality and Preferences*
- *Italian Economic Journal*
- *Journal of Development Studies*
- *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*
- *Journal of Institutional Economics*
- *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics*
- *World Development*
- *Aestimum*
- *Agriregionieuropa*
- *Genio rurale*
- *L'Italia Forestale e Montana*
- *QA - La Questione Agraria*
- *Rivista di economia agraria*
- *Rivista di Politica Agricola Internazionale*

- *Studi di economia e di diritto*

ADVISING FOR PUBLIC BODIES:

- D.G. Agriculture, European Commission
- D.G. Research, European Commission
- Instituto Nacional de Desarrollo Agropecuario (INDAP), Santiago, Chile
- National Agricultural Policy Center, Damascus, Syria
- Italian Ministry of Scientific Research
- Italian Ministry of Agriculture
- Department of Agriculture, Tuscany Region
- Department of Agriculture, Basilicata Region

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH PROJECTS:

1. GLOBAL CHANGE AND ECOSYSTEMS Integrated Project on “SENSOR - Sustainable Impact Assessment: Tools for Environmental, Social and Economic Effects of Multifunctional Land Use in European Regions” Sixth EU Framework Programme Priority 1.1.6.3 (Contract n. 003874-2): Contractor
2. QUALITY OF LIFE Research Project on “TRUST - Food Risk Communication and Consumers’ Trust in the Food Supply Chain” (Contract n° QLRT-2002-02343): Co-ordinator;
3. QUALITY OF LIFE Research Project on “HACCP - Exploring Costs and Benefits of HACCP: A pilot study in the dairy and meat products industry in the European Union” (Contract n. QLAM-2001-00164): Contractor;
4. INCO-DC Research Project on “Trade and Environment: Policy Research Needs (with Emphasis on Agriculture)” (Contract n. ICA4-CT-2000-50003): Co-ordinator;
5. INCO-DC Concerted Action on “Agriculture and Urbanisation in the Mediterranean Region: Enabling Policies for Sustainable Use of Soil and Water” (Contract n. IC18-CT98-0268): Steering Committee Member;
6. ALTENER Project “Market Development for Refined Biomass” (Contract n. 4.1030/Z/98-322): Contractor.

INTERNATIONAL CONSULTANCIES:

1. FAO-SYR, TCP/SYR/3901/C1 - Agrifood Systems Policy and strategic planning (2024-2025);
2. FAO-GCP, GCP/013/UAE/AFS – Master Plan for Sustainable Agriculture in the Abu Dhabi Emirate (2023);
3. FAO-EU Programme Food and Nutrition Security Impact, Resilience, Sustainability and Transformation (FIRST), FAO WBGS Office, GCP/INT/244/EC: Formulation of the MAP-II Prodoc and West Bank Gaza Strip FAO Country Programming Framework (CPF) 2023-2025 (2022);
4. FAO-EU Programme Food and Nutrition Security Impact, Resilience, Sustainability and Transformation (FIRST), FAO WBGS Office, GCP/INT/244/EC: Analysis and design of a new Food and Nutrition Security governance for Palestine (2021);
5. FAO-LEB, TCP/LEB/3705/C3: Support to the Ministry of Agriculture in preparing an

- Agriculture Sector Review for Lebanon (2020-2021);
6. FAO-LEB, TCP/LEB/3702/C2: Lebanon National Agriculture Strategy 2021-2025 formulation (2019-2020);
 7. FAO-EGY: Review of the Arab Republic of Egypt Sustainable Agricultural Development Strategy 2030 (2018-2019);
 8. FAO-EU Programme Food and Nutrition Security Impact, Resilience, Sustainability and Transformation (FIRST), FAO WBGs Office: Palestine Food and Nutrition Security Policy 2018-2030 formulation (2018);
 9. FAO WBGs Office: West Bank Gaza Strip FAO Country Programming Framework 2018-2022 (2016-2017);
 10. WFP Research on “Socio-Economic and Food Security (SEFSec) Report 2014 for Palestine” (2015-2016);
 11. FAO UTF/OMA/011/OMA, Sultanate of Oman Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development Strategy formulation (2015-2016);
 12. FAO GCP/RAB/011/UAE, United Arab Emirate National Agricultural Policy formulation (2015);
 13. FAO Resilience Analysis Unit (RAU), Nairobi, Kenya, “Scientific Advisor of Resilience Analysis Unit (RAU)” (2014);
 14. WFP-FAO Technical Working Group (TWG) Food and Nutrition Security Resilience Measurement (2013-2014);
 15. FAO Project GCP/BGD/034/MUL “National Food Policy Capacity Strengthening Programme”, Bangladesh (2006, 2008-2010, and 2011-2014);
 16. FAO Project GCP/SYR/006/ITA – Phase III “Sustainable Capacity Consolidation of the National Agricultural Policy Center”, Arab Republic of Syria (2005-2009);
 17. FAO Consultancy ESAFD-TFEU110004551 “Operationalizing the Concept of Food System Resilience” (2004-2009);
 18. FAO Project GCP/SYR/006/ITA Phase II – “Assistance in Capacity Building Through Enhancing Operation of the National Agricultural Policy Center”, Arab Republic of Syria (2002-2004);
 19. EU Commission Project Technical Assistance PTA-FP5, lot 15 - Sustainable Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, and Integrated Development of Rural Areas - Contract QLK5-CT2002-91501 (2002-2004);
 20. EU Commission Project Technical Assistance PTA-FP5, lot 431 - Development Policy - Contract ICA4/PTA-FP5/431/2001/00001 (2002-2004);
 21. FAO Project GCP/SYR/006/ITA – “Assistance in Institutional Strengthening and Agricultural Policy”, Arab Republic of Syria (2000-2001).