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Personal information and contact

Italian citizenship
Birth: 03/12/1986, Treviso (BG)
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Fields of Interest

Labour Economics, Gender Economics, Economics of Education, and Policy Evaluation

Employment

2024 - ... **Tenure-track Assistant Professor**, Dept. of Economics and Management, University of Trento, Italy
2021 - 2023 **Assistant Professor**, Dept. of Economics and Management, University of Trento, Italy
2018 - 2020 **Researcher**, FBK-IRVAPP, Trento, Italy
Career breaks: 14 apr 2019-16 sept 2019 (maternity leave), 17 sept 2019-31 jan 2020 (parental leave)
2017 **Post-doctoral Researcher**, University of Verona, Italy
2016 - 2017 **Researcher**, FBK-IRVAPP, Trento, Italy
2016 **Post-doctoral Researcher**, University of Torino, Italy

Affiliations

2023 - ... Research Institute for the Evaluation of Public Policies (FBK-IRVAPP), Trento, Italy
2016 - ... Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Germany
2013 - ... CHILD-Collegio Carlo Alberto (CHILD-CCA), Italy

Academic Visits

Spring 2023 Harvard Kennedy School, United States. Host: Michela Carlana
2014 - 2015 LISER, Luxembourg. Host: Eva Sierminska
2014 ISER, University of Essex, United Kingdom. Host: Emilia Del Bono

National Qualification

2021-2032 *National Scientific Qualification (ASN)* as Associate Professor in Economic Policy (13/A2)

Education

2012 - 2016 Ph.D. in Economics, University of Torino and Collegio Carlo Alberto, Torino, Italy
Women at Work. Supervisors: M. Rossi; D. Del Boca
Viva Committee: R.L. Oaxaca, S. Orefice, S. Pasqua
2016 SIE Award for the Best PhD Thesis in Economics
2008 - 2011 M.A. in Cooperation and Development Studies, *Cum Laude*, University of Torino, Italy
2005 - 2008 B.A. in International Sciences, *Cum Laude*, University of Milano, Italy
2007 - 2008 Certificat d'études politiques, Institut d'Etudes Politiques, Grenoble, France

Referred Journal Articles

1. Di Tommaso, M.L., Contini, D., De Rosa, D., Ferrara, F., Piazzalunga, D., Robutti, O. (2024). Tackling the Gender Gap in Mathematics with Active Learning Methodologies. *Economics of Education Review*, 100 (102538).
Media coverage: LaVoce, InGenere, Corriere.it

2. Contini, C., Di Tommaso, M.L., Muratori, C., Piazzalunga, D., Schiavon, L. (2022). Who lost the most? Mathematics achievement during the COVID-19 pandemic. *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy*, 22(2): 399-408.
Media coverage: Il Fatto Quotidiano.
3. Meroni, E., Piazzalunga, D., Pronzato, C. (2022). Allocation of Time and Child Socio-Emotional Skills. *Review of Economics of the Household*, 20: 1155–1192.
Media coverage: LaVoce.
4. Piazzalunga, D., Di Tommaso, M. L. (2019). The Increase of the Gender Wage Gap in Italy during the 2008-2012 Economic Crisis. *Journal of Economic Inequality*, 17(2): 171-193.
Media coverage: inGenere; Internazionale; Rai Economia, DIRE.
5. Del Boca, D., Martino, E.M., Meroni, E., Piazzalunga, D. (2019). Early Education and Gender Differences. *Economia Italiana* 2019/3: 11-36.
Media coverage: LaVoce.
6. Strøm, S., Piazzalunga, D., Venturini, A., Villosio, C. (2018). Wage assimilation of immigrants and internal migrants: the role of linguistic distance. *Regional Studies*, 52(10): 1423-1434.
7. Del Boca, D., Piazzalunga, D., Pronzato, C. (2018). The role of grandparenting in early childcare and child outcomes. *Review of Economics of the Household*, 16(2): 477-517.
Media coverage: IZA Newsroom; Pagina99; Radio 110; GiuntiScuola; Neodemos.
8. Piazzalunga, D. (2018). The Gender Wage Gap among College Graduates in Italy. *Italian Economic Journal*, 4(1): 33-90.
9. Piazzalunga, D. (2015). Is There a Double-Negative Effect? Gender and Ethnic Wage Differentials in Italy. *LABOUR*, 29(3): 243-269.
Media coverage: inGenere; Radio Articolo Uno.
10. Marchetti, S., Piazzalunga, D., Venturini, A. (2014). Does Italy represent an opportunity for temporary migrants from the eastern partnership countries? *IZA Journal of European Labor Studies*, 3:8.

