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Short bio

[Roberto Caso](#), co-director of [Trento LawTech Group](#), is Full Professor of Comparative Private Law at University of Trento, Faculty of Law, Centre Agriculture Food Environment - C3A. He teaches Civil Law [Diritto civile], Comparative Intellectual Property Law, Law of Digital Era, Copyright law and Art, CopyrightX Trento. He is author and editor of publications in the field of Intellectual Property, Privacy, Contract Law and Tort Law. Founding member and former President (2015-2023) of the Italian Association for the Promotion of Open Science [[Associazione Italiana per la promozione della Scienza Aperta](#) AISA]. Associate member of the [Centre for Intellectual Property Policy \(CIPP\)](#) at McGill University - Faculty of Law (Montréal, Québec, Canada).

Main publications

Main publications (**books**): [Abuso di potere contrattuale e subfornitura industriale: modelli economici e regole giuridiche](#), Trento, Artimedia, 2000; (ed. with Giovanni Pascuzzi), [I diritti sulle opere digitali](#), Padova, CEDAM, 2002; [Digital Rights Management. Il commercio delle informazioni digitali tra contratto e diritto d'autore](#), Padova, CEDAM, 2004; (ed.) [Ricerca scientifica pubblica, trasferimento tecnologico e proprietà intellettuale](#), Bologna, Il Mulino, 2005; (ed.), [Sicurezza informatica: regole e prassi](#), Trento, Università di Trento, 2006; (ed.), [Guida alla ricerca ed alla lettura delle decisioni delle corti statunitensi](#), Trento, Università di Trento, 2006; (ed.), [Digital Rights Management: problemi teorici e prospettive applicative](#), Trento, Università di Trento, 2008; (ed.) [Pubblicazioni scientifiche, diritti d'autore e Open Access](#), Trento, Università degli Studi di Trento, 2009; (ed.) [Plagio e creatività. Un dialogo tra diritto e altri saperi](#), Trento, Università degli Studi di Trento, 2011; (ed. with Federica Giovanella), [Balancing Copyright Law in the Digital Age](#).

[Comparative Perspectives](#), Berlin-Heidelberg, Springer, 2015; (ed. with Federica Giovanella), [Reti di libertà](#), Napoli, Editoriale scientifica, 2015; [La rivoluzione incompiuta. La scienza aperta tra diritto d'autore e proprietà intellettuale](#), Milano, Ledizioni, 2020; [La società della mercificazione e della sorveglianza: dalla persona ai dati](#), Milano, Ledizioni, 2021.

Main publications (**articles and book chapters**): R. Caso, [Open Access to Legal Scholarship and Copyright Rules: A Law and Technology Perspective](#), in G. Peruginelli, M. Ragona (Eds.), *Proceedings Law via the Internet: Free Access, Quality of Information, Effectiveness of Rights*, pages 97-110, European Press Academic Publishing, Florence, 2009; R. Caso, R. Ducato, [Opening Research Biobanks: an Overview](#), in Macilotti M., Izzo U., Pascuzzi G., [Comparative Issues in the Governance of Research Biobanks: Property, Privacy, Intellectual Property and the Role of Technology](#), Springer, Berlin Heidelberg, 2013, 209- 229; R. Caso, R. Ducato, [Open bioinformation in the life sciences as a gatekeeper for innovation and development](#), in G. Bellantuono, F. T. de Rezende Lara, (Eds.), [Law, Development and Innovation](#), Springer, 2015 115; R. Caso, R. Ducato, [Intellectual Property, Open Science and Research Biobanks](#). Trento LawTech Research Papers, [nr. 22](#), Trento, Università degli Studi di Trento, 2014, ISBN 978-88-8443-571-2; R. Caso, G. Dore, [Copyright as Monopoly: the Italian Fire under the Ashes](#), Trento LawTech Research Papers, nr. 26, Trento, Università degli Studi di Trento, 2016 in Fei Anlig (a cura di), *Convergence of Roman Law and Doctrine*, vol. 9, Beijing: China University of Political Science and Law Press, 2019, p. 26-35. – ISBN: 978-7-5620-8965-0. – URL: <http://www.cuplpress.com/index.php?m=book&a=detail&id=12035>; R. Caso, Thomas Margoni, Rossana Ducato, Paolo Guarda, Valentina Moscon, [Open Access, Open Science, Open Society](#), Trento LawTech Research Papers, nr. 27, Trento, Università degli Studi di Trento, 2016, in [Positioning and Power in Academic Publishing: Players, Agents and Agendas](#), F. Loizides and B. Schmidt (Eds.) © 2016 The authors and IOS Press, pp. , 75-86. This article is published online with Open Access by IOS Press and distributed under the terms of the Creative Commons Attribution License. doi:10.3233/978-1-61499-649-1-75; R. Caso, V. Moscon, [Open Access implementation: from a bottom-up order to a top-down disorder? “The Italian job”](#), in Raquel Esther de Román Perez (a cura di), [Propiedad intelectual en las universidades públicas: titularidad, gestión y transferencia](#), Albolote, GRANADA, Editorial Comares, 2016, 377; R. Caso, P. Guarda, [Copyright Overprotection Versus Open Science: The Role of Free Trade Agreements](#), in L. Corbin, M. Perry, [Free Trade Agreements Hegemony or Harmony](#), Springer, Singapore, 2018, 35-51; R. Caso, [The academic copyright in the age of commodification of scientific research](#), in SCIRES-IT – SCientific REsearch and Information Technology, [Volume 10, Special Issue \(2020\) Open Science: New models of scientific communication and research evaluation](#), Issue edited by P. Gargiulo and Editors in-Chief V. Valzano and M. Cigola; R. Caso, [The Darkest Hour: Private Information Control and the End of Democratic Science](#), Trento LawTech Research Papers, nr. 35, Trento, Università degli studi di Trento, 2018, in I. De Gennaro, H. Hofmeister, R. Lüfter (eds.), [Academic Freedom in the European Context. Legal, Philosophical and Institutional Perspectives](#), in [Palgrave Critical University Studies](#) book series (PCU), Springer Nature, 2022, 259-288; R. Caso, G. Dore, [Academic Copyright, Open Access and the “Moral” Second Publication Right](#), Trento LawTech Research Paper nr. 47, 2021, in [European Intellectual Property Review, 6/2022, 332-342](#); R. Caso, M.C. Pievatolo, [A liberal infrastructure in a neoliberal world: the Italian case of GARR](#), in [Journal of Intellectual Property, Information Technology and Electronic Commerce](#), 2023, Zenodo, <<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.7561821>>

