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## List of All Max Weber Fellows

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## **Max Weber Fellows Biosketches**

**Department of Economics**

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Mentor: Andrea Mattozzi

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My main field of research is Political Economy—theory and empirics. In particular, I am interested in understanding how formal and informal institutions shape economic and political outcomes.

For example, in the first chapter of my dissertation I explain how different candidate selection mechanisms (i.e. open vs. closed primaries) affect the type of elected politician, and thus the policies implemented. In the remaining chapters, I build a theoretical model that explains the optimal vote and turnout buying

strategies (clientelism) by an incumbent, and I test its empirical implications with data from Argentina.

My other related fields of interest are development economics, industrial organization, and applied game theory.

I expect to obtain my Ph.D. in Economics from Northwestern University during the summer of 2011, under the supervision of David Austen-Smith. Before that, I studied at the Universidad de San Andrés, in Argentina.

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After graduating from Sciences-Po Paris and the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS) in 2006, I became a Ph.D. student in the newly-born Paris School of Economics (PSE) under the supervision of Jean-Olivier Hairault. At the same time, I was working as a teaching assistant in Macroeconomics at Université Paris 2.

My research interests lie in a broad spectrum within applied economics, ranging from labour economics to behavioural economics, with a focus on retirement issues and economics of well-being.

My Ph.D. dissertation *Essays in empirical microeconomics on the retirement decision*, which I expect to complete by summer 2011, is made up of four working papers. The first one examines the social security claiming decision of the unemployed in the United States, and

links their early claiming behaviour to their need to finance consumption during a costly job search process.

The remainder of my Ph.D. thesis focuses on the subjective determinants of retirement. I was particularly interested in the transition ‘from dream to reality’, i.e. in the conditions leading workers to make their transition to retirement once they had expressed the wish to retire as soon as possible.

Jointly with Andrew E. Clark, I have worked on the value that workers assign to different kinds of jobs by comparing the well-being of the same individual when they are in work to when they are retired. More recently, we have been investigating the heterogeneity in individuals’ valuations of income, and the role of the marginal utility of income in predicting retirement.

Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers  
Macroeconomics



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I am a quantitative macroeconomist and I am interested in the quantitative evaluation of public policies. My primary fields of interest are family economics and labour economics.

I expect to receive my Ph.D. under the supervision of Prof. Nezhir Guner from the University of Carlos III Madrid in the summer of 2011. I received an M.Sc. in Economics from University College London after obtaining my B.Sc. in Economics and Econometrics from the University of Southampton, UK.

My dissertation focuses on household and family decisions and how these decisions are shaped by public policy within dynamic general equilibrium models. In one of my papers I analyze how public policies can help families reconcile work and family life.

During my Ph.D. I was a teaching assistant for several undergraduate courses, where I have taught mainly courses on macroeconomics.

**Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers**  
Macroeconomics, Family Economics and Labour Economics

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Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow, I am a Ph.D. student at the University of Essex. There I am completing my doctoral dissertation *Essays on the Economics of Health and Education*, and expect to complete it in June 2011. I also have an M.Sc. from the University of Essex, and I completed my B.A. at the University of Sussex.

My research interests include the economics of health, education and applied econometrics. In addition I am interested in field experiments and behavioural economics. I have a couple of papers related to the school lunch programme in the UK, one of which is forthcoming

in the *Journal of Health Economics*, and another related to child health and teen pregnancy.

I am currently involved in a large scale randomised field experiment (jointly with Michele Belot and Patrick Nolen) aiming at involving 10-20 local education authorities in different regions across England; within each area we will involve around 5 schools, and within each school approximately 50 children. Specifically, we will be rewarding for consuming fruit and vegetables, and we will test two different mechanisms, a piece-rate scheme and one based on competition. The field-work for this is on-going.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Labour, Health and Behavioural Economics, and Applied Econometrics



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I obtained my Ph.D. in Economics from North Carolina State University in December 2010. Professor John Seater supervised my doctoral dissertation, and I also worked closely with my dissertation committee member Professor Pietro Peretto of Duke University.

My research interests are international economics, growth theory, and development economics.

My dissertation titled *Dynamic Comparative Advantage and Trade under Schumpeterian Growth* focuses on a global view of economic growth and its policy implications. I have three papers out of the dissertation, which can be downloaded from my website: 'Cross Industry TFP Growth Differences with Asymmetric Industries and Endogenous Market Structure', 'The Dance of the Dynamics: The Always Interesting and Sometimes Surprising Interplay of Trade and Growth'

(with John Seater), 'Taxes, Tariffs, Trade and Growth with Endogenous Market Structure'. I have presented my research at conferences in the United States, Europe and Asia.

My current work studies labour income inequality, directed technical change, the dynamics of world income distribution, and the role of informative middleman services in economic growth. I would like to extend the growth model to examine other issues such as institutions and growth, unified growth theory (economic history), and the effect of growth on social structures.

I have four years of experience in teaching Principles of Economics, and one year in M.A.-level International Trade. I personally believe that an economics instructor should help students develop a thoughtful and inquiring approach to life. A solid understanding of basic economic issues is important for the citizens of any society.

**Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers**

Principles of Economics, International Trade

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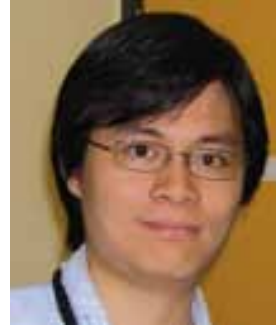
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Mentor: Elena Carletti

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My research interests are in Industrial Organization, Contract Theory and Health Economics. In my dissertation, I studied the optimal design of public reporting and regulatory policies in health care markets and other markets that are cursed by information asymmetry.

I obtained my Ph.D. in Economics from Boston University in 2011. My doctoral

thesis was supervised by Professors Ching-to Albert Ma, Jacob Glazer, and Sambuddha Ghosh. Prior to my doctoral studies, I received my B.A in Economics and Finance from the University of Hong Kong.

I served as a Teaching Assistant at both Boston University and the University of Hong Kong. I have taught various Microeconomics and Finance courses.

**Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers**  
Industrial Organization, Contract Theory, Health Economics



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My research interests lie within game theory and my main focus to date has been on models of interaction in networks and their applications. Although I am an economist by training, my research has benefited significantly from the insights of other social sciences, especially sociology and psychology, and I wish to preserve and enhance this interdisciplinary perspective.

I will receive a Ph.D. in Economics from Stanford University in June 2011; my thesis supervisors are Matthew Jackson, Muriel Niederle and Giacomo De Giorgi.

I hold a B.Sc. (Mathematics and Economics) from the LSE and an M.Sc. in Mathematics and the Foundations of Computer Science from Oxford University.

I was born and have lived most of my life in Bogotá, Colombia and, geographically speaking, I identify most with the northern Andes high plateaus.

**Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers**  
Social Networks and Applied Game Theory

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Mentor: Piero Gottardi



Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow I was a graduate student in the Department of Economics at the University of California Los Angeles. There I completed my doctoral dissertation, *Essays on Banking Regulation, Capital Flows, and Monetary Policy Coordination*, under the guidance of Christian Hellwig. I was a teaching assistant holding discussion sessions in microeconomics (undergraduate) and macroeconomics (undergraduate and graduate). I also taught two summer courses in intermediate macroeconomics.

