

Lorenzo Eaco

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CURRENT POSITIONS

PhD Candidate in Political and Social Sciences – University of Bologna, Dept of Political and Social Sciences – Bologna, IT Nov 2024 – Ongoing

- *Thesis title:* Navigating Turbulence with Robustness: a comparative study of environmentally stressed policy domains in Europe
- *Supervisor:* Prof. Stefania Profeti (University of Bologna)
- *Co-supervisor:* Prof. Maria Tullia Galanti (University of Milan)
- *Research interests:* Public Policy, Environmental Policies, Collaborative Governance

Visiting Student Researcher – UC Berkeley, Department of Political Science – Berkeley, US Aug 2026 – Ongoing

- Visiting PhD Candidate at the UC Berkeley Charles and Louise Travers Department of Political Science
- *Supervisor:* Prof. Christopher Ansell

Doctoral Programme Support Tutor – University of Bologna, PhD Programme in Political and Social Sciences – Bologna, IT Dec 2025 – Ongoing

- Academic support to PhD candidates throughout their research and training pathway
- Support to the PhD Programme Coordinator and organization of seminars and academic events

Teaching Assistant – University of Bologna, Dept of Political and Social Sciences – Bologna, IT Oct 2025 – Ongoing

- TA at the Bachelor of Arts in European Studies (BAES)

TEACHING POSITIONS

University of Bologna, Dept of Political and Social Sciences, Bachelor of Arts in European Studies (BAES), Thesis Lab Academic Year 2025/2026

- Teaching Assistant (40 hours), evaluation of course projects, feedback on thesis project proposals

PAST POSITIONS

Intern – Sustainability Development and Implementation, Acea S.p.A. – Rome, IT May – June 2024

- Benchmark analysis of sustainability frameworks in multi-utility companies; ESG reporting

Administrative Assistant (University Tutor), Sapienza University of Rome – Rome, IT April – October 2021

EDUCATION

Sapienza University of Rome, Department of Social Sciences and Economics, Path of Excellence – Rome, IT May – July 2024

- Supplementary training path centered on sociology, political science, economics and research methodologies

KU Leuven, Faculty of Social Sciences, Erasmus+ – Leuven, BE Sept 2023 – Feb 2024

- *Relevant coursework:* Public Affairs, Public Administration, Survey Methodology, Climate Policies

Sapienza University of Rome, MA in Sociology for Sustainability and Analysis of Global Processes – Rome, IT Sept 2022 – July 2024

- *Final grade:* 110 cum laude
- *Thesis title:* The link between sustainability and justice: A study on the governance architectures in Italian utilities

Sapienza University of Rome, BA in Philosophy (Political Philosophy) – Rome, IT Sept 2019 – July 2022

- *Final grade:* 110 cum laude
- *Thesis title:* From Government to Governance: a political-legal look at the creative plurality of the social world

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

PhD Students' Representative, Department Council, Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna May 2025 – May 2027

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

PhD Scholarship – Co-funded by the Emilia-Romagna Region and the European Union (European Social Fund Plus) <i>Scholarship title:</i> Welfare and Sustainability; <i>Amount:</i> €71.220,00	Nov 2024
Honours Programme Fellowship , Sapienza University of Rome Full tuition fee waiver and funding for additional educational activities	May 2024

SELECTED TRAINING ACTIVITIES

Fondazione Bruno Kessler - Istituto per la Ricerca Valutativa sulle Politiche Pubbliche – Online	March 2026
• <i>Field of study:</i> Public policy impact assessment	
Uppsala University, Centre of Natural Hazards and Disaster Science (CNDS) - CNDS/EGU/TRANSCEND Summer School 2025 – Uppsala, SE	August 2025
• <i>Field of study:</i> Natural Hazards in the Anthropocene - Adapting to natural hazards under uncertainty	
IPPA - International Summer School on Public Policy Venezia-Padova – Padua, IT	June 2025
• <i>Field of study:</i> Policy Dynamics and Effectiveness	
European University Institute (EUI) - School of Transnational Governance Roundtable – Florence	June 2025
• <i>Field of study:</i> Policy Analysis and Policy Analysts Roundtables	
ECPR Methods School – Online	March 2025
• <i>Field of study:</i> Introduction to Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA)	
Paideia Summer School – Online	August – Sept 2024
• <i>Field of study:</i> Social Research Methodologies	
Sapienza University of Rome, CorisLab , Laboratory course – Rome, IT	June 2023
• <i>Field of study:</i> Quantitative research - Advanced SPSS course	
Sapienza University of Rome, Faculty of Civil and Industrial Engineering , Training Program – Rome, IT	May - July 2023
• <i>Field of study:</i> Sustainability Sciences: cultural, ecological and digital transition	

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

IPPA Workshop 2026 (International Public Policy Association)	Ottawa, July 2026
• Presented paper: Public sector dynamic capabilities in climate-stressed service arrangements	
ENPA 2026 (European Network for Public Administration)	Bucharest, April 2026
• Presented paper: Turbulence and Public Service Delivery: Operationalizing Institutional Robustness in Climate-Stressed Policy Domains	
SISP Annual Conference 2025 (Italian Political Science Association Annual Conference)	Naples, Sept 2025
• Presented paper: Navigating Turbulence with Robustness: a comparative study of water utilities in Europe affected by climate change	
SISP Early-Career Workshop on Public Policy 2025	Bologna, June 2025
• Presented paper: Navigating Turbulence with Robustness: a comparative study of water governance in Europe affected by climate change	
Foundational Economy Collective Seminar, Freie Universität Bozen	Bozen, Oct 2024
• Discussant: Sistemi di distribuzione idrica e infrastrutture ambientali	
VI Scientific Meeting, Department of Social and Economic Sciences, Sapienza University of Rome	Rome, May 2024
• Co-presenter with Dr. Edoardo Esposto, Sapienza University of Rome	

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOP ORGANIZATION

Early Career Researchers Roundtables, Department of Political and Social Sciences,
University of Bologna

Sept 2025 – Ongoing

AFFILIATIONS

CONNECT - Transnational Connections and Global Governance, University of Bologna, *Director: Prof. Manuela Moschella, Deputy Director: Prof. Alice Mattoni*

IPPA - International Public Policy Association

SISP – Società Italiana di Scienza Politica (Italian Political Science Association) – *Standing Group Administrations and Public Policy*

DATA ANALYSIS SKILLS

Statistical software: R Studio, IBM SPSS Statistics, Jamovi, fsQCA, Excel

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Italian: native

English: C1 (Cambridge)

Spanish: A2

MEDIA & NON-ACADEMIC ARTICLES

L. Eaco, **Playing Chess in a Burning Room: Why Robust Organizations Matter for Policy Making in an Age of Turbulence**. PA Times Online, American Society for Public Administration.

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