Recent research projects

[Clinical trial data between privatization of knowledge and Open Science \(acronym: CLIPKOS\) 2023-2025](#)

[Rethinking digital copyright law for a culturally diverse, accessible, creative Europe 2020-2023](#)

[Wireless Community Networks: A Novel Techno-Legal Approach 2015-2016](#)

Institutional service

- Co-Director of the [LawTech Group](#) - University of Trento - Faculty of Law
- Member of the [Open Science Committee](#) of the University of Trento
- Supervisor of the [bilateral agreement](#) on students exchange between University of Trento - Faculty of Law and McGill University - Faculty of Law
- Supervisor of the Erasmus program on students exchange between University of Trento - Faculty of Law and Universidad de Alicante
- [Member of the LAST – JD - Joint International Doctoral \(Ph.D.\) Degree in Law, Science and Technology](#) - Università di Bologna, Alma Mater Studiorum
- Alternate member of the [Data Protection Committee](#) of the University of Trento

Education

- Ph.D. in Comparative Private Law, University of Trento (1998)
- Master's degree in Law (Magna Cum Laude), University of Bari (1992)
- High School leaving qualification in Classical Studies - Liceo Socrate - Bari (1986)

Academic career

- Associate professor (2006)
- Assistant professor (2001)

Languages

Italian (mother tongue)

English

French

Areas of interest

Comparative Law; Law, Science and Technology; Intellectual Property Law; Privacy and Data Protection Law; Property law; Contract Law; Tort Law

Main publications

Books

Articles, book chapters and case notes

Phd Supervision

- [Dr. Giorgia Bincoletto](#) (Phd 2021) Data Protection by Design in the E-health Care Sector: Theoretical and Applied Perspectives

- [Dr. Giulia Dore](#) (PhD 2015) [Plagiarism as an axiom of legal similarity: a critical and interdisciplinary study of the Italian author's right and the UK copyright system on the moral right of attribution](#). Phd thesis, University of Trento

- [Prof. Dr. Federica Giovanella](#) (PhD 2012) [Balancing conflicting rights in the digital age: the case of information privacy vs. copyright enforcement against file sharing](#). PhD thesis, University of Trento

- [Dr. Valentina Moscon](#) (PhD 2009) Diritto d'autore, contratto e tecnologie per la traduzione delle regole in codice informatico, PhD thesis, University of Trento [winner of prize Quarto Premio Nazionale Vittorio Frosini della Rivista "Il diritto dell'informazione e dell'informatica"]

- [Prof. Dr. Thomas Margoni](#) (2008), Authorship Ownership and Reusability in digital Distance Education: A Comparative Analysis, PhD thesis, University of Trento

Marie Curie International Outgoing Fellowship Supervision

- (September 2011 - August 2013), ProGI: Prof. Dr. [Matteo Ferrari](#), A comparative analysis of the protection of geographical indications for foodstuffs, grant agreement no. 272852, European Union Seventh Framework Programme (FP7/2007-2013)

Teaching (University of Trento)

Courses (Faculty of Law):

2011/2012-present (Faculty of Law): [Civil Law](#) [Diritto civile]

2006/2007-present (Faculty of Law): [Comparative Intellectual Property Law](#)

2016/2017-present (Faculty of Law): [Copyright Law and Art](#)

2018/2019-present (Faculty of Law): [CopyrightX Trento](#) (in collaboration with Harvard Law School)

2022/2023 (Faculty of Law): [Law of the Digital Era](#)

Past courses (Faculty of Law):

2016/2017-2022-2023 (Faculty of Law): [Comparative Privacy Law](#)

2003/2004-2017/2018: Private Law and Information & Communication Technologies (ICTs)

2012/2013: Privacy in the Digital Era

2012/2013: Intellectual Property Licensing

2007/2008-2010/2011: Information Security and Data Protection Law

2009/2010: Copyright Law and Music

Courses (Department of Sociology and Social Research):

2018/2019-2022-2023 (Department of Sociology and Social Research - Communication of Science and Innovation - SCICOMM): [Open Science](#)

Dissertations and theses (master's theses, bachelor's theses)

- As [supervisor](#) 208 (October 2023)

- As [co-supervisor](#) 18 (October 2023)