I graduated from the University of Southampton (UK) with an M.Sc. in Economics and Econometrics, and earned a Pre-Diploma in Business Administration from the Goethe University in Frankfurt (Germany).

My research interests are in the area of macroeconomics and corporate finance.

To date, my research has focused specifically on the regulation of financial intermediaries.

In particular, I am interested in how far the behaviour of financial intermediaries contributes to making financial crises more severe via a pecuniary externality in the market for loans to firms.

I am also interested in how monetary policy is coordinated across countries in an effort to reconcile domestic and international reputation-building of central banks. My third point of focus in the field of macroeconomics concerns the interaction of international capital flows with the (uninsured) income risk they create in developing countries. In the field of corporate finance I am interested in how an executive's role in communicating with stock market participants affects executive compensation and firm performance over time.

Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Microeconomics, Macroeconomics



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My research falls in the intersection of macroeconomics and public finance. I am primarily interested in optimal redistributive policy, and in how social redistribution is influenced by the characteristics of the environment within which a government operates. How politically stable an environment is or whether or not a well-functioning market economy exists, for instance, may have a major impact on a government's ability to implement redistribution. Moreover, I am interested in public policies that emerge in unions of countries like the EU.

Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow, I was a graduate student at the Department of Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

There I worked on my doctoral dissertation on *Optimal Policy and the Coexistence of Markets and Governments* under the supervision of Daron Acemoglu and Ivan Werning. I expect to complete my Ph.D. in the summer of 2011. I have also been involved in teaching Statistical Methods and advising term papers on Economic Growth.

I hold an M.A. degree in Economics and Management Sciences from Humboldt University Berlin.

Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers  
Statistical Methods

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My research deals with structural factor analysis and VARMA modelling. The main applications are in macroeconomics: measuring the effects of monetary policy shock and of credit shock, and forecasting macroeconomic aggregates. Finally, I work on a new approach to test for the presence of, and estimate the low dimension common sources of time variation in the parameters of structural and reduced-form models.

I will receive a Ph.D. in Economics from the Université de Montréal in summer 2011. My dissertation, *Factor models, VARMA processes and parameter insta-*

*bility with applications in macroeconomics* is supervised by Jean-Marie Dufour and Jean Boivin.

Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow I was visiting the Economics Department at the University of Pennsylvania.

Research interests: Econometrics, Macroeconomics.

Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers  
Econometrics, Macroeconomics



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My fields of research are applied micro-economic theory and political economy (a.k.a. formal theory). While my degree is in economics, my research and expertise lie at the intersection of political science and economics.

My dissertation work develops a theoretical approach to analyse the relationship between voter turnout and the political positions chosen by electoral candidates, and uses this approach to study the impact of measures to encourage voting on political outcomes. Currently, I am working on a project that explores the interaction between policy setting at

national and supranational levels (such as the EU). I am also working with colleagues to develop a behavioural theory/experimental approach to study institutional corruption.

I expect to receive my Ph.D. in economics from Duke University during the summer of 2011; my dissertation supervisors are Rachel Kranton and Michael Munger. I received my B.A. in Economics, Mathematics and Political Science from the University of Oregon. While I was born in the US, I hold citizenships in the US and Sweden and consider both countries home.

**Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers**  
Political Economy, Applied Economic Theory, Game Theory

**Max Weber Fellows Biosketches**

**Department of History and Civilization**

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My research focuses on cultural, religious and scientific exchange between Europeans and Southeast Asians in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries.

My Ph.D. thesis, *Conflict and Conversion on the Catholic missions of Southeast Asia in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries* (Cambridge University, 2010) explored early modern Catholic evangelism in (what are now) Vietnam, Thailand and Malaysia. I examined the activities of five Catholic religious orders, and analysed the evolution of missionary methodologies and local responses in these three very different regions.

In 2008-2010 I was a Research Fellow at Jesus College, Cambridge, where I used my fellowship to develop my Ph.D. thesis into a monograph. I under-

took further research in archives in Goa and Manila and sought to delve deeper into the hidden world of lay Catholicism in Southeast Asia.

My research project at the EUI will build on one area that emerged in the course of my previous research. Tentatively titled 'Spiritual healing and medical exchange in Southeast Asia, 1500-1770', it will consider the roles of medical knowledge and resources, and of religious concepts of health and wellbeing, in early modern intercultural encounters.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Early Modern European Religious History,  
European Travel and Exploration, especially exchanges between Europe and Asia,  
Early Modern European History (c.1450-1760),  
European Colonialism and 'Global' History, and Historical Methodology

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Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow, I was a graduate student in the History Department at New York University, where I completed my doctoral dissertation, titled *Fueling the Cold War: Oil, Economic Development, and Mass Consumption in Postwar Italy and the Mediterranean, 1945-1969*, under the guidance of Professor Mary Nolan.

My research interests revolve around the history of transatlantic relations during the Cold War and, in particular, on the importance of oil in shaping relations between North Africa, Western Europe

and the United States after the Second World War and in the context of decolonisation. My dissertation analysed Italy's domestic and international oil politics between the end of the Second World War and the late 1960s, through a study of the Italian State-owned oil company Ente Nazionale Idrocarburi - ENI (National Hydrocarbon Agency).

During my stay at the EUI, I intend to revise my dissertation for publication. Furthermore, I plan to start working on a new project concerning international oil politics in Libya between the second half of the 1940s and the late 1970s.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

The History of Post-World War II Europe, Transatlantic Relations, the Cold War, Decolonisation, Consumer Culture, the History of Women and Gender



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Prior to becoming a Max Weber Fellow I was a graduate student at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, where I completed my dissertation titled *Becoming Mixed: The Mixed Marriages of Bosnia-Herzegovina and the Creation of Ethnic Difference*, under the mentorship of Professor Maria Todorova.

In my dissertation I explore how the interwar Islamic elites imagined a national identity and I argue that ordinary Bosnians reacted to the imposition of such identity with ambivalence, indifference and hostility. I also argue that the Yugoslav Communist regime retreated from politicizing mixed marriage, a policy that was at odds with the emergence of Yugoslav national identity in the everyday life of mixed marriages. I claim that

this failure of imagination on the part of the Communist regime made it that much easier for nationalists to stigmatize mixed marriage during the break-up of Yugoslavia in the 1990s.

I graduated *summa cum laude* from Bellarmine University (Louisville, KY) with a B.A. in History. As an undergraduate I also spent a semester as a visiting student at Oxford University and a summer at Cambridge University in England.

My research interests include the role of religion in the emergence of nations, the interaction of non-elites with national identity, the phenomenon of post-socialist nostalgia, and the use of autobiography in the study of history.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

History of Modern Europe, Global History, Transnational History of Violence, Autobiographical Approaches to History, and Methodology of Microhistory

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Mentor: Youssef Cassis

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Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow in September 2011, I was a graduate student in the Department of Economic History at the London School of Economics. There I completed my doctoral dissertation, *The Dutch cooperative banking sector in crisis, 1919-1927*, under the supervision of Gerben Bakker and Max-Stephan Schulze. For the past year I have been teaching graduate-level contemporary business history with Leslie Hannah.

