

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: Anwesh Chakraborty

ACADEMIC PROFILE SUMMARY

I am a sociologist with ten years of experience (PhD and postdoc periods combined) in the fields of science and technology studies and digital media studies, with special focus on digital governance in recent years. The design, affordances and use of new media technologies (by government and civil society actors) for enhancing civic participation on public interest issues and improving governance are themes that connect many of my research outputs. I am also currently associated with an international project on public attitudes towards using generative AI tools for gathering scientific information in which we are working with survey data from countries around the globe. In my future work, I would like to develop the connections between AI infrastructures, practices of information retrieval and detection of false information, as the proliferation of fake news threatens good governance and the overall credibility of media practices. While so far, I have primarily used qualitative research designs, more recently I have started to engage with computational social science methods, as I want to pursue mixed-methods research at this stage of my career.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES (AND PROJECTS)

Research Fellow at the Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna participating in the European Research Council funded project: Bottom-up initiatives and anti-corruption technologies: how citizens use ICTs to fight corruption ([BIT-ACT](#)).

10/02/2020 – 09/09/2024.

Key activities and responsibilities:

- mapping tech-driven initiatives of non-governmental and social movement actors from India and Bangladesh that work towards making public offices in their respective countries more transparent and accountable while increasing democratic participation in political decision-making.
- carrying out in-depth interviews with relevant stakeholders from the initiatives, as well as with national and international experts working in sectors dealing with corruption and transparency, digital governance, and social movements/collective action. Other types of data gathered include notes from participant observation (online and offline), internal reports of the initiatives, and social media posts (textual and visual)
- preparing academic articles and project reports drawing upon the collected empirical data
- supervising the work of two research assistants (country experts) in India and in Bangladesh.
- organizing workshops and seminars to disseminate key themes and findings of the project.

Research Fellow at the **Department of Management, University of Bologna.**

01/09/2019 – 15/01/2020

Key activities and responsibilities:

- Desk research on cultural policies at varied levels of public institutions (national, regional, and European) dealing with the question of digital transformation; as well as focus group studies carried out with major stakeholders in museums, libraries, and archives of the region of Emilia-Romagna in Italy, on the issue of digitizing cultural heritage.
- Consulted for the region and provided them with suggestions to improve their public offering as the research was funded by the region of Emilia-Romagna.

Postdoctoral researcher at the **Division of Science, Technology and Society, Department of Technology Management and Economics, Chalmers University of Technology, Gothenburg, Sweden.**

15/09/2017 to 31/08/2019

Key activities and responsibilities:

- Developed two independent research projects along with colleagues from India and Sweden that studied how gender gap in access to technologies shapes women's participation in digital societies, specifically focusing on the uptake of cashless modes of payment among Indian women; and the infrastructural limitations faced by women in producing content in Indian Wikipedia communities. The first project received an initiation grant from a Swedish funding body STINT which promotes international collaborations between Swedish and non-EU universities.
- Developed lesson plans, lectured, graded, and supervised students' theses both at undergraduate and graduate levels.

PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH PROJECTS

Associated Researcher on the project, '**Sci-AI: Searching information about science with AI technologies**', led by an international team headed by Lars Guenther, University of Hamburg and Esther Greussing, University of Braunschweig.

May 2023 – ongoing

Key activities and responsibilities:

- Giving inputs to designing a Qualtrics survey created to measure people's understanding of AI as a search tool.
- Country co in-charge for India for the project
- Contributions to the analytical findings and writing of the paper submitted to *Public Understanding of Science*.

Associated Researcher working with a team of international science communication experts on '**science communication and the question of expertise during the COVID-19 pandemic**'.

March 2020 to September 2022.

Key activities and responsibilities:

- Gathered daily data from Indian and Italian news platforms on the emerging topics during the pandemic in these two countries.
- Contributed to two academic papers on this topic.
- Participated in an intensive workshop at The Bellagio Center, Rockefeller Foundation in September 2022, to discuss the future of science communication post COVID.