Working Papers

- Contini, C., Della Giusta, M., Di Tommaso, M.L., Piazzalunga, D. (2023). The Covid-19 pandemic: learning loss and educational inequalities in Italy. Forthcoming in Couch, K.A. (ed.) *Handbook on Inequality and COVID-19*, Edward Elgar Publishing.
- Abbiati, G., Azzolini, D., Balanskat, A., Engelhart, K., Piazzalunga, D., Rettore, E., Wastiau, P. (2023). Effects of an Online Self-Assessment Tool on Teachers' Digital Competencies, *IZA Discussion Paper* 15863.
- Contini, C., Di Tommaso, M.L., Muratori, C., Piazzalunga, D., Schiavon, L. (2023). A lost generation? Impact of COVID-19 on high-school students' achievements. *IZA Discussion Paper* 16008.
- Sierminska, E., Piazzalunga, D., Grabka, M.M. (2019). Transitioning towards more equality? Wealth gender differences and the changing role of explanatory factors over time. *IZA Discussion Paper* 12404.
- Piazzalunga, D. (2017). Till Money Us Do Part: Property Division at Divorce and Married Couples' Time Use Behaviour. Awarded the Unicredit & Universities *UWIN Best Paper Award on Gender Economics*.

Other Publications, Chapters in Books and Reports

1. Brilli, Y., Fanfani, B., Piazzalunga, D. (2023). Divario di genere nell'accesso al lavoro a tempo indeterminato: discriminazione statistica? *XXII Rapporto Annuale INPS. Allegato 'Valutare con i dati amministrativi: progetti Visitinps Scholars'*, pp. 61-66.
Contribution also appeared in: Ragioneria generale dello Stato, **Bilancio di genere relativo al Rendiconto generale dello Stato 2022**, pp. 118-121.
2. Contini, D., Di Tommaso, M.L., Piazzalunga, D. (2022). Pandemia di COVID-19 e apprendimenti scolastici: che cosa abbiamo imparato? *Epidemiologia e Prevenzione*, 46(4): 236-237.

3. Abbiati, G., Azzolini, D., Piazzalunga, D., Rettore, E., Schizzerotto, A. (2018). *MENTEP Evaluation Report, Results of the field trials: The impact of the technology-enhanced self-assessment tool (TET-SAT)*, European Schoolnet, FBK- IRVAPP, Brussels.
4. Del Boca, D., Piazzalunga, D., Pronzato, C. (2017). Early childcare, child cognitive outcomes, and inequalities in the United Kingdom, in H.-P. Blossfeld, N. Kulic, J. Skopek, and M. Triventi (Eds.), *Childcare, Early Education and Social Inequality. An International Perspective*, Cheltenham, UK: **Edward Elgar Publishing**, pp: 215-230. ISBN: 978-1-78643-208-7.
5. Del Boca, D., Martino, E.M., Piazzalunga, D. (2017). Investments in Early Education and Child Outcomes: The Short and the Long Run. *ifo DICE Report* 15(1): 43-48.
6. Villosio, C., Di Tommaso, M.L., Grinza, E., Rossi, M.C., Piazzalunga, D., Mantouvalou, K. and Caisl, J. (2017). *Economic benefits of gender equality in the European Union. Literature review: existing evidence and methodological approaches*. European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) report, **Luxembourg: Publications Office of the European Union**, ISBN: 978-92-9493-197-9.
7. Del Boca, D., Flinn, C., Piazzalunga, D., Pronzato, C., Sorrenti, S., Wiswall, M. (2016). *Child Care Policies in Different Countries*, report for XVIII European Conference, Fondazione Rodolfo DeBenedetti.
8. Marchetti, S., Piazzalunga, D., Venturini, A. (2013). *Costs and Benefits of Labour Mobility between the EU and the Eastern Partnership Countries. Country Report: Italy*, EuropeAid/130215/C/SER/Multi, Torino; also available as IZA DP 7635.