I graduated from the University of Bristol with a B.Sc. in Economics, and earned an M.Sc. in Economic History with distinction and a research prize from the London School of Economics. I have been a visiting student at Universitat Pompeu Fabra and Universiteit Utrecht.

My research interests lie in the fields of economic and financial history, money and banking, applied industrial organisation, and historical geographic information systems. To date, my research has focused on the relationship between the industrial and business organisation of banks and their stability during severe financial shocks.

A new research project that I hope to work on during my time at the EUI will be on patents and innovation. The Netherlands abolished its patent system in 1869 and only reintroduced it in 1912. This period of Dutch history offers a unique natural experiment with which to explore the processes, direction and importance of invention without intellectual property rights.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Financial Crises; Banks, Firm Organisation and Market Structure,  
Financial Markets in Interwar Europe, Micro-Business History,  
Processes and Incentives for Innovation and Invention,  
Intellectual Property Rights, Cooperative Enterprises, Economics of Religion



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By shifting the attention paid to colonial writings to their materiality and global circulation, my research aims to bring together the history of written culture and imperial history in early modern times. *Les voyages du récit. Culture écrite et expansion européenne à l'époque moderne*, my Ph.D. dissertation defended in July 2010 at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, focuses on the Dutch East India Company (VOC), chartered in 1602, and its different uses of the written word, particularly in the Cape of Good Hope colony.

Since 2007, I have been affiliated with the University of Cape Town, South Africa, where I taught and conducted doctoral and post-doctoral research before joining the

EUI. Between 2007 and 2010, I also taught Latin American history at Sciences-Po Paris (Poitiers campus) and a cultural history of European early modern empires.

I recently published *Written Culture in a Colonial Context, 1500–1900, Africa and the Americas* (Cape Town/Leiden: UCT Press/Brill, 2011), a collective book which examines how much the control over the materiality of writing has shaped the numerous processes of cultural exchange between continents from the 16th century onwards and the extent to which colonial, commercial and evangelistic organizations have played a part in the transformations of the relations to the written word since the beginnings of modernity.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Early Modern History, History of European Expansion,  
Dutch Overseas History, African and South American Colonial History,  
History of Written Culture

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My research focuses on the politics of historical preservation and architecture in post-1945 Central and Eastern Europe, specifically on the ways political ideologies shape architecture and how architectural representations influence politics. My additional interests include the recent history of ethnic Germans in Eastern Europe and their relation to the politics of citizenship in contemporary Germany, and migration patterns and policies in an enlarged European Union.

I completed my dissertation, *Building Politics, Searching for Heritage: Architecture, Archaeology, and Imageries of Social Order in Romania (1947-2007)*, in the doctoral programme in Anthropology

and History at the University of Michigan, under the guidance of Katherine Verdery (CUNY) and Gillian Feeley-Harnik. As a Max Weber post-doctoral Fellow, I intend to revise my dissertation into a book manuscript that will discuss the shift from an approach to heritage-as-object to heritage-as-cultural-recognition in contemporary Europe, as a prerequisite for ethnic minorities to articulate political claims in the EU.

At the University of Michigan, I worked as a teaching assistant in the Departments of Anthropology and History. In spring 2009, I also taught my own advanced undergraduate course on interdisciplinary approaches to history and memory.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

The History of Central and Eastern Europe from the middle of the 19th century to the present,

Interdisciplinary Approaches to History and Memory, Modern European History, Social and Cultural History of 20th Century Central and Eastern Europe



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My research interests include the historical anthropology of the Mediterranean, early modern Spanish history, the history and historiography of expansion and empire, violence and exchange and history of religion in the Early Modern period.

I received my Ph.D. in History from the University of Michigan in May 2011. I received my B.A. in History (*summa cum laude*) and Philosophy (*magna cum laude*) from the University of Tel Aviv in 2002.

My dissertation, *Early Modern Spain and the Creation of the Mediterranean: Captivity, Commerce, and Knowledge*, examines how 'the Mediterranean' was

created between the 1580s and 1700s through cross-boundary maritime practices such as piracy, captivity, and ransom, and the production and circulation of social, religious, and economic discourses on the Maghrib and Spain.

In September 2012, I will start teaching as Assistant Professor in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages at the University of Connecticut.

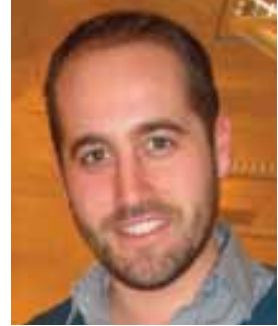
During my stay at the European University Institute, I will be working on a book manuscript based on my dissertation, and on an article on a comparative history of Mediterraneanization.

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Mentor: Dirk Moses



My research interests are in modern French and modern Jewish history. My doctoral research, titled: *Pétain's Jewish Children: French Jewish Youth and the Vichy Regime* was undertaken at St Hugh's College, Oxford where I worked under the supervision of Robert Gildea. In the final year of my doctorate, I was a Scouloudi Fellow at the Institute of Historical Research.

My Ph.D. examined the nature of the responses to the Vichy regime by French Jews between the years 1940 and 1942. My research on the specific category of French Jewish youth has revealed significant exceptions to Vichy's anti-Semitic policies, in which the regime's desire for a reinvigorated youth and the rebirth of the nation, took precedence over its racial laws.

At Oxford I taught several courses on twentieth-century European history. These included 'France from the Popular Front to the Liberation' and 'Culture Politics and Identity in Cold War Europe'. I also acted as a mentor to students writing extended essays on Vichy France.

As a Max Weber Fellow I intend to examine how Vichy's anti-Semitic legislation was implemented in a colonial setting. Through a focus on Jewish women, this study will seek to uncover the gendered nature of the Tunisian Jewish experience during the Second World War.

I completed my undergraduate degree, (a year of which I spent at Sciences-Po, Paris) at the University of Sussex, and began my M.A. at St Hugh's College in 2006.

**Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers**  
Twentieth-Century European History,  
Culture Politics and Identity in Cold War Europe



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I received my doctorate in Modern European History from New York University in 2011. My dissertation, *Credibility, Confidence and Capital: Austrian reconstruction and the collapse of global finance, 1921-1931*, was written under the supervision of Prof. Mary Nolan. I received my B.A. in History and Economics from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem in 2000.

My thesis discusses the emergence of global financial institutions following the First World War and the collapse of international financial cooperation in 1931, by studying the history of Austrian reconstruction. The League of Nations and foreign central banks were instrumental in helping Austria terminate hyperinflation in 1922. The mechanism of control, designed by financiers and the League of Nations created an unwarranted sense of confidence among

foreigners and Austrians, because the League consciously downplayed the risks to the country's precarious stability. Increasing political violence in the second half of the 1920s translated into financial uncertainty, which produced a bank run in 1929 that brought down the second largest Austrian bank. In 1931, when Austria's largest bank, the Credit-Anstalt, announced unprecedented losses, panic ensued, but the crisis was successfully contained by the Austrian National Bank. Only later did financial upheaval in Germany, and then in Britain, force Austria to abandon the gold exchange standard, impose capital controls and call back the League of Nations in September 1931.

