

Giulio Benedetti

ABOUT ME

Informality and migration in the post-Soviet space. My research explores the changing migration infrastructures connecting Central Asia to old and new destinations, with a particular focus on the role of migration intermediaries.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Consultant

Federal Government Commissioner for Migration, Refugees, and Integration [01/01/2025 – Current]

Country: Germany

I am conducting a study on the working conditions in international road transport in Germany, with a particular focus on the challenges faced by seconded and migrant workers.

Doctoral researcher

Stockholm School of Economics in Riga [01/02/2021 – 31/01/2025]

City: Riga | Country: Latvia

I conducted my research in affiliation with Maastricht University (Maastricht, Netherlands), within the framework of the Innovative Training Network (ITN) "MARKETS: Mapping Uncertainties, Challenges and Future Opportunities of Emerging Markets - Informal Barriers, Business Environments and Future Trends in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia" (H2020-MSCA-RISE-2020-Markets, grant no: 861034).

Associate Research Fellow

OSCE Academy [01/07/2023 – 30/11/2024]

City: Bishkek | Country: Kyrgyzstan

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Master's degree 'Comparative Politics of Eurasia'

Higher School of Economics [15/09/2017 – 10/06/2019]

City: Saint Petersburg | Country: Russia | Level in EQF: EQF level 7

Thesis: "Natural gas and Ukrainian politics before and after 2014"

Affiliate Student - Erasmus+

University College London [15/09/2018 – 15/12/2018]

City: London | Country: United Kingdom | Level in EQF: EQF level 7

I focused on informality and the social orders of access, and on natural resources and institutions in the post-Soviet area, in particular Russia, Ukraine, and Azerbaijan.

Bachelor's degree - Political Science and International Relations

Università degli Studi di Padova [15/09/2011 – 15/11/2015]

City: Padova | Country: Italy | Level in EQF: EQF level 6

Thesis: "Ukraine: a fault war. The role of social capital and political culture"

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): Italian

Other language(s):

English

LISTENING C1 READING C1 WRITING C1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION C1 SPOKEN INTERACTION C1

Russian

LISTENING B2 READING B2 WRITING B2

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B2 SPOKEN INTERACTION B2

French

LISTENING B2 READING B2 WRITING B2

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B2 SPOKEN INTERACTION B2

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

PUBLICATIONS

Publications

Chapters in edited volumes:

Benedetti (2024) Paga globale. In: Ledeneva, A. (2024). *The Global Encyclopaedia of Informality, Volume 3: A hitchhiker’s guide to informal problem-solving in human life* (Vol. 3). UCL Press.

Benedetti (2024) Cassa peota. In: Ledeneva, A. (2024). *The Global Encyclopaedia of Informality, Volume 3: A hitchhiker’s guide to informal problem-solving in human life* (Vol. 3). UCL Press.

Latest press contributions and policy papers:

Benedetti (2024). *Driving change: ensuring fair treatment for Central Asian truck drivers in the EU*. OSCE Academy Policy Briefs.

Benedetti, G. (2023). *Dozens of truck drivers went on strike in Germany and won. Here’s how*. OpenDemocracy, June 6, 2023.

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