Software Package

- Bazzoli, M., De Poli, S., Piazzalunga, D. (2020). PSREG: Stata module for blocking with regression adjustments, Statistical Software Components S458857, Boston College Dept. of Economics [\[link\]](#)

Grants and Awards

- 2022 Starting grant – Young Researcher, University of Trento (14,000€)
- 2020 VisitINPS Fellowship (granted by INPS) – competitive grant (4,000€)
- 2018 Nominee for the prize in memory of Valeria Solesin
- 2017 Unicredit & Universities UWIN Best Paper Award on Gender Economics (2,500€)
- 2016 Best PhD thesis in Economics, XVI edition, Italian Economic Association (SIE)
- 2015 Competitive grant “Progetto Professionalità”, Fond. Banca del Monte di Lombardia
- 2014 Visiting scholar scheme grant, LISER
- 2012 Three years doctoral scholarship (2012-2014), by Univ. of Torino and INPDAP
- 2012 Distinction for the M.Sc. dissertation - Premio Sassatelli, by Prov. Bologna, Oss. Provinciale Immigrazioni, Istituzione Gian Franco Minguzzi

Participation to Research Projects

- 2023 - ... **Tackling Inequalities in Educational Outcomes: Experimental Evidence from Italian Primary Schools**
Funded by Ministry of University and Research (PRIN 2022); P.I. Pietro Biroli.
- 2023 - ... **Skill mismatch and firm productivity: causes and consequences**
Funded on a competitive basis by the Dept. of Economics and Management, University of Trento; P.I. C. Tomasi.
- 2023 - ... **Evaluation of PNRR interventions in Trentino**
Funded by the Province of Trento; Coordinators E. Zaninotto, C. Tomasi.
- 2020 - 2023 PI of the project **Employment Insecurity and Fertility**
VisitINPS Research Fellowship.
- 2020 - 2021 **The COVID-19 School Closure and Learning Inequalities**
Funded by FISR - Ministry of University and Research, Fondazione CRT, Univ. of Torino, and Collegio Carlo Alberto; P.I. M.L. Di Tommaso.
- 2020 - 2021 **Study on Distributional Impact Assessment**
Funded by the European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion (Call VT/2020/002); P.I. C. Fiorio.

- 2018 - 2020 **Tackling the Math Gender Gap in Piedmont**
Funded by Univ. of Torino and Compagnia San Paolo; P.I. M.L. Di Tommaso.
- 2016 - 2018 **MENTEP – Mentoring Technology-Enhanced Pedagogy**
Funded by the European Commission - DG Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency; Programme: Erasmus+ Key Action 3 (EACEA/10/14).
- 2016 - 2017 **ICT@SCHOOL** - ICT in education Indicators Working Group.
Client: EUN Schoolnet, Bruxelles.
- 2015 - 2017 **CHILD-EXTRA-SCHOOL Children’s Spare...or Busy Time?**
Funded by University of Torino and Compagnia San Paolo; P.I. C. Pronzato.
- 2016 **The Economic Benefits of Gender Equality in the European Union**
Funded by the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE).
- 2013 - 2015 **Families And Societies** (work package 6)
Funded by the European Commission - Seventh Framework Programme;
Coordinated by Stockholm University (L. Olah); work package 6 coordinated by D. Del Boca (Univ. of Torino) and C. Monfardini (Univ. of Bologna).