At the EUI I am to prepare my dissertation for publication and begin work on a history of the 19th-century opium trade.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Modern European History, U.S. History, and the History of the Middle East, India and the British Empire

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My field of research is intellectual history, with a particular emphasis on the logic of small country intellectual fields. I completed my doctorate at the University of Helsinki in 2009 with a dissertation on the reception of the philosophy of Henri Bergson in Finland. The published version of the dissertation (2011, in Swedish) is titled *Henri Bergson in Finland. Reception, transfer, politicization*.

For the past few years I have worked as a researcher at the Centre for Nordic Studies (CENS) in Helsinki. My current project concerns the peripheries of the European intellectual space in the 19th and 20th centuries, with Finland and the

Nordic region as an example. This project deals with the question and the figure of ‘the autonomous intellectual’ in societies with a strong national imperative. I will also discuss how transnational alliances and international symbolic capital are mobilized in these contexts by individual intellectuals and groups defending an autonomous position against politics.

My other research interests include urban history, literary history and the history of avant-garde movements. At the University of Helsinki I have held teaching courses on various topics related to Nordic intellectual and cultural history from the Renaissance to the 20th century.

**Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers**  
History of Intellectuals, Scandinavian Cultural History,  
Peripheries and Asymmetrical Cultural Transfers



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My research focuses on the intersection between imperial history and political thought with a specific interest in the intellectual history of Iberian expansion. I am pursuing doctoral studies at Magdalene College, University of Cambridge and plan to submit my thesis during the summer of 2011. My Ph.D. on the ideological origins of the Portuguese Atlantic empire seeks to fill a Portugal-sized gap in the historiography of the intellectual framework of early modern imperial expansion. In my thesis I examine topics ranging from empire at sea to theories of conversion and slavery. I also discuss the temporal and geographical convergences and divergences of imperial discourse in Portugal and Spain.

As a Max Weber Fellow, I intend to move from a national case of empire into broader histories of imperial thought. My post-doctoral project will be on the

connection between the ‘natural man’ of the Americas, the man that European missionaries sought to sculpt, and the concept of a ‘natural population’, the malleable object of political economy. While at the European University Institute, I also expect to dedicate time to turning my doctoral thesis into a book manuscript.

Prior to my doctoral research in history at Cambridge, I earned a B.Sc. in International Relations from the London School of Economics and an M.A. in Theological Studies from Harvard University. Throughout my studies I have pursued my interest in the intersection between global affairs and the political and religious thought that informs them. My teaching experience in imperial history, global politics, political philosophy and the history of political thought reflects these interests.

**Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers**  
History of Political Thought, Imperial and World History

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I completed my doctorate in Modern European History in 2009 at Columbia University, where I wrote my dissertation, *Yugoslav Communism and the Power of Popular Music*, under the supervision of Prof. Mark Mazower. In examining the reception, surveillance and appropriation of Western popular music in Yugoslavia between 1945 and 1961, I argue that the mass consumption of it compelled the Yugoslav Communist Party to alter its strategies in cultural politics and foreign policy in order to appease popular desires and forge pan-Yugoslav bonds at home, as well as to fashion a liberal and modern image of itself abroad.

I received my B.A. in European Studies from the Australian National University in 2000 and was awarded its University Medal for my thesis on Croatian-Israeli relations, which I also worked on at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. As a

Fulbright scholar I pursued an M.A. in East European Studies at Yale University, which I completed in 2002 with my thesis on the gay and lesbian history of Croatia.

My research interests focus on the cultural history of international relations and the culture, history and politics of Yugoslavia and its successor states.

I have taught survey courses on modern European history, especially East Central European history in the twentieth century, as well as more specialised ones on culture and the Cold War, at Columbia University, the Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art, the European University Institute and James Madison University.

At the European University Institute, I am working on transforming my dissertation into a book.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Modern European History,

East Central European History in the twentieth century, Culture and Cold War



## **Max Weber Fellows Biosketches**

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My main research interests and specialisations lie in the fields of labour law, industrial relations and European law. Prior to joining the EUI as a Max Weber Fellow, I was a Research Fellow in Labour Law at the University of Catania, where I was a teaching assistant for the course of Labour Law, EU Labour Law and Labour Law and the Public Administrations at the Faculties of Law and Political Science. As an Adjunct Professor I have taught Labour Law at the Faculty of Political Science, University of Catania (2009–2010).

I hold a Ph.D. in European Labour Law at the University of Catania, for which I discussed a thesis on the European autonomous bargaining process and its link with the social right to collective bargaining. The Ph.D. was awarded *summa cum laude*. The quality of my research has been recognised by the Italian Society of Labour Law (AIDLASS) with a Special Mention.

During the Max Weber Fellowship I will focus on the impact of the new EU industrial relations system on the European integration process. The development of the new model of supranational collective bargaining in relation with the evolution of the European legal system could prove to be the most fertile soil to increase pluralist European governance, inspired by the principle of democratic participation.

I have also worked on a number of funded research projects on relevant aspects of national and EU legislation and jurisprudence: training contracts and federalist developments, job regulation in the public and private area and temporary agency work. I'm also involved in a research network funded by the Italian Ministry of Education on the social rights in written constitutions and living law.

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European Labour Law, Italian Labour Law,  
Labour Law and Public Administration, Industrial Relations

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Prior to joining the European University Institute, I completed my LL.M. at Harvard Law School. In 2009–2010, I held the positions of Visiting Fellow in Global Governance, Law and Social Thought at the Watson Institute for International Studies at Brown University, of Visiting Researcher at the Institute for Global Law and Policy at Harvard Law School and of Associate of Royal Complutense College at Harvard University.

Earlier, I was a Visiting Scholar in International Studies at the Watson Institute, at Brown University (2009), and the European Law Research Centre at Harvard Law School (2007). In 2010, I completed my Ph.D. in International Relations with specialization in International Law at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva. My doctoral dissertation is titled *Democracy in International Law and Its Critics – A Constitutionalist Reappraisal*.

Since 2005, I have been a Research Associate of the Philosophy of Law Department of the University Pablo de Olavide and, since 2009, of the Centre for the Study and Research of International Law (CERDIN) at the University Paris I (Panthéon-Sorbonne). I obtained an M.A. (2003–2005) in International relations with specialization in international law from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva. I also hold an LL.B. from University Complutense of Madrid. I have been Visiting Professor at the Catholic University of Lille and the University Pablo Olavide of Seville. I have presented my research in Europe and North-America and published a series of journal articles and chapters in books. My research interests focus on global governance, international law and democracy, global constitutionalism, EU law and institutions and the history of European legal thought.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

International Law, Global Governance, Critical (International) Legal Studies



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Between 2006 and 2011 I have worked as a Ph.D. researcher and lecturer at the Law Faculty of the VU University in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. My dissertation concerned integration requirements in immigration law, in particular the Dutch Act on Integration Abroad. In my thesis I investigate the reasons why this Act was introduced and its objectives with regard to immigrant integration. I moreover examine how integration as a condition for the admission of immigrants relates to the legal standards set by international and EU law, including human rights treaties and the EU migration directives.

As a lecturer, I have taught courses in constitutional law and migration law and supervised several M.A. theses on topics related to my Ph.D. research.

During my time at the VU University I was also an active member of the Migration and Diversity Centre, an

interdisciplinary network of researchers working on issues related to migration, integration and citizenship.

