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Areas of interest

Psychology of thinking and reasoning
Counterfactual thinking & Mental simulation
Non-instrumental information seeking

Research positions

Postdoctoral research associate (2023 – ongoing)
Center for Mind/Brain Sciences (CIMEC) – University of Trento (Italy)
Advisor: Katya Tentori
Project: “Reasoning with hypotheses: Integrating logical, probabilistic, and experimental perspectives”

Education

PhD in Cognitive and Brain Sciences (2019 – 2023)
Center for Mind/Brain Sciences (CIMEC), University of Trento (Italy)
Project: “Determinants and functions of counterfactual thinking”
(Supervisors: Stefania Pighin, Katya Tentori)

Master’s Degree in Applied Experimental Psychological Sciences (2017 – 2019)

Department of Psychology, University of Milano-Bicocca (Italy)
Thesis: “Psychological agent-based models: Integrating psychological variables to improve models of flood risk estimation” (Supervisor: Simona Sacchi)

Bachelor’s Degree in Scienze e Tecniche Psicologiche (2014 – 2017)

Department of Psychology, University of Milano-Bicocca (Italy)
Thesis: “Irony comprehension: The role of theory of mind and grammatical competence”
(Supervisor: Francesca Panzeri)

Publications

- **Bogani, A.**, & Pighin, S. (2024). The geography of counterfactual thinking: Cultural differences in the experience of regret. *Giornale italiano di psicologia*, 2/2024, 309-314, doi: 10.1421/113574
- Faccenda, G.*, **Bogani, A.***, & Sacchi, S. (2024). Agent-based models for climate change: The contribution of psychological research. *Sistemi Intelligenti*, early access, doi: 10.1422/113334
- **Bogani, A.**, Tentori, K., Ferrante, D., & Pighin, S. (2024). Counterfactual thoughts in complex causal domain: content, benefits, and implications for their function. *Thinking & Reasoning*, 1–36. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13546783.2024.2343455>
- Pighin, S., **Bogani, A.**, Castro Davalos, G. B., Savadori, L. (2024). The effect of the 1-in-X numerical format on choices. *Journal of Behavioral Decision Making*, 37(1), e2355. <https://doi.org/10.1002/bdm.2355>
- **Bogani, A.***, Faccenda, G.*, Riva, P., Richetin, J., Pancani, L., Sacchi, S. (2023). The near-miss effect in flood risk estimation: A survey-based approach to model private mitigation intentions into agent-based models. *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction*, 89. [* shared first authorship]
- **Bogani, A.**, Tentori, K., Ferrante, D., Pighin, S. (2022). The function of counterfactual thinking: State of the art and perspectives. *Sistemi Intelligenti*, 34(2), 253-269, doi: 10.1422/105039.

Conferences

Oral presentations

- **Bogani, A.**, Tentori, K., Timberlake, B., Pighin, S. (June 2024). Non-instrumental counterfactual information-seeking in younger and older adults. *International Conference on Thinking 2024 (ICT2024)*, Milan (Italy).
- **Bogani, A.**, Caponio, A., Tentori, K., Timberlake, B., Pighin, S. (May 2024). Il pensiero controfattuale aumenta la colpevolizzazione delle vittime di incidenti. *Giornata sul Pensiero*, Messina (Italy).
- Tentori, K., Crupi, V., Dragone, P., **Bogani, A.**, Passerini, A. (May 2024). How should we measure forecast accuracy? Combining Formal Models and Human Intuition for new Cutting-Edge Scoring Rules. *Giornata sul Pensiero*, Messina (Italy).
- **Bogani, A.**, Caponio, A., Tentori, K., Timberlake, B., Pighin, S. (December 2023). Amplified victim blaming for blameless individuals: The impact of counterfactual thinking in younger and older adults. *19th Annual Conference of the Italian Association of Cognitive Science (AISC)*, Genova (Italy).
- **Bogani, A.**, Caponio, A., Tentori, K., Timberlake, B., Pighin, S. (September 2023). Effects of aging and counterfactual thinking on victim blaming. *XXIX Congresso dell'associazione Italiana di Psicologia (AIP) – Sezione Sperimentale*, Lucca (Italy).
- Pighin, S., **Bogani, A.**, Castro Davalos, G. B., Savadori, L. (September 2023). Choosing between risk and certainty: the 1-in-x effect on choices. *23rd Conference of the European Society of Cognitive Psychology (ESGOP)*, Porto (Portugal).

- **Bogani, A.**, Tentori, K., Timberlake, B., Pighin, S. (August 2023). Investigating age-related differences in counterfactual curiosity. *Subjective Probability Utility and Decision Making (SPUDM) 2023*, Vienna (Austria).
- **Bogani, A.**, Tentori, K., Timberlake, B., Pighin, S. (December 2022). Counterfactual curiosity and aging. *18th Annual Conference of the Italian Association of Cognitive Science (AISC)*, Rovereto (Italy).
- **Bogani, A.**, Tentori, K., Ferrante, D., Pighin, S. (September 2022). To what extent does counterfactual thinking prepare us for the future? *XXX Congresso dell'Associazione Italiana di Psicologia (AIP)*, Padova (Italy).
- **Bogani, A.**, Tentori, K., Ferrante, D., Pighin, S. (December 2021). To what extent does counterfactual thinking prepare us for the future? *17th Annual Conference of the Italian Association of Cognitive Science (AISC)*, Noto (Italy).
- **Bogani, A.**, Tentori, K., Ferrante, D., Pighin, S. (July 2021). To what extent does counterfactual thinking prepare us for the future? *Cognitive Science Arena*, Online

Poster presentations

- Savadori, L., **Bogani, A.**, Castro Davalos, G., Pighin, S. (November, 2023). Beyond hypothetical scenarios: Investigating the influence of the 1-in-X numerical format on actual choices. Society for Judgment and Decision Making – *Annual Conference 2023*, San Francisco (USA).
- **Bogani, A.**, Tentori, K., Ferrante, D., Pighin, S. (February 2023). Il pensiero controfattuale aiuta a prepararci per il futuro? *Giornata sul Pensiero*, Messina (Italy).
- Giustolisi, B., **Bogani, A.**, Panzeri, F. (September 2017). Irony comprehension from 4 to 9: The role of language and theory of mind. *13th Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition Conference*, Palma de Mallorca (Spain)

Events organized

- 18th Annual Conference of the Italian Association of Cognitive Science, *Italian Association of Cognitive Sciences* (Dec. 15-17, 2022 – Rovereto, Italy)
- CIMeC Career Fair, *CIMeC - University of Trento* (May 18, 2022 – Trento, Italy)
- Doctoral Student's Day, *CIMeC - University of Trento* (Jan. 28, 2021 – Rovereto, Italy)

Reviewing activity for academic journals

Psicologia Sociale – Social Psychology Theory & Research

Scientific societies membership

- Associazione Italiana di Scienze Cognitive (AISC)
- Associazione Italiana di Psicologia (AIP) - Sezione Sperimentale
- European Association for Decision Making (EADM)