ACADEMIC TITLES

Doctor of Philosophy in 'Science, Cognition and Technology' at the International Centre for the History of Universities and Science, Department of Philosophy and Communication, **University of Bologna**.

September 2013 to June 2017.

- Dissertation title: Institutional Narratives and their Role in Communication of Science and Technology: a study of public science museums and centres in India.

International Master/MSc (Laurea Magistrale) in GIOCA (Graduate Degree in the Innovation and Organization of Culture and the Arts) at the School of Economics, Management and Statistics, **University of Bologna**.

September 2011 to October 2013.

- Dissertation title: Presenting the past to the present public: an appraisal of Indian science museums.
- Result: 110/110 (con lode/with honours)

Master of Philosophy in English (specialisation in sociolinguistics), University of Hyderabad.

August 2008 to January 2010.

- Dissertation title: Indian Food (Writing) in English.
- Result: GPA 9.44/10 (with distinction)

Master of Arts, English (specialisation in literature and linguistics), University of Hyderabad.

July 2005 to May 2007.

- Result: GPA 9.37/10 (with distinction)

Bachelor of Arts, English, History and Political Science, University of Calcutta.

July 2002 to May 2005.

- Result: High Second Class with Honours in English

VISITING PERIODS

International Institute of Information Technology, Hyderabad, India between 5th and 10th November, 2023 as a lecturer delivering a talk on 'Technology and democracy' for the winter school 'Digital Technologies and Society'.

National Centre for Biological Sciences, Bangalore, India between 5th to 10th August, 2023 as a science communication expert invited to deliver talks on science and tech policies in independent India.

The Smithsonian Institution, Washington DC in June 2016, as a PhD scholar carrying out archival research on correspondences and memoranda of understandings between American and Indian science museums. The period ended with a talk at the National Museum of American history on my main research findings.

Museo della Scienza e della Tecnologia 'Leonardo da Vinci', Milan, Italy in February 2015, as a PhD scholar working with the museum staff to understand how scientific exhibitions are designed. I worked closely with the curatorial and communication staff members while they were finalizing the permanent exhibition #Foodpeople.

SUMMER SCHOOLS AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL TRAINING ACTIVITIES

Research residence at **Project Bridges** (a transdisciplinary project looking at interactions between science, society and politics through the topic of soil fertility) hosted by **National Research Council (CNR), Milan**, between 15th and 20th July, 2022.

- The project built on the European Union's frameworks on responsible research and innovation by bringing together multiple stakeholders from research institutions and civil society. The research-in-residence took place in the Piemonte region in Italy between 16th and 20th July, where a select group of Italian researchers from various disciplines deliberated on questions of citizen participation in scientific research and data production on themes that are relevant to the societal challenges the world faces today.

Participant at a summer school on **Research ethics and safety in political and social sciences**, hosted by the Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna between 20th and 24th June 2022.

- The lessons carried out at the summer school focused on conducting fieldwork in challenging environments. Hands-on sessions were held on issues such as preparing risk assessments, mitigating challenges during fieldwork, safety protocols for data gathering and storage and the question of ethics during data dissemination.

Participant at a **MAXQDA training course** between September-October 2021.

- As a member of the BIT-ACT project at the University of Bologna, I received weekly training (over a period of six weeks) in using MAXQDA for qualitative data analysis, especially applying the constructivist grounded theory approach.

European Fellow at the **Erice International School of Science Journalism** hosted by the **Italian Institute of Nuclear Physics (INFN)** at Erice between 1st and 6th July, 2017.

- The annual summer school is dedicated to discussing the current concerns of dissemination of scientific research. The specific theme for the 2017 summer school was "Unveiling the Universe: when science hits the news".

