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CURRENT POSITION

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Milano Bicocca (since 2007)

Member of the Coordination Committee, Poverty and Development Research Unit, Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano(LdA), Milan

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Development economics
Labor Migration
Economics of the Family
Applied microeconomics

EDUCATION

2006 Fall Visiting Scholar, Department of Economics, New York University, NY
2005 Ph.D. in Economics, University of Milan- Thesis: "Technology Adoption and Migration in Rural Households in Developing Countries".
2002 MA in Development Economics
University of Sussex, UK
2000 "Laurea" in Economics and Social Sciences
Bocconi University, Milan
1998 Spring Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Santiago de Chile
Exchange Student Program

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2009- Member of the Research Team of the World Bank Project on "Migration and Labor Market Outcomes in Sending and Southern Receiving Countries" (Project Coordinator: G.Peri, UC Davis)
2008 Fall Visitor at the Tinbergen Institute, Amsterdam
2008 Coordinator of the LdA Project "Migration and Community Participation in Mozambique"- Fieldwork and household survey design, Summer 2008.
2006-2009 Marie Curie Research Training Network "TOM - Transnationality of Migrants"
Member of LdA research team
2003-2008 The World Bank, consultant for the Development Research Group and Human Development Unit
2007 February Guest Researcher, IZA, Bonn
2005-2006 Post Doc Fellow, University of Milano-Bicocca, Dept. of Law and Economics
2005-2006 Consultant, FAO, Agricultural and Development Economics Division (ESA)
1999 Summer Internship, UN - Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), Santiago de Chile.

PUBLICATIONS

"Social determinants of labor market status of ethnic minorities in Britain" (2009) (with Martin Kahanec), *Research in Labor Economics*, 29, 167-195, 2009.
"Migration and Technological Change in Rural Households: Complements or Substitutes?", *Journal of Development Economics*, 85 (1-2) 150-175, 2008.

"Agricultural technology adoption and poverty reduction: a propensity-score matching analysis for rural Bangladesh", *Food Policy*, 2, 372-393, 2007.

"Farm Households Production Theories: a Review of 'Institutional' and 'Behavioural' responses", *Asian Development Review*, vol. 24 (1), 2007.

"Rural out-migration and economic development at origin. What do we know?", *Journal of International Development*, forthcoming.

Summary of the Thesis: 'Technology Adoption and Migration in Rural Households in Developing Countries', *Rivista Italiana degli Economisti*, N.1, 2006.

"Le scelte di produzione delle famiglie contadine: aspetti istituzionali e comportamentali nella teoria economica", *QA -La Questione Agraria*, N.2, 2006.

WORKING PAPERS

"Labor Migration and Social Network Participation: Evidence from Southern Mozambique" (with J.M.Gallego), *Studi Luca d'Agliano Development Working Papers* N. 279, 2009.

"International migration and child labor in LDCs" (with J.M.Gallego), mimeo 2009.

"Migration and Development: African profiles and Challenges for Future Research", *Paper Commissioned by the Human Sciences Research Council of South Africa* (2009).

"International migration and gender differentials in the home labor market: evidence from Albania" (with G. Carletto), *Policy Research Working Paper Series 4900*, The World Bank & Working Paper n. 148, Economics Department, University of Milan Bicocca (2008)

"Impoverishment effects of the health care system: Evidence from the Western Balkans" (2007)(with C. Bredenkamp and M. Gragnolati), *Policy Research Working Paper Series 4444*, *The World Bank*.

BOOK REVIEWS

Hanlon, J. and Smart, T. *Do Bicycles Equal Development in Mozambique?* Oxford: James Currey 2008, in *QA/La Questione Agraria*, n.1 (2009).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2009 - University of Milan Bicocca- Development Economics (graduate)
2007 - to date University of Milan Bicocca- Economics of Global Markets (undergraduate)
2005 - 2008 Master in Human Development and Food Security, University of Roma-Tre, Instructor
2005, 2008 Master in Microfinance, University of Bergamo - Fondazione "Giordano Dell'Amore - CIPSI, Instructor.
2005 ISPI - Winter School 'Poverty and Development', Milan, Instructor
2002 - 2005 University of Milan, Teaching assistant in Microeconomics
2002 - 2004 Bocconi University, Teaching assistant in Public Economics and Political Economy.

NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2001 Consultant. Planning of a micro-credit project in Montevideo, Uruguay - CESVI (NGO)
2000 - 2001 Project officer. Coordination of field projects in Latin America, CESVI (NGO), Bergamo, Italy
2000 Volunteer. Economic and financial evaluation of a rural development project in Srpska Republic, Banja Luka, Bosnia Erzegovina - CESVI (NGO)

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Italian Economic Association Award (PREMIO SIE) for the best Doctoral Dissertation in Economics (2005)

University of Milan, graduate scholarship (2001-2005)

Fondazione Roberto Franceschi, award fellowship for the undergraduate dissertation "Economic Growth and Income Distribution: the Chilean Case" (2000)

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

- 2009 NEUDC Conference, Tufts University, MA, US
European Society of Population Economics (ESPE) Conference, Sevilla, Spain.
DIME International Conference on the Formation and the Evolution of Social and Economic Networks, Paris, France.
IZA/World Bank Conference on Employment and Development, Bonn, Germany.
CSAE Conference on Economic Development in Africa, St Catherine's College, Oxford, UK.
II CEPR Conference on "Transnationality of Migrants", Université Catholique de Louvain, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium.
- 2007 International Conference on Comparative Development, Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi, India.
- 2006 Workshop on "The Economics of Diversity, Migration, and Culture", University of Bologna, Italy.
First IZA/World Bank Conference "Employment and Development", Berlin, Germany
- 2005 Northeast Universities Development Consortium Conference (NEUDC), Brown University, Providence, USA.
II IZA Annual Migration Meeting, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA.
FAO, Agricultural and Development Economic Division, Rome, Italy.
Xth Spring Meeting of Young Economists (SMYE), The Graduate Institute of International Studies (HEI), Geneva, Switzerland.
- 2003 1st PhD Conference "Research in Economics - Aims and Methodologies" University of Siena, Italy.

ORGANIZED CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

- 2009 First Workshop on "Migration and Economic Development: Insights from original data collection and fieldworks", Villa Il Poggiale, San Casciano Val Di Pesa (Chianti), Italy
- 2008 II "Riccardo Faini" Doctoral Conference on Development Economics, University of Milan, Palazzo Feltrinelli (Gargnano), Italy
- 2007 First "Riccardo Faini" Doctoral Conference on Development Economics, University of Milan, Palazzo Feltrinelli (Gargnano), Italy
- 2007 '*Debating*' Seminars "Research methods in economics: interdisciplinary approaches", Graduate School in Social, Economic and Political Sciences, University of Milan, Italy
- 2006 XIth Spring Meeting of Young Economists (SMYE), University Pablo de Olavide and University of Seville, Siviglia, Spain (member of the Program Committee).
- 2005 2nd PhD International Conference in "Research in Economics - Aims and Methodologies", University of Pavia, Italy

SUMMER SCHOOLS

- 2006 'Inequality, Poverty and Development: the Role of Markets and Institutions', Università di Verona, Alba di Canazei (Trento)
- 2004 'The Microeconomic Effects Of Trade and Trade Policy: The Perspective Of Developing Countries', CEPR, Centro Studi "Luca D'Agliano" and University of Milan, Palazzo Feltrinelli, Gargnano (BS)- Italy
- 2003 'Political Economy of Trade Policy and Development: Theories and Institutions', CEPR, Centro Studi "Luca D'Agliano" and University of Milan, Palazzo Feltrinelli, Gargnano (BS)- Italy

2003 14th Residential Course in Econometrics for Ph.D Student, CIDE - Inter University Centre for Econometrics, Bertinoro (Forli,) Italy

LANGUAGES

Italian (native), English and Spanish (fluent), Portuguese (fair)

PERSONAL

Birthdate: December 28th, 1975

Citizenship: Italian