My research interests include (European) migration law, human rights law, constitutional law and political theory on citizenship and integration. Moving away somewhat from questions concerning admission and expulsion, in my future research I wish to concentrate on the position of migrants within the national community. In studying this issue I would like to combine theoretical debates on multiculturalism and citizenship with a legal assessment, focusing on the human rights dimension. One particular topic that I would like to address is the concept of ethnicity and the prohibition of ethnic discrimination in relation to policies on immigrant integration.

Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers  
Migration, integration and human rights

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I am currently writing my Habilitation thesis in the field of EU Administrative Law. The main question posed in this project is how and why the ECJ relies on the concept of State discretion.

I obtained my Ph.D. from the University of Zurich. My doctoral research dealt with the reception of international law in the European Court of Human Rights. It was published last year by Oxford University Press.

As part of my postgraduate work, I co-wrote a book on friendly settlements before the European Court of Human Rights with Prof. Helen Keller and Dr. Lorenz Engi, this is also available from OUP. This project relied on a

multidisciplinary approach using both quantitative and qualitative research methods.

On an on-going basis, I am also involved in a project on the defence of claimants before the European Court of Human Rights and a project on the hindrances that they may face in gaining access to them.

My future research plans are focused on the question of whether EU external policy in the field of human rights contributes to the coherence of the international legal order. I am also beginning to advise applicants with regard to their claims before the European Court of Human Rights, and I hope to be able to take up more cases in the future.



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My research interests concern bankruptcy law, business law, banking and financial regulation, law & economics. In particular, my research activity at the EUI concerns the consequences arising from bankruptcy within entrepreneurial contexts such as the inter-firm networks existing all over Europe.

I obtained an LL.M. from Columbia University in May 2011. In January 2010 I received my Ph.D. in Law and Economics from the University of Siena, where I completed my dissertation, *The Convergence among Bankruptcy Laws: Looking at a Hypothesis from a Law and Economics Perspective*, under the supervision of Prof. Lorenzo Stanghellini. Previously I received an M.Sc. in Law and Economics

from the University of Siena and an LL.B. from the Bocconi University of Milan.

From January to June 2007 I was a Visiting Scholar at the Boston University School of Law. In December 2009 I was appointed Honorary Fellow in Business Law at the University of Florence. I have published articles on bankruptcy law and banking law in Italian as well as in English.

My academic background has been complemented by some practical experience. Notably, I have practiced as an attorney at law and, from August 2007 to July 2009, I worked at the European Central Bank (initially as a trainee and afterwards in the capacity of Financial Supervision Expert).

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Bankruptcy Law, Banking and Financial Regulation, Law & Economics

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My research interests are in Commercial Law and Comparative Private Law. During my year at the EUI, my research activities will focus on inter-firm networks and the relation between contractual practices and transnational private regulation.

I hold a B.A. from the Faculty of Law of the University of São Paulo in Brazil (2006) and an M.A. in International Business Law from the Economics Faculty of the University of Rome “La Sapienza” (2007). I finished this programme with the highest grade in my year (30/30).

I received a Ph.D. in Law from the University of Rome “La Sapienza” in 2011. In my Ph.D. dissertation, which was carried out under the supervision of Professor Diego Corapi, I intensified my studies of Comparative Company Law. My specific topic was *Creditors protection*

*and single-member companies: a comparative analysis between the Italian and Brazilian legal systems.*

During my Ph.D. programme I was twice a Visiting Fellow at the Max Planck Institut für Ausländisches und Internationales Privatrecht, and on both occasions I was awarded their prestigious scholarship.

In 2009 I assisted on the M.A. Programme in Company Law in the LUISS University and in 2010 I was granted a position as a Teaching Assistant for Comparative Commercial Law in the same University. I have also been invited to give lectures on Comparative Private Law at the University of Molise and at the University of Urbino.

I have published articles on Comparative Company Law and European Company Law.



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I hold a J.D. from the University of Pavia, Italy (honours). I received a Ph.D. in Sociology of Law from the Faculty of Law, University of Groningen, the Netherlands.

My doctoral research is an ethical, socio-legal, and empirical study of decisions not to administer life-prolonging treatment to severely ill newborns in Dutch Neonatal Intensive Care Units. Non-treatment decisions are based on quality-of-life considerations. Assessment of brain damage plays a prominent role in the decision-making process.

After my doctorate, I taught Regulation of Medical Behaviour and Medical Ethics at the Faculty of Law, University of Trieste, Italy. I published on the regulation of

end-of-life decision in Italy, in cooperation with doctors. I strongly believe in interdisciplinary work.

I am currently interested in the ethical, legal and social implications ('ELSI') of technical and scientific advancements in the brain sciences. I work on selected issues at the interface between brain science and the law. I am carrying out experimental work in forensic neuroscience, in cooperation with brain scientists. In addition, I am interested in the regulation of medical and scientific research on human subjects. My interests also include the regulation of socially problematic medical behaviour and health law.

My papers are available on my homepage.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Law and Neuroscience, Neuroethics,  
Regulation of Socially Problematic Medical Behaviour,  
Medical Decision Making and Ethics

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My research interests are in corporate, bankruptcy and capital markets law, including the role of law in promoting sustainable development. My current research focuses on the ownership structure of public companies, mainly the relationship between corporate ownership structure and corporate governance arrangements and the pressing need to improve the basis of a trustworthy capital market in Brazil.

I received my doctoral degree (*summa cum laude*) from the University of São Paulo Law School in November 2009. My doctoral dissertation, *Corporate Reorganization in Brazil*, is concerned with the bankruptcy-reorganization system of corporations in Brazil, and the legal protection that is provided to the interests of the various parties involved by a corporation facing a crisis. From a comparative perspective and aiming at extirpating inequalities, it suggested amendments to the legislation in force.

As a doctoral candidate, I was granted a prestigious and much sought-after scholarship by the Brazilian Ministry of Justice and became a Research Fellow at the Bankruptcy Centre of University of São Paulo Law School. In addition, I was granted a Visiting Fellow Scholarship by the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law.

For the last few years, I have been a teaching assistant in Corporate Law, Bankruptcy Law, Introduction to Commercial Law and Capital Markets Law at the University of São Paulo Law School, and have taught in distinguished postgraduate courses in São Paulo. I am involved in a research project on Law and Poverty, which concentrates on the relationship between legal institutions and economic development, poverty and inequality.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Bankruptcy Law, Corporate Law, Capital Markets Law, Comparative Law



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I am a doctoral student at the University of Oxford. I have supervision in the Faculty of Law from Leslie Green and the Faculty of Philosophy from John Broome. In 2010 I was a visiting researcher in the Law School at Yale University, where I was supervised by Scott Shapiro. I expect to complete my D.Phil. by August 2011.

My main research interest is legal philosophy, and in particular law and normativity. I am also interested in related areas of political philosophy, constitutional law and theory, and evidence law. I was formerly a tutor in constitutional law at St Anne's College, Oxford.

My work as a doctoral student is on practical reason and rules. In my thesis, I look at what it means for a person or society to have a rule. I spend much of my time criticizing Joseph Raz's account of rules. I also propose an alternative account based on a distinction influential in the philosophy of mind between acceptance and belief.

I hold an M.Phil. in Law (2008) and a B.A. in Civil Law (2007) from the University of Oxford. I completed an LL.B. (2005) at the University of Victoria and a B.A. (2002) in Economics at the University of Winnipeg, both in Canada.