PEER-REVIEWED RESEARCH OUTPUTS

SPECIAL ISSUE

Sam, JS, **Chakraborty, A.**, and Srinivasan, J. (2021) Editorial: Cashlessness in India: Vision, policy and practices. *Telecommunications Policy* 45 (8), 102169. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.telpol.2021.102169> . (Classe A in settore concorsuali 14/C2)

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Chakraborty, A. and Kubbe, I. (forthcoming) Improving transparency in service delivery to fight corruption? Mapping multi-stakeholder voices on digitisation in the Indian public healthcare sector. *American Behavioral Scientist*. (Classe A in settore concorsuali 14/C2, 14/A2)

Kankaria, S. and **Chakraborty, A.** (2024). Scientific temper: towards an alternate model of sciencesociety relationships. *Journal of Science Communication*, 23(04), Y03. <https://doi.org/10.22323/2.23040403> (Recognised by ANVUR as scientific journal for Area 14)

Chakraborty, A. and Mattoni, A. (2023). Addressing Corruption through Visual Tools in India: the case of three civil society initiatives and their Facebook pages. *Visual Studies*, ahead of print. DOI: [10.1080/1472586X.2023.2239759](https://doi.org/10.1080/1472586X.2023.2239759) (Recognised by ANVUR as scientific journal for Area 14)

Chakraborty, A. and Pandey, P. (2023). Constructing 'Responsive' Publics: the politics of public engagement under India's 'Decade of Innovation' framework. *Asian Studies Review*, ahead of print. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10357823.2023.2226818> (Classe A in settore concorsuali 14/A2)

Chakraborty, A. & Mattoni, A. (2023). Social Media Outrage against Fake COVID Tests: Decoding an instance of flash activism in Bangladesh. *Sociologica*, 17(1), 77–89. <https://doi.org/10.6092/issn.1971-8853/16960> (Classe A in settore concorsuali 14/C2)

Joubert, M., Guenther, L., Metcalfe, J., Riedlinger, M., **Chakraborty, A.**, Gascoigne, T., Schiele, B., Baram-Tsabari, A., Malkov, D., Fattorini, E., Revuelta, G., Barata, G., Riise, J., Schröder, J. T., Horst, M., Kaseje, M., Kirsten, M., Bauer, M. W., Bucchi, M., Flores, N., Wolfson, O. and Chen, T. (2023). 'Pandem-icons' — exploring the characteristics of highly visible scientists during the Covid-19 pandemic. *JCOM* 22(01), A04. <https://doi.org/10.22323/2.22010204> (Recognised by ANVUR as scientific journal for Area 14)

Sam, JS, Ray, R and **Chakraborty, A.** (2022). Digital Payments on the Agenda: How Indian actor groups framed cash and digital payments during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Asian Studies Review*, ahead of print. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10357823.2022.2063253> (Classe A in settore concorsuali 14/A2)

Chakraborty, A. & Hussain, N. (2022). Documenting Gender Gap in Indian Wikipedia Communities: findings from a qualitative pilot study. *First Monday*, 27(3), <https://doi.org/10.5210/fm.v27i3.11443> (Recognised by ANVUR as scientific journal for Area 14)

Moretti, V., & **Chakraborty, A.** (2020). Media Habits and Covid-19. Using audio-diaries technique to explore "official" information consumption. *Fuori Luogo. Rivista Di Sociologia Del Territorio, Turismo, Tecnologia*, 7(1), 97 - 104. <https://doi.org/10.6092/2723-9608/7043> (Classe A in settore concorsuali 14/C2)

Metcalfe, J., Riedlinger, M., Bauer, M. W., **Chakraborty, A.**, Gascoigne, T., Guenther, L., Joubert, M., Kaseje, M., Herrera-Lima, S., Revuelta, G., Riise, J. and Schiele, B. (2020). The COVID-19 Mirror: reflecting science-society relationships across 11 countries. *JCOM* 19 (07), A05. <https://doi.org/10.22323/2.19070205> . (Recognised by ANVUR as scientific journal for Area 14)

