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FIELDS

Primary: Applied Microeconomics, Health Economics

Secondary: Gender Economics, Family Economics

RESEARCH TOPICS

Gender violence, gender harassment, femicide, gender inequalities in time use and the labor market.

CURRENT POSITION

University of Bologna, Department of Economics

Postdoctoral Researcher

2023 – current

MEMBERSHIP OF RESEARCH CENTERS, INSTITUTES OR COLLEGES

Bocconi University, Axa Gender Lab

Visiting Researcher

2022 – 2023

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Social Sciences, European University Institute

November 2023

M.Res. Public Policy and Social Change, Collegio Carlo Alberto

June 2019

M.Sc. Economics, University of Bergamo

October 2018

PROJECTS



TIMES : A time-use observatory on young couples

(with Francesca Barigozzi, Pietro Biroli, Margherita Fort, Chiara Monfardini & Natalia Montinari)

TIMES is a project dedicated to addressing the challenges that time introduces into family dynamics to provide support for informed policy decisions. The main goal of the project is to understand through a survey, time diaries, and survey experiments the division of tasks within couples, considering household chores, childcare, family organization, work, and career. TIMES places the concept of time at the center: both as a limited resource to be allocated to daily activities and as an era of change and evolution.



Building awareness

In this project (Randomized Control Trial), I aim to test the effectiveness of a unique program that aims to build awareness and develop skills to recognize and mitigate gender violence in primary and middle school children.



Understanding key barriers to Female Labor Force Participation: Sexual Harassment in Workplace (with M Niaz Asadullah & Elisabetta De Cao)

The study aims to assess the prevalence of workplace sexual harassment in emerging sectors in Bangladesh, identify the factors that lead to its occurrence, and examine the impact on the mental health and working performance of those affected. Importantly the study seeks to identify legislative, policy and program interventions that could help address sexual harassment in the workplace. In particular, the study furthers our understanding of the existing formal and informal preventive and mitigation measures against workplace sexual harassment by evaluating and implementing programs that could help reduce workplace-related sexual harassment.

PUBLICATIONS

Pisanelli, Elena. “Your resume is your gatekeeper: Automated resume screening as a strategy to reduce gender gaps in hiring”. **Economics Letters**, 221 (2022): 110892.

WORKING PAPERS

“Domestic violence, divorce and help-seeking”. Available at: Quaderni - Working Paper DSE (1195). ISSN 2282-6483, **R&R at Italian Economic Journal**.

“Foreign Aid and Intimate Partner Violence: Evidence from Ethiopia” with A. Adera, O. Ben Salha and P. Buonanno. *Under Review*.

“A Tale of Two: When Gender Equality and Efficiency Go Hand in Hand”. *Under Review*.

“Biased Employers Choices in AI-driven scenarios” with A. Schram.

REFEREEING

Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization.

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

European University Institute Research Funds (€1.900)

European University Institute Ph.D. Grant, August 2022 – November 2023

Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs Ph.D. Grant, September 2019 – August 2022

TEACHING ACTIVITY

Applied Statistics, Collegio Carlo Alberto, graduate level course, M.A. Allievi Honors Program	From 2021 to 2023
Introduction to Quantitative Methods, European University Institute, graduate level course, Ph.D.	Fall 2020

STUDENTS MENTORING

Matilde Penna, Predoctoral Researcher, University of Bologna.	From June 2024.
Elisa Mahfouz, Ph.D. Student in Economics, University of Bologna.	From January 2024.

COORDINATION OF ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Organizer of the session on Workplace Gender Harassment at the 65th meeting of Italian Economic Society

SELECTED CONFERENCES PRESENTATIONS

Health Economics of Risky Behaviors - HERB (2024), EALE (2023), AIEL (2023), Joint Political Economy and Applied Microeconomics Workshop (2022), 20th “Brucchi Luchino” Labor Economics Workshop (2022), 37th meeting of the European Economic Association (2022)