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Prior to joining the EUI as a Max Weber Fellow I was a teaching assistant for the chair of Administrative Law and Adjunct Professor in Comparative Administrative Law in the Faculty of Political Sciences at the University of Pisa. There I completed my Ph.D. in Administrative Law in 2008, discussing a thesis on the methods of compatibility of individual freedoms and public protective action in counter-terrorism policies.

In the past two years I have studied the foundations of standard-based regulation of catastrophic risks, comparing the anti-terrorism security responses with the solutions elaborated in environmental matters. I published the findings of this research in a monograph titled *La regolazione del rischio e il sistema degli standard. Elementi per una teoria dell'azione amministrativa attraverso in casi del terrorismo e dell'ambiente* (ES, Napoli, 2010).

Moreover, in 2009 I had a research contract at the Scuola Superiore della Pubblica Amministrazione (National School of Government) and in 2007 I spent a research term at King's College London. In 2006 I had an internship at the Italian Data Protection Authority (*Garante per la protezione dei dati personali*) and since 2008 I have been legal consultant on public partnerships for the Provincia di Lucca.

In 2004 I graduated *summa cum laude* in Political Sciences (majoring in Law) from the University of Pisa and in 2006 I obtained the university diploma *summa cum laude* from the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies.

My research interests include Italian, EU and comparative administrative law, risk regulation, law and economics, data protection, and legal aspects of the fight against terrorism.

Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers  
Administrative Law, Regulation



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My research is focused on economic regulation, and in particular on the intersection of competition law, contracts and intellectual property. Specifically, I have studied the response of companies and regulators to increased market dynamism that results in vertical disintegration of production towards looser networks of independent collaborators.

My LL.M. and J.S.D. are from Columbia University, where my doctoral dissertation, entitled *The Turn to Governance in Antitrust Law and Policy*, was supervised by Prof. Charles F. Sabel. The dissertation examines the trend away from the elaboration of doctrinal rules towards the use of governance mechanisms in antitrust interventions, in the US, the EU, as well as internationally.

My current research focuses on the design of remedial mechanisms in competition interventions, as well as multi-level instruments for cooperation between competition agencies, that can attenuate the standard shortcomings of principal-agent governance models. In addition, I examine forms of domestication of supranational (EU) regulation into the domestic law of the Member States.

Before my studies at Columbia, I obtained an undergraduate degree in Economics and a Law degree from the University of Sydney in Australia, where I also taught mathematical economics and game theory as an Associate Lecturer in Economics. After Law School I worked as a Law Associate (clerk) to Justice Michael D. Kirby of the High Court of Australia.

Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers  
Game Theory

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My research interests are in European and comparative private law, European, Asian and international economic law, arbitration and mediation, (comparative) legal method, and the economic analysis of the law. My research and publications have focused on international economic law, intellectual property and competition law, and Chinese Law. I am finishing a book on intellectual property protection in the pharmaceutical, automotive, and software industries in the P.R. China.

I expect to finalize my doctoral dissertation, *Theory of Transnational Intellectual Property Law — Legal and Economic Perspectives on Balanced Regulation*, under the supervision of Reto M. Hilty at the Ludwig Maximilians University Munich in spring 2011. Future research projects investigate how the political, social, and economic dynamics of globalization,

Europeanization and arbitration are transforming enforcement of private law in Europe.

Prior to joining the European University Institute I was both a Research Fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property and Competition Law and Coordinator of the International Max Planck Research School for Competition and Innovation (IMPRS-CI). Further work experience includes management consulting, court clerking at the European Court of Justice, and lecturing in the China-EU School of Law.

My M.A. in Jurisprudence and my LL.M.s in international, comparative, and German law are from the University of Oxford, Columbia University School of Law, and the Ludwig Maximilians University Munich.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

European and Comparative Private Law, European, Chinese and International Economic Law, Intellectual Property and Competition Law, (Comparative) Legal Method, Economic Analysis of the Law



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My general research interests are in institutional theory, especially institutional change in labour markets and its ramifications for social integration.

My dissertation addressed the question of how regulations of labour market access shape the outcomes of flexibilization processes. More specifically, I investigated the impact of the projectification of work and employment on the life course and on labour relations in labour market segments with varying degrees of professionalization. I pursued my dissertation as a doctoral fellow of the International Max Planck Research School on the Social and Political Constitution of the Economy and as a visiting doctoral fellow at the Centre for Research on

Inequalities and the Life Course at Yale University. I received my D.Phil. in 2009 (*summa cum laude*) from the University of Duisburg-Essen.

As a post-doc at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies in Cologne I published the book out of my dissertation, *Flexible employment, new dependencies*.

Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow I was a researcher at the Sociology Department of the University of Duisburg-Essen. There I taught courses I designed on the sociology of work, labour markets and their institutional underpinnings, at both B.A. and M.A. level.

Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers  
Sociology of Work, Labour Markets

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My research interests centre on the politics of economic policy. My doctoral dissertation, titled *Fiscal Policy as Battlefield — Explaining Unsustainable Public Debt Accumulation in Italy and Belgium*, investigates the socio-political background of fiscal policymaking in general and the accumulation of public debt in particular. As a corollary to this work, I have also conducted research on the European system of fiscal rules and the workings of the European fiscal surveillance, on the mechanisms of market discipline on fiscal policy and on the relationship between debt accumulation and public opinion.

Prior to taking up the Max Weber Fellowship, I was an Abernethy Dissertation Fellow at the Bologna centre

of the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies of the Johns Hopkins University and a graduate teaching assistant at the London School of Economics and Political Sciences. I have taught various courses analysing economic policy from both economic and political angles.

I will complete my Ph.D. in European Studies at the London School of Economics and Political Sciences in August 2011. I hold a graduate degree in International Economics from the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies of the Johns Hopkins University and an undergraduate degree in Business Administration and Finance from the Budapest University of Economics.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

The Politics of Economic Policy, Public Debt, Distributive Coalitions



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Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow I worked for a few years as a Middle East analyst within the French administration. I hold a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Grenoble and an M.A. in Political Science from Sciences Po Paris. My work has mainly focused on political change and regimes' transformations in the Arab world.

In my Ph.D. dissertation, titled *Will the party be the solution? The Egyptian National Democratic Party (NDP), a tool for gaining power in an authoritarian regime in transition*, I focused on the

inner workings of the Egyptian presidential party between 2000 and 2008 and analysed the strategy for gaining power implemented by Gamal Mubarak, the President's younger son, and a group of newcomers on the political scene. I highlighted the advantages and drawbacks of a strategy that focused mainly on the party, at the expense of other institutions more influential in the Egyptian political system.

From now on, I intend to keep on working on political change in authoritarian regimes, through a comparison of recent experiences in Egypt, Tunisia and Syria.

[Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers](#)  
Political Institutions, Political Change in the Arab World

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I am a post-doctoral researcher in European Politics at the Centre of Comparative and International Studies, ETH Zurich, where I completed my Ph.D. on transnational influences and democratic socialization in authoritarian contexts in 2010 (committee: Professors Liesbet Hooghe, Sandra Lavenex, and Frank Schimmelfennig). Prior to joining the European University Institute, I was a lecturer at ETH Zurich and the University of Lucerne, where I taught graduate and undergraduate seminars in European Studies and International Relations.