Sam, JS and **Chakraborty, A.** (2019). Sensemaking of Digital Money among Female Peripheral Agents: a short ethnographic study of informal workers in North India. *Sociologia del Lavoro*, 154/2019, 60-78. DOI: [10.3280/SL2019-154004](https://doi.org/10.3280/SL2019-154004) (Classe A in settore concorsuali 14/C2)

Chakraborty, A. and Giuffredi, R. (2019). Science and Technology for the People? On the framing of innovation in policy discourses in India and in EU. *Journal of Science Communication*, 18 (03), A05, <https://doi.org/10.22323/2.18030205> (Recognised by ANVUR as scientific journal for Area 14)

BOOK CHAPTERS

Chakraborty, A. (2024, forthcoming). "Curbing electoral corruption: two South Asian civil society efforts to build robust democracies". In Marcelo Sili et al (eds) *Exploring hope. Case Studies of Innovation, Change and Development in the Global South*. Emerald Publishing.

Chakraborty, A. (2024). Potentialities and Affordances of Grassroots Civic-tech Platforms as Effective Anti-corruption Tools: decoding the story of I Paid A Bribe, India. In Alice Mattoni (ed.), *Digital Media*

and Grassroots Anti-Corruption: Contexts, Platforms and Practices of Anti-Corruption Technologies Worldwide, pp.97-117. Edward Elgar Publishing.

Mattoni, A. and **Chakraborty, A.** (2023). Visual Memory in Grassroots Mobilizations: The case of the anti-corruption movement of 2011 in India. In Ann Rigney and Thomas Smits (eds.), *The Visual Memory of Protest*, pp.159-180. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press.

Kankaria, S., **Chakraborty, A.** and Manna, A. (2023). Making Knowledge Visible: Artisans, craftsmen, printmakers and the knowledge sharing practices of 19th-century Bengal. In E. Rasekoala (ed.) *Race and Socio-cultural Inclusion in Science Communication*, pp.222-238. Bristol: Bristol University Press. <https://doi.org/10.51952/9781529226829.ch014>

Chakraborty, A., Raman, U and Thirumal, P. (2020). Tracing Science Communication in Independent India. In Toss Gascoigne et al. (eds.) *Communicating Science: A Global Perspective*, pp.371-394. Canberra: Australian National University Press.

Chakraborty, A. and Nanni, F. (2017). The Changing Digital Faces of Science Museums: diachronic analysis of museum websites. In Niels Bruegger (ed.) *Web 25: Histories from the first 25 Years of the World Wide Web*, pp.157-172. New York: Peter Lang.

DOCTORAL DISSERTATION

Chakraborty, A. (2017). *Institutional Narratives and their Role in Communication of Science and Technology: a study of Public Science museums and centres in India*. Alma Mater Studiorum Università di Bologna, Dottorato di ricerca in Science, cognition and technology, 29 Ciclo. DOI 10.6092/unibo/amsdottorato/7874.

REVIEWS

Chakraborty, A. (2018). Review of *Wikipedia, Work and Capitalism: A Realm of Freedom?* By Arwid Lund. *Internet Histories*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/24701475.2017.1415279>

Chakraborty, A. and Guagnini, A. (2016). The #FoodPeople exhibition at the Museo della Scienza e della Tecnologia, Milan. *Technology and Culture* 57(3), 649-656. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/44017447>

POPULAR SCIENCE OUTPUTS AND PUBLIC COMMUNICATION OF RESEARCH

Chakraborty, A. (2023). 'Looking inwards and researching gender gap in the Wikipedia and Wikimedia communities'. Presented at the Wiki Women's Camp, 20th to 22nd October 2023, New Delhi, organised by the Wikimedia Foundation.