Seminars, Conferences, and Workshop Presentations

- 2023 Trento Applied Micro Work-in-Progress Seminar Series; Italian Society of Economic Sociology; Euregio Economics Meeting (Innsbruck); Higher education and equality of opportunities workshop (Modena); ECINEQ.
- 2022 Collegio Carlo Alberto; Royal Economic Society (RES); Society of Economics of the Household Conference (SEHO); European Society for Population Economics Conference (ESPE); European Economic Association (EEA) congress; University of Modena-Reggio Emilia; VisitINPS seminar.
- 2021 University of Bozen; University of Firenze; JRC-Ispira; University of Torino; Society of Economics of the Household Conference (REHO); European Society for Population Economics Conference (ESPE); Counterfactual Methods for Policy Impact Evaluation (COMPIE); FBK-IRVAPP; European Association of Labour Economists Conference (EALE); Conference of the Italian Society of Economics (SIE), Collegio Carlo Alberto, University of Trento.
- 2020 University of Torino; Webinar in Gender and Family Economics (CY Cergy Paris Université); EALE/SOLE/AASLE World Conference (Labour Economics); ESPAnet Italia; Italian Association of Labour Economists Conference (AIEL); Conference of the Italian Society of Economics (SIE); *Applied Microeconomics Workshop*[†]; *Society of Economics of the Household (SEHO)*[†]; *European Population Conference*[†]. († Conference cancelled due to COVID-19).
- 2019 University of Torino; FBK-IRVAPP; Population Days (Bocconi University).
- 2018 Workshop Welfare and Unemployment Dynamics (IAB); Conference of the International Working Party on Labour Market Segmentation (IWPLMS); Conference of the Italian Society of Economics (SIE); Conference of the Italian Society of Public Economics (SIEP); Seminar INVALSI; University of Torino; Conference in Memory of Valeria Solesin, FBK-IRVAPP.
- 2017 Gender Economics workshop (Bocconi university); European Economic Association (EEA) meeting; IZA Workshop on Gender and Family Economics; University of Innsbruck.
- 2016 University of Verona, Counterfactual Methods for Policy Impact Evaluation (COMPIE) conference, Royal Economic Society (RES) conference, University of Torino, FBK-IRVAPP.
- 2015 Brucchi Luchino Labour Economics Workshop, Italian Association of Labour Economists Conference (AIEL), International Workshop on Intergenerational Relations, Understanding Society Scientific Conference, University of Lyon, ECINEQ, Luxembourg Workshop on Household Finance and Consumption, IZA European Summer School in Labor Economics, Spring Meeting of Young Economists (SMYE).
- 2014 University of Torino, LISER, European Association of Labour Economists Conference (EALE), ISER JESS Seminar (U. Essex), European Society for Population Economics Conference (ESPE).
- 2013 Collegio Carlo Alberto, Cambridge Journal of Economics Symposium "Equal Pay, Fair Pay", University of Lyon, Dondena (Bocconi University).

Organization of workshops, seminars, and schools

2022	Joint Workshop “Gender and Education”, Collegio Carlo Alberto, University of Torino, University of Trento, and INVALSI.
2021	Joint Workshop “Gender and Mathematics”, Collegio Carlo Alberto, University of Torino, University of Trento, and INVALSI.
2021	EMiL Workshop “The Shifts and the Shocks: Education and Firms in Times of Adversity”, University of Trento.
2017-2019	FBK-IRVAPP Advanced and Basic Winter Schools Methods for Impact Evaluation
2017	FBK-IRVAPP External Seminars
2013-2015	Italian Doctoral Workshop in Empirical Economics, University of Torino and Collegio Carlo Alberto.