My research interests are in the intersection of International Relations and European Union Studies, more precisely in the areas of EU external governance, external democratization, and international socialization. My current research explores subtle processes of democratization that are possibly a side-product of

external activities undertaken for purposes other than democracy promotion. I analyze to what extent and under what conditions transnational influences such as social and communication linkages and inter-administrative cooperation shape the attitudes of state officials toward democratic governance in stable authoritarian regimes, notably Morocco and Jordan. My work appears in the *Journal of European Public Policy*, *Democratization*, and *Zeitschrift für Internationale Beziehungen*.

My research has been awarded with the Best Graduate Student Paper Award of the 2010 Pan-European Conference of the ECPR Standing Group on IR (SGIR), the International Studies Association's Carl Beck Award for the best graduate student paper at the 2010 annual meeting of the ISA, and the European Union Studies Association Award for the best paper at the 2009 EUSA biennial conference.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Attitude Measurement, EU External Governance,  
Democracy Promotion. International Socialization



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I am currently completing my Ph.D. in the Franco-German doctoral programme 'Comparing Democratic Societies in Europe' of the Institute of Political Science of Bordeaux and the Institute of Social Sciences of Stuttgart (supervisor: Vincent Hoffmann-Martinot; completion expected in summer 2011). My thesis deals with *EU related ideological change and electoral usages of European integration. A comparative analysis of France, Germany, and the United Kingdom (1986-2009)*.

Besides my doctoral research, I have been involved in several projects in the field of comparative politics, all calling for multi-disciplinary analysis and mixed-methods. I notably contribute to two projects funded by the French Research Agency on parliamentary representation at the national and European levels (LEGIPAR and CITREP, coordinated by Olivier Costa and Eric Kerrouche respectively) and to a

comparative project on nuclear energy directed by Professors Wolfgang Müller and Paul Thurner. Since 2008, I have been managing the coding of French legislative manifestos for the Comparative Agendas Project (CAP), a collaborative effort to measure policy change in a comparative and dynamic perspective. I also co-directed a Dictionary of Franco-German Relations involving over 30 young scientists from five disciplines.

During the Max Weber Fellowship, I intend to deepen and connect my interests in party competition and the legislative process by exploring the articulations between electoral competition and policy-making in five countries, using CAP data and qualitative sectoral analyses.

Fields of expertise: Party Competition, Europeanization, Parliamentary Representation, Franco-German Relations.

[Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers](#)  
Research Methodology, German for Political Scientists,  
Franco-German Relationships

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I am currently a Ph.D. candidate in Social Sciences at the California Institute of Technology and will defend my dissertation in July 2011. My dissertation is titled *Political Participation is More than Just Resources: A New Approach to the Study of Civic Engagement* and is written under the supervision of Professors Michael Alvarez, Roderick Kiewiet, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal.

My primary research interests lie in the fields of political behaviour and research methods. My dissertation develops a new statistical procedure for modelling civic engagement, and applies this method to survey data collected in the United States during different electoral periods. I have also studied voter choice under a variety of electoral systems; the impact of political attitudes (such as approval of emergency

economic policies) and acquisition of citizenship on civic engagement; the determinants of public attitudes toward election reform; and have worked on the development and application of election forensic indicators. Some of my research is forthcoming in *Political Research Quarterly* and *Election Law Journal*, and other manuscripts are currently under review.

I have been a teaching assistant and given invited lectures for political science courses, including Introduction to Political Science (an applied game theory course), American Electoral Behaviour and Party Strategy, and Comparative Politics, and presented my research at multiple political science conferences. Also, I have served as Graduate Editorial Assistant for *Political Analysis* since January 2010.

**Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers**  
Quantitative Research Methods,  
Formal and Empirical Modeling of Political Behaviour,  
Political Behaviour in the United States



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I am currently a Ph.D. candidate in the Political Science department at Brown University. In April 2011 I will defend my doctoral dissertation, titled *Friends and Rivals: Why Allies Disagree on Major Security Issues*. I also currently serve as an adjunct professor in the Political Science department at Brown University, where I teach courses on international relations and American foreign policy. I have a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Michigan, an M.Sc. in Political Theory from the London School of Economics, and an M.A. in Political Science from Brown University.

My research areas include alliance politics, American foreign policy, European foreign and security policy, nuclear weapons, and international security.

My dissertation explores the alliance security dilemma under unipolarity. For America's European allies, I argue that

their cohesion or discord on major security issues since the end of the Cold War is a product of symmetrical (cooperation) or asymmetrical (discord) fears of abandonment or entrapment by the United States.

In addition to my dissertation, current and past research projects have focused on international relations theory and the rise of European security policy, European security governance, global power shifts, Russia's use of the natural gas giant Gazprom to advance its foreign policy interests, and the role of ideology on state behaviour and interstate interactions in contemporary world politics. My most recent publication, on America's position in a post-unipolar world, appeared in the journal *Orbis*.

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International Relations, American Foreign Policy

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My research focuses on political violence and social (especially Islamist) movements, from a comparative perspective. This includes terrorism and insurgent violence, but also state violence and mechanisms of control. I am particularly interested in the role of relationships and interaction patterns in processes of radicalization and violent conflict, with a special emphasis on the relationship between militant groups and their constituencies. Planned research projects include a study on Islamist (Salafist) milieus in Europe, which analyzes interactions between Islamist milieus and certain parts of their social environment, focusing on the way in which they contribute to—and are in turn affected by—processes of radicalization, and on mechanisms of control (police control and social control) as one central aspect of these relationships.

Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow I worked as a researcher at the Institute for Interdisciplinary Research on Conflict and Violence (IKG) at the University of Bielefeld, Germany. Before that, I was a member of the Research Group Micropolitics of Armed Groups at Humboldt University, Berlin.

I studied political science, sociology, and international law at the universities of Augsburg and Bonn, and received a Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Augsburg. My dissertation *Mobilizing the Faithful: The Relationship between Militant Islamist Groups and their Constituencies* comparatively analyzes the development of al-Jamaa al-Islamiyya and al-Jihad (Egypt), and Hizbullah (Lebanon).

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Political Violence, Terrorism and Insurgent Violence,  
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Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow, I was a Research Fellow at the International Security Program, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, and a graduate student at the Department of Politics and International Relations at the University of Oxford.

In my doctoral dissertation, *Governing Homeland Security: Multilateral Cooperation, National Security Cultures and Counter-Terrorism Responses after 9/11*, I examined counter-terrorism responses in the United States, the United Kingdom, and Italy in the context of international counter-terrorism cooperation.

My chief research interests are counter-terrorism, International Relations theory,

and the role of norms and ideas in shaping foreign and national security policies.

At the Institute, I plan to expand my research on the international governance of homeland security, and revise my Ph.D. thesis into a book manuscript.

I hold a B.A. and M.A. (*summa cum laude*) in Political Science and International Relations from the University of Trieste, an M.A. in Security Studies (first-class honours) from the Institute of Political Studies in Paris (Sciences Po), and an M.A. in Diplomacy from the Italian Society for International Organization (SIOI). In 2010–2011, I was a Terrorism Research Awardee with the START Program on Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism of the University of Maryland.