Odilla, F and **Chakraborty, A.** (2021). 'Anti-Corruption Technologies in Brazil and India'. *Kickback: the global anti-corruption podcast*, Episode 61. Podcast can be accessed here: <https://soundcloud.com/kickback-gap/61-fernanda-odilla-anwesa-chakraborty-on-anti-corruption-technologies-in-brazil-and-india>

Moretti, V. and **Chakraborty, A.** (2021). Mediating Covid – Following the #. Italians and 'Biographical Continuity' Under Covid-19. *The European Sociologist* 46(2). <https://www.europeansociologist.org/issue-46-pandemic-impossibilities-vol-2/mediating-covid-following-italians-and-biographical>

Costa, E., **Chakraborty, A.**, and Massaro, M. (2019, April 4). 'Space may be the final frontier, but is it made in Hollywood's basement?' An interactive talk presented about the public reception of space research at the Gothenburg Science Festival, Sweden.

Chakraborty, A. (2020, 17 March). Reflections from Italy Under Lockdown. *Newslick*. News article can be accessed here: <https://www.newslick.in/Coronavirus-Italy-Lockdown-Japan-COVID-19>

Chakraborty, A. (2017). Divulgação científica na Índia: breve histórico. Web publication, Museo do Amanha, Rio de Janeiro. Available at: <https://museudoamanha.org.br/pt-br/artigo-divulgacao-cientifica-na-india-breve-historico>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor at American University of Rome.

July 2023.

- Designing course outline, preparing lesson plans, lecturing and grading for the undergraduate summer course titled '**Sustainable enterprise and social responsibility**' offered by the Business School of the university.

Guest lecturer at Chalmers University of Technology, Gothenburg.

November 2017 – ongoing.

- Since 2017, every year in November, I present three lectures for three Bachelor's and Master's-level courses titled '**Gender, technology and society**', '**Digital policy and economics**' and '**Digitalization and society**' offered by the Department of Technology Management and Economics at Chalmers.

Co-lecturer at Chalmers University of Technology, Gothenburg.

March 2019 to June 2019.

- I was responsible for preparing lesson plans, lecturing, grading, and supervising term papers for the graduate-level course '**Social innovation and entrepreneurship**' offered by the Department of Technology Management and Economics.

Tutor at University of Bologna.

September to November 2016.

- I created ten lessons on political communication in the English language for Master's students of Public Administration at the Department of Political and Social Sciences. The title of the course was 'Language and power in the English-speaking world'.

Co-lecturer at University of Bologna

May-June 2016.

- I delivered two lectures for the course 'Museums and scientific institutions' (main instructor: Prof. Anna Guagnini) offered to students of Laurea Magistrale in Arts Management.

THESIS SUPERVISION

- Supervision of **Bachelor's thesis** in Industrial Engineering and Management at Chalmers University of Technology on 'Translating Multinational Policies to Local Actions: How Volvo Group IT Conducts Gender Equality Work in India' between January and June 2018. Thesis submitted by Anton Green, Simon Högström, Moa Josephson, Linn Karlsson, Anna Viktorsson, Denis Yordanov (co-supervised with Malin Nordvall).
- Supervision of **Master's thesis** in Management and Economics of Innovation at Chalmers University of Technology on 'National and Organizational Culture's Impact on Information System Implementations in the Shipping Industry' between January and June 2018. Thesis submitted by Linnea Hermansson.

SELECT INVITED TALKS

- Featured speaker on the topic of democratisation of public sphere through digital technologies at the winter school on 'Digital Technology and Society' hosted by the **International Institute of Information Technology, Hyderabad, India** on 8th November, 2023.
- Invited speaker to deliver a lecture on the topic of 'The making of 'responsive publics' in Indian science museums' at the **National Centre for Biological Sciences, Bangalore, India** on 7th August, 2023.
- Expert panelist invited to speak on 'Cashlessness in India and gendered use of digital payments' hosted by the **Swedish FinLit Network** held on 2nd November 2021. Full video here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KxB16B4ZWx4>