Teaching experience

Courses

2021 - ...	Applied Economics: Labour Market, University of Trento (M.Sc.)
2022 - ...	Laboratory: Market Analysis, University of Trento (B.Sc.)
2021 - ...	Personnel Economics, University of Trento (M.Sc.)

Teaching Assistantship

2018	Quantitative Methods Lab, University of Trento (M.A.)
2018	International Economic Policy, University of Trento (B.A.)
2016	Macroeconomics, University of Torino (B.A.)
2015	Econometrics, Collegio Carlo Alberto (M.Sc.)

Lectures

2022	The Gender Wage Gap in Italy, Undergraduate Business Excellence Studies (<i>Percorso Didattico di Eccellenza, PDE</i>), University of Trento (B.A.)
2018	Decomposing the Gender Wage Gap, Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory, University of Verona (Ph.D.)
2016	Gender Wage Gap and Discrimination, University of Torino (B.A. and M.Sc.)
2015	Difference-in-Difference: An Application, University of Torino (M.Sc.)
2015	Gender-based Violence: An Economic Perspective, Collegio Carlo Alberto (M.Sc.) held on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

Other Academic Activities and Institutional Responsibilities

- Reviewer for: *Applied Economics Letters, B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Demography, Economia Politica, Economic Systems, Economics of Education Review, Education Economics, Empirical Economics, European Journal of Population, European Journal of Comparative Economics, Feminist Economics, Genus, International Journal of Manpower, Italian Economic Journal, Journal of Economic Inequality, Journal of Family and Economic Issues, Journal of Human Capital, Journal of Income Distribution, Journal of Management & Organization, Journal of Population Economics, Labour Economics, LABOUR, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, PLOS One, Regional Studies, Review of Economics of the Household, SINAPPSI, Social Indicators Research.*
- Invited discussant: *Gender Economics Workshop*, Bank of Italy (2021)
- Co-supervisor of 1 post-doc researcher, University of Trento
- Supervisor of 9 students, Master thesis, University of Trento
- Supervisor of 6 students, Bachelor thesis, University of Trento
- Academic supervisor for the internship of 5 Master students, University of Trento
- Member of the scientific committee, PhD thesis award Andrea Vaona, Univ. of Trento and Univ. of Verona (2022)
- External examiner of 1 PhD thesis, University of Siena (2020)
- Host organization’s supervisor for the internship of 1 master student, FBK-IRVAPP (2020)

Dissemination activities (*Terza missione*)

Organization of public meetings and presentations

- 2023 Participation as a presenter to the Festival della famiglia, Trento.
- 2023 Teacher training for high school professors on female labour force participation (*Donne e lavoro. La rivoluzione silenziosa*), within the training course *Economia del Novecento e oltre*, Trento.
- 2023 Member of the organizing committee of the series of meetings *Oltre le barriere. Come le differenze influenzano l'economia e le organizzazioni*, Dept. of Economics and Management, University of Trento. Within the same series, presenter at a meeting on gender differences in STEM and economics (*Divari di genere in STEM ed Economia: scelte di istruzione e ricadute lavorative*).
- 2022 Participation as a presenter to the Festival Internazionale dell'Economia, Torino.
- 2022 Participation as a presenter to the series of meetings *Il DEM incontra gli studenti*, with a presentation on female labour force participation (*Cosa frena l'ingresso delle donne nel mondo del lavoro*), Dept. of Economics and Management, University of Trento.

Media coverage

- 2022 Participation to Rai Radio 1 Trento program *Alla sorgente del sapere* (interview related to the project on skill mismatch)
- 2015 - ... Contributor for LaVoce.info, InGenere.it, La 27esima Ora (Corriere.it)
- 2012 - ... Interviews on radio programs and newspapers (among others, Washington Post, Huffington Post, Time, Internazionale, Pagina99, Radio Articolo Uno - CGIL, GiuntiScuola, Dire Agenzia)

Languages and Technical Skills

Italian (native), English (fluent), French (fluent; DALF-C1)
STATA (advanced), Latex (working knowledge)

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