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Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism, Global Security Governance

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I hold an M.A. in International Relations from the LSE and a Ph.D. in Political Science from Columbia University. My doctoral dissertation, *Limited Liability Multilateralism: IOs and U.S. Military Intervention*, explains why and under what conditions the United States seeks the endorsement of standing international organizations (IOs) such as the UN or NATO for its military interventions.

I am particularly interested in the micro-dynamics of multilateral legitimacy; that is, I investigate who among Washington's main bureaucratic players is most interested in multilateral legitimacy, and for what reasons. Comparing U.S. decision making during the lead-up to several post-cold war interventions, I find that in the face of U.S. domestic political pressure

to intervene when no traditional strategic interests are at stake, American military leaders are among the staunchest and most effective advocates in Washington of seeking formal multilateral endorsement for the use of force. The endorsement of relevant IOs, obtained before the initiation of offensive military action, is particularly valuable to commanders in the armed forces, because it maximizes multilateral buy-in and thereby reduces the American military's liability for post-combat peacekeeping and stabilization.

Besides my dissertation work on U.S. national security policy, multilateralism, and civil-military relations, I also have a strong interest in applied international ethics, post-war reconstruction, and classical international relations theory.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

International Relations Theory, U.S. Foreign Policy, International Institutions, The Politics and Ethics of Military Intervention, Human Rights, International Political Theory



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I received my Ph.D. from Duke University in 2008 with a dissertation on *Risk Inequality: Social Policy and Polarization by Popular Demand*.

Afterwards, I spent some time at Nuffield College, Oxford University, where I was a Nuffield Prize Post-Doctoral Fellow.

Since 2010, I have been Assistant Professor at Ohio State University, where I teach courses on income inequality, political institutions, and Western Europe.

My work is located at the intersection of political economy and political behaviour. In particular, I am interested in the causes and consequences of income dynamics (such as income loss, income volatility, and risk exposure). At the micro-level, my research explores how income dynamics shape individual preferences for redistribution, social policies, and parties. At the macro-level, my work analyzes the impact of labour market and income dynamics on polarization, electoral majorities, and coalitions underpinning social policy.

**Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers**  
Comparative Political Economy, Political Behaviour

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Broadly speaking, I am interested in the social bases of political action, and the ways in which group and individual behaviour is shaped by and responds to existing institutions. Studying immigrant engagement in West European politics is one way to get at these issues of structure and agency.

My dissertation concerns the factors that make foreign residents more or less likely to take citizenship in Germany and

Austria. I am also working on the public opinion effects of the London 2005 bombings, and on the electoral impact of foreign-born candidates in recent federal elections in Germany.

I will complete a Ph.D. in political science at UC Berkeley in August 2011. The title of my dissertation is: *Citizenship Begins at Home: How Families Shape Migrant Incorporation*. I have also studied in Berlin and Oxford.

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Comparative Politics, Political Behaviour, Citizenship and Immigration



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My research interests are in: comparative politics of the developed democracies, more specifically the effects of the electoral systems on the strategies of political parties and the electorates; Japanese politics; quantitative methodology, more specifically the statistics of the causal inference and survey methodology.

I received my Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Michigan in 2011. In my dissertation project titled *Three Essays on the Party Strategies under the Mixed-Member Electoral System*, I examine two effects of electoral reform to the

mixed-member electoral system on representation in Japan. The first two papers examine the strategic behaviour of small parties when they face a system biased against them, and the other studies unexpected institutional effect that cancels out incumbency advantage of major parties.

I taught graduate-level classes in the use of statistical computing software (Stata and R) at Michigan as primary instructor. Prior to my Ph.D., I earned a B.A. and an M.A. in Political Science from the University of Tokyo.

Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers  
The Use of Statistical Computing Software

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Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow I was a graduate student in Political Theory in the Department of Political Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. There I completed my doctoral dissertation, *Deporting Democracy: The Politics of Immigration and Sovereignty*, under the guidance of Susan Bickford and Jeff Spinner-Halev. My publications include a forthcoming *Political Studies* piece 'Perpetual What? Injury, Sovereignty, and a Cosmopolitan View of Immigration'. In past years I have taught several self-designed courses including 'Feminist Theory' and 'Critical Approaches to Development' at my home institution and Humboldt Universität in Berlin.

I graduated with a B.A. in Economics (Minor: Political Science) at Torcuato Di Tella University and earned an M.A. in Political Science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

My research interests include immigration, theories of democracy and sovereignty, Latina/o political thought, biopolitics, and ontological critiques of economics and institutionalism.

My dissertation develops a novel framework to analyse immigration politics at the intersection of the external realm of sovereignty and democratic politics. I claim that the present and legacy of a hierarchical international order constructs identities and pre-conceptions that shape how polities deal with immigration. I engage the current literature on freedom of movement and deliberative democracy and propose a political reading of cosmopolitanism that understands immigrants' political actions as a challenge to the existing shape of sovereignty. I conclude that domestic immigration policing closes spaces of politics and constructs vulnerable populations within democracies.

**Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers**

Immigration, Race and Political Theory, Sovereignty



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My research interests are in social stratification, labour market inequality and poverty in a life course perspective. I am particularly interested in the study of cumulative disadvantage over the life course, gender inequality in the labour market and life events associated with poverty. My work is comparative, looking at different welfare regimes in Europe.

My work is based on the analysis of large-scale household panel datasets. To ensure the robustness of my substantive findings, I engage in careful study of methodological aspects of survey data. My methodological research has focused on survey non-response and attrition

patterns as well as the measurement of income poverty and annual household income in longitudinal cross-national household panel surveys.

Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow I was a Post-doctoral Researcher at the Cathie Marsh Centre of Census and Survey Research, University of Manchester. There I taught an M.Sc. course on Advanced Survey Methods.

In my doctoral thesis, which I obtained from the Catholic University of Leuven, I studied the dynamic aspect of poverty and its implications for our understanding of social stratification.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Social Stratification, Inequality in a Life-course Perspective,  
Comparative European Welfare State Analysis, Poverty and Poverty Dynamics,  
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Prior to joining the European University Institute as a Max Weber Fellow I was a graduate student in the Department of Sociology at the University of Amsterdam (UvA). Under the supervision of Annette Freyberg-Inan and Jelle Visser, I completed my doctoral dissertation *cum laudae* in February 2011, titled *Striking with tied hands: Strategies of labour interest representation in post-communist Romania and Ukraine*.

In 2009-2010 I taught a self-designed course titled, 'Democracy in Eastern Europe, 1989-2009' at UvA.

I graduated from the National School of Administrative and Political Studies in Bucharest with a B.A. in Political Science, and earned an M.A. in European Studies from Viadrina University in Frankfurt-Oder.

My research interests lie in the fields of the political economy of post-communist states, and collective action problems and their consequences for democracy.

I am particularly interested in the ways in which states contain or facilitate collective action, and so far my research has focused on post-communist Europe. My dissertation deals with the struggles of workers at newly privatized industrial plants in Ukraine and Romania. By means of more than a year of field research at ten factories, I developed an ethnographic study of causes and outcomes of worker protests in economic sectors heavily affected by economic crisis (metallurgy and machine-building). Specifically I explored how national or sectoral political economy regimes interact with forms of trade union organization to contain or allow worker protests.

### Expertise for Teaching and Mentoring of Ph.D. Researchers

Democracy, Labour Sociology, the Post-communist Far-Right



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