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## Education

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**2017 – 2021 PhD in Quantitative Methods for Economic Policy** obtained at the Department of Economics and Law of the **University of Macerata**, Macerata (Italy).  
Thesis Title: ECB's Spillovers of unconventional monetary policies in Nordic countries.

**2014-2017 Master of Science in Finance** obtained at the Department of Finance of the **University of Vlorë "Ismael Qemali"**, Vlorë (Albania).  
Thesis Title: Inefficiencies of public finances in Albania.

**2015-2016 Exchange** at the Department of Management (non-degree programme) at **University of Warsaw**, Warsaw (Poland).

**2011-2014 Bachelor in Accounting** at the Department of Finance of the **University of Vlorë "Ismael Qemali"**, Vlorë (Albania).  
Thesis Title: Pension system in Albania.

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## Appointments

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**2023-2026- Junior Track Researcher at the University of Bologna, Department of Economics**, under the supervision of **Prof. Gianluca Fiorentini**

**March/May -2024 Professional Mentor/Business Consultant** for the programme **"Diaspora Supporting Albanian Women Entrepreneurs"** organized by the **USA Embassy in Albania**

**2023- Data Manager and Analyst** at the **University of Bologna**, Department of Medical and Surgical Sciences, under the supervision of **Prof. Paolo Boffetta**

**2022-2023-Researcher** at the **University of Bologna**, Department of Agriculture and Food Sciences, under the supervision of **Prof. Matteo Vittuari**

**February/August 2021- Consultant** for the Economic and Social Development of Albanian Diaspora at General Consulate in Bari, **International Organization for Migration (IOM, UN Body)**, Bari (Italy).

**2017 – Data Coordinator** at **Gjirafa.com**, Tiranë (Albania).

**2017-Intern** at **Regional Tax Office**, Vlorë (Albania).

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## Grants and awards

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**November/2024 -Best Successful Alumni** at the University of Vlorë, Vlorë(Albania),

**October/2024-Scholar** at the University of Oxford, Health Economics and Policy Evaluation Course

**2023- Scholar** at the University of Trento for the Trento Summer School on Economics and Institutions in Europe

**2023 -Scholar** at the University of Verona for the Summer School for Spatial Health Econometrics

**2023- Scholar** at the University of Trento, (Italy) for the Summer School Axel Leijonhufvud

**2017-2021 -PhD scholar** at the **University of Macerata, Macerata, (Italy).**

**2017-2019 - Scholar** at the **University of South Wales, Wales, (UK)**

**September 2019 -Grant holder** of the 8<sup>th</sup> Seminar funded by **Bundeswehr Centre for Public Affairs** from the **Federal Ministry of Defense**, Bonn and Berlin, (Germany).

**May 2018-Scholar** at **Digital Communication Seminar by American University and American Embassy** in Bucharest, (Romania).

**September 2017-Full Funded Exchange** at **Ryan International School**, New Delhi, (India).

**June 2017-Grant holder** at **University of Warsaw**, TranSol Summer School, Warsaw, (Poland).

**October 2015-June 2016 Scholar** at **University of Warsaw**, Erasmus Mundus Sigma Agile 2 Programme, Warsaw, (Poland).

## Participation

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**February 2025 Ljubljana Doctoral Winter School 2025** -Applied Time Series Analysis and Forecasting with STATA and R at the University of Ljubljana, School of Economics and Business

**2024 Italian Health Economic Association Annual Conference 09-10 December** Fiorentini, G., Guidi, G., Matuka, A., Verzulli, R. “Monitoring severe chronic heart failure patients: Evidence from a disease management program in AUSL Romagna”

**2020 BANK OF ALBANIA 14th South-Eastern European Economic Research** Workshop Tirana, 10-11 December 2020, Money demand and interest sensitivity in India: an ARDL approach with Masudul, H., A. (Mumbai School of Economics and Public-Policy, University of Mumbai), Rafiq Hussain (School of Studies in Economics, Jiwaji University, Gwalior, India). Discussant: Altin Tanku (Bank of Albania)

**2017 University of Pristina International Students Conference- Youth Involvement in Republic of Albania and Kosovo**, <https://upisc17.wordpress.com/>

**2017 History of Success, Inspirational Speech, European Union Office** in Vlorë

## Research Experience

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**November,2019-May 2020- Visiting scholar** at the Research Center of International Economics - Barcelona Graduate School of Economics at the **University Pompeu Fabra (full funded)**, Barcelona (Spain).

**May 2019-June 2019- Visiting scholar** at the **Central Bank of Albania (full funded)**, Tiranë (Albania).

**June 2018 – Visiting Scholar** at **Levy Economics Institute of Bard College (full funded)**, New York, (USA)

## Invited Lecturer

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**2025 Workshop in Applied Economics with R -Studio** for Master Students at Faculty of Economics, Department of Finance, at the University of Vlore “Ismail Qemali”, Vlore, Albania

**2025 Workshop in Applied Economics with R -Studio** for Master and Doctoral Students at Faculty of Economics, Business and Development , at the European University of Tirana, Tirana, Albania

## Participation in Research Projects

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**DARE (National Project)**- DARE's objective is to create and develop a community, connected and distributed, that favors the adoption of technologically advanced models and solutions for surveillance, prevention, and promotion of health and health security. DARE proposes to apply innovative tools of a digital nature, both in the general population and in the risk category, contributing to the social and territorial disparity in the offer of integrated socio-sanitary services.

**GASTRIC Project (National Project)**- This project is an internal project of UNIBO in which we mainly worked on microdata, and we have studied how gastric tumor is impacted by several demographic features in a sample of patients recovered in Sant'Orsola-Malpighi Hospital from 2016 up to now.

**ORCHESTRA Project (Horizon, 2020)**- In this project, I was part of Working Package 5 in which we were working on the impact of COVID-19 on health workers all over the world and we have estimated the impact that the vaccine doses have had on the body serology level.

**BECOL Project (Horizon, 2020)**—UNIBO was the leading partner in this project, and I worked on two deliverables in Working Package 6 related to Final Exploitation and Intellectual Property Rights. I conducted interviews with the partners to understand how their statistical results and models could be protected in terms of intellectual property rights after the project's completion.

## Personal Information

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**Language:** English (CAE C1 Cambridge Certificate), Italian (B2), Albanian (Native)

### Skills and competences

#### General Digital Skills

STATA, EVIEWS, R, SPSS