- Invited panelist at plenary session on 'Inclusive Science Communication' at the **biennial conference** organised by the network of **Public Communication of Science and Technology**, held online between 24th to 27th May 2021.
- Invited panelist for webinar on 'COVID-19 and science communication' organized by the network of **Public Communication of Science and Technology**, held on 26 May 2020.
- Talk on 'The narrative of scientific temper and science museums in independent India: rhetoric, policies, praxis' at the **Medical Museion, Copenhagen**, 30th November 2017.
- Talk on 'A scientifically astute society for the future: heritage perspectives in Indian science museums', at the Weekly Colloquium of **National Museum of American History, Smithsonian**, 7th June 2016.

SELECT CONFERENCE CHAIRS AND PRESENTATIONS (LAST FIVE YEARS)

- Paper titled 'Improving transparency in service delivery to fight corruption: Mapping conversations around digitisation in the Indian public healthcare sector' presented by co-author at the **4th Anti-Corruption Academic Symposium of the United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC)**, Atlanta, 9th and 10th December 2023.
- **Co-chair** of a panel on 'Unpacking (anti) corruption in the Global South' at **European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)** conference, Prague from 4th to 8th September 2023. **Presented** a paper on the same panel titled 'Can civil society organisations 'afford' to confront corruption? Analysing the design and intended use of three Indian digital anti-corruption platforms'.
- **Co-chair** of a panel on 'Unpacking the entanglements of governance with technoscience: Is it an 'interesting' challenge in addressing good governance?' at **STS Italia**, Bologna, held from 28th to 30th June 2023. **Presented** a paper on the same panel titled 'How civil society organisations can 'afford' to discuss corruption: analysing three Indian digital initiatives'.
- **Presented** a paper titled 'Affordances of grassroots civic tech platforms against corruption in India' at **Society for the Social Studies of Science (4S)**, Cholula, Mexico held from 7th to 10th December 2022.
- **Presented** a paper, co-authored with Muiyen Z. Chowdhury, titled 'Social media outrage against fake COVID tests: Corruption and contentious politics during the ongoing pandemic in Bangladesh' at **European Consortium of Political Research**, held between 30th August to 3rd September, 2021, virtually due to COVID-19 restrictions.
- **Co-organized** a panel on 'What is a Cashless Society?: Interrogating access, stakeholders and practices' at **STS Italia**, held from 15th to 17th June 2021 virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- **Presented** a paper, co-authored with Ina Kubbe, titled 'Exploring the role of technology in fighting corruption in the Indian healthcare sector' at **ECPR Joint Sessions**, held between 17th and 28th May 2021, virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **Presented** a poster on 'Science Communication and Social LCA: Can the twain meet? Initial findings from an Oatly study' (co-authored with Professors Henrikke Baumann and Martin Hultman of Chalmers University of Technology, Gothenburg) at the 7th international conference on **Social Life Cycle Assessment**, Gothenburg, Sweden held from 15th June to 17th June 2020. Participated online due to COVID-related travel restrictions. Conference proceedings accessible here: <https://research.chalmers.se/en/publication/517543>
- **Presented** a paper co-authored with Rita Giuffredi, titled 'Science and technology for the people? On the framing of innovation in policy discourses in India and in EU' at the **European Sociologies of Knowledge. Traditions, Exchanges, Perspectives Conference** of the European Sociological Association, held on 30th and 31st August, 2018.
- **Presented** a paper on 'The evolution of public-scientists: how Indian science museums are creating grassroots innovators' at **STS Italia**, Padova, held from 14th June to 16th June 2018.

EDITORSHIP AND REVIEW ACTIVITIES

- **Review Editor** for *Frontiers in Communication* (Science and Environmental Communication section)
- **Reviewer** for the following journals: *American Behavioral Scientist*, *Telecommunications Policy*, *Journal of Science Communication*, *Public Understanding of Science*, *International Journal of Press/Politics*, *Social Movement Studies*, *Social Media + Society*

LEADERSHIP ROLES AND ORGANIZATIONAL CAPABILITIES

- **Communication Officer** of the Political Communication section, **International Association of Media and Communication Research (IAMCR)** from January 2024. Previously, **editor** of the section's **newsletter** from April 2022 to February 2023.
- Member of **core organization committee** of the 2024 annual conference of the **Interdisciplinary Corruption Research Network**. Part of the grant-writing, evaluation and program committees.
- **Co-organizer** of **post-doc seminars**, to be held from February 2024 onwards, at the Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna.
- **Co-organizer** of **BIT-ACT Advisory Board Meeting**, held between 12th and 14th December, 2023, at the University of Bologna.
- **Representative** of **Research Fellows**, Department of Political and Social Sciences, **University of Bologna** from January 2023.

- Co-organizer of BIT-ACT seminar series, held online between October 2020 and June 2021.
- Organized and chaired multiple Italian and international conference panels from 2021.

SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

- **Wellcome Trust Bursary** for attending the Public Communication of Science and Technology Conference held between 24th and 27th May, 2021.
- **Chalmers University Research Grant 2019** for conference abroad. Sum: 15000 Swedish Krona.
- **STINT (Swedish) Initiation Grant 2018**. Project: Sensemaking of digital money among Indian women. Co-PI. Sum: 148.000 Swedish Krona
- **STS Italia Conference grant** to attend STS Italia, Padova between the 14th and 16th of June 2018.
- **European Fellowship** to attend International Summer School of Science Journalism in Erice, Italy from 1st to 6th July 2017
- **PCST Conference grant** to attend Public Communication of Science and Technology conference in Istanbul, 26th to 28th April 2016.
- **Brains-in Fellowship** at the **Institute of Advanced Studies (Scuola Superiore)**, University of Bologna from **January 2014 to December 2016**: Lodging fellowship for three years during the period of doctoral research.
- **University of Bologna-Italian Ministry of Education Scholarship** for doctoral studies at Department of Philosophy and Communication, University of Bologna from **October 2013 to September 2016**. Sum: 36000 Euros
- **Italian Government (Ministry of External Affairs) Scholarship** for study in Economics and Management at the University of Bologna, from **September 2011 to August 2013**. Sum: free tuition (about 8000 Euros approx.) and 12600 Euros for living expenses
- **Oxford-IFMR, Exeter College Scholarship** to pursue MSc in Contemporary India/Area Studies at the University of Oxford from **October 2011 to June 2012 (declined in favour of Italian government scholarship)**. Sum: 29000 GBP (approx.)

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Bengali (mother tongue)
- English (reading, writing, speaking): bilingual proficiency
- Italian (reading, writing, speaking): advanced
- Hindi (reading, writing, speaking): advanced

KNOWLEDGE OF SOFTWARE

- Excellent knowledge of MAXQDA and MS Office.
- Good knowledge of web-scraping and web-ontology tools such as Octoparse and Protégé.
- Good knowledge of NVIVO.
- Good knowledge of Adobe InDesign (publishing and page designing software)
- Basic knowledge of STATA.

WORK EXPERIENCE (OUTSIDE ACADEMIA)

- **Freelance author** associated with **Viva Education, New Delhi** between July 2011 and March 2013. I wrote three English language textbooks for secondary school students in India and South Asia.
- **Sub-editor, Apollo Hospitals Group Communications Department (Hyderabad, India)** between December 2010 and June 2011. I copy-edited the Group's magazines on medicine, health and lifestyle. I was also in charge of creating the bi-weekly newsletter.
- **Senior Desk Editor, Cambridge University Press India, Hyderabad, India** between May 2007 and September 2010. I worked on copy editing, proofreading and re-writing English language textbooks for primary, secondary and tertiary education. I was also responsible for liaising with writers, illustrators and the sales and marketing team of the Press.