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POSITION

- [08/05/2024 – Current] **Cultrice della Materia (Subject Expert) in Political Science SPS/04**
Department of Political and Social Sciences - University of Trieste
Link: <https://dispes.units.it/>
- [08/05/2024 – Current] **Cultrice della Materia (Subject Expert) in Democracy and Decision Making SPS/04**
Department of Political and Social Sciences - University of Trieste
- [01/11/2021 – Current] **Head of Communications**
Fondazione De Chiara De Maio
Link: <https://www.fondazionedechiara-demaio.it/>
- [01/06/2025 – Current] **Tutor for International Students**
Department of Economics - University of Trieste
Link: <https://deams.units.it/it/didattica/orientamento/Studenti-tutori>
- [01/06/2025 – Current] **Career guidance advisor**
Department of Economics - University of Trieste
Link: <https://deams.units.it/it/didattica/orientamento/Studenti-tutori>
- [01/01/2025 – Current] **Civic education workshop facilitator**
Istituto di Istruzione Superiore Vittorio De Caprariis - Solofra (AV)

EDUCATION

- [30/12/2023 – Current] **PhD in Political Science SPS/04**
University of Trieste and University of Udine
PhD programme Storia, Filosofia e Studi Politico-Sociali (History, Philosophy and Political and Social Studies)
Thesis title: **Nested games. Regions, government and decision making in contemporary democracies.**
Supervisor Prof. Giuseppe Ieraci
Co-supervisor Prof. Brunetta Baldite here the description...
Link: <https://phd.units.it/it/dot1333709>
- [01/10/2020 – 19/10/2023] **Master's Degree in Administration LM-63**
University of Siena | Final grade: Magna Cum Laude
Thesis title: The association between fertility and female labour-force participation in Italy. Cross-country, national and sub-national perspective and policy implications.

Supervisor Prof. Cinzia Buccianti
Co-supervisor Prof. Fabrizio Coricelli
Link: <https://www.dispi.unisi.it/it>

[01/10/2017 – 16/07/2020] **Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and International Relations L-36**

University of Trieste | Final grade: Magna Cum Laude

Thesis title: The National Strategy for Inner Areas (SNAI) in Alta Irpinia: methods and governance.

Supervisor Prof. Giuseppe Ieraci

Co-supervisor Prof. Giovanni Carrosio

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[25/04/2024 – 21/11/2024]

Master's Degree in Didactic methodologies for teaching legal and economic subjects in upper secondary education (L'insegnamento delle materie giuridico-economiche negli istituti secondari di II grado: metodologie didattiche) MA-46

Università telematica E-Campus

WORK EXPERIENCE

Italian Political Science Association - Candidate and Leader Selection

City: Siena | **Country:** Italy

Link <https://standinggroups.sisp.it/candidateleaderselection/>

[01/02/2019 – Current]

Research assistant

Mentor Prof. Fulvio Venturino, University of Cagliari

Polo Liceale Albert Einstein

City: Cervignano del Friuli (UD)

[04/12/2025 – 08/01/2026]

Civic education workshop facilitator

Department of Political and Social Studies - University of Trieste

City: Trieste | **Country:** Italy

[01/10/2024 – 30/12/2024]

Early years teaching assistant

Course: Political Science SPS/04 | Held by Prof. Giuseppe Ieraci

University of Siena, Istituto S. Giovanni Bosco e Cennino Cennini

City: Siena

[01/01/2023 – 31/05/2023]

PCTO (job orientation) workshop facilitator

Placement Office - University of Siena

City: Siena | **Country:** Italy

[01/2022 – 06/2022]

Communications assistant

Placement Office - University of Siena

City: Siena | **Country:** Italy

[01/2022 – 06/2022] **Career guidance advisor**

Associazione Franco Basaglia

City: Trieste | **Country:** Italy

[10/2018 – 08/2022] **Volunteer**

Volunteering in Mental Health services

Associazione Salvaguardia Beni Culturali Solofra

City: Solofra | **Country:** Italy

[09/2015 – 09/2016] **Volunteer**

Volunteering in cultural heritage

RESEARCH TRAINING

[09/02/2026 – 09/08/2026] **Visiting researcher**

EURAC Research - Institute for Comparative Federalism

Academic Mentor Prof. Francesco Palermo

Link: <https://www.eurac.edu/en/institutes-centers/institute-for-comparative-federalism>

[02/02/2019 – Current] **Research Assistant**

Italian Political Science Association - Candidate and Leader Selection Standing Group

Mentor Prof. Fulvio, University of Cagliari Write here the description...

Link: <https://standinggroups.sisp.it/candidateleaderselection/>

[05/05/2025 – 05/08/2025] **Visiting scholar**

University of Ljubljana - Faculty of Social Sciences

Academic Mentor Prof. Damjan Lajh

Link: <https://www.fdv.uni-lj.si/en>

[20/01/2025 – 20/04/2025] **Visiting scholar**

University of Bergen - Department of Comparative Politics

Academic Mentor Prof. Arjan Schakel

Link: <https://www.uib.no/en/sampol>

[01/06/2022 – 31/07/2022] **Visiting student**

Centre for Social and Economic Research on the Global Environment - School of Economics University of East Anglia Academic mentors Dr. Silvia Ferrini, Dr. Gaetano Grilli

Link: <https://cserge.uea.ac.uk/>

OTHER TRAINING

- [27/05/2025 – 30/05/2025] **3rd IGCOORD Training School on Formal and Informal Intergovernmental Relations**
EURAC Research, Bolzano
Link: <https://igcoord.eu/activities/training-schools/>
- [22/01/2024 – 19/02/2024] **Understanding Policy Dynamics - Seminar**
Department of Political and Social Studies Sciences
Held by Prof. Giliberto Capano
Link: <https://phd.unibo.it/pss/en/research-and-training/programme-content-39th-cycle>
- [06/05/2019 – 31/05/2019] **Social Media Managing training school**
University of Trieste
- [02/2019] **Project Cycle Management and EU Project Planning – Regional Calls and Horizon 2020**
University of Trieste
- [05/2019] **Workshop on Inclusive and Non-Hostile Language**
Arcigay Trieste, Associazione Franco Basaglia ODV

PUBLICATIONS

- [2023] **[Le regole per l'elezione del segretario](#)**
Reference: Russo, M. S., & Venturino, F. (2023). Le regole per l'elezione del segretario. In S. Grimaldi & F. Venturino (Eds.), *Un nuovo inizio? Il Partito Democratico e l'elezione di Elly Schlein* (pp. 19-28). Padova: Padova University Press.
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- [2024] **Partecipazione economica femminile e fecondità in Italia: Prospettiva nazionale e per macroaree.**
Reference: Russo, M. S. (2024). Partecipazione economica femminile e fecondità in Italia: Prospettiva nazionale e per macroaree. In C. Bucciante (Ed.), *La plasmabilità della demografia* (pp. 33-76). Collana Studi di Popolazione. Edizioni La Vela.
- [2023] **[The De Chiara De Maio Foundation: educational approach to art in a context of proximity.](#)**
Reference: De Maio, D., Russo, M. S. (2023). The De Chiara De Maio Foundation: educational approach to art in a context of proximity. *Journal of Inclusive Methodology and Technology in Learning and Teaching*, 3(1sup).
- [2025] **Il Tirocinio 2023-2024 di Sapienza Università di Roma presso la Mostra "Monne e Madonne. Il Seicento a Napoli, un altro Rinascimento" della Fondazione De Chiara De Maio**
Reference: Colonna, S., Gaeta, C., Ramadori, S., Russo, M.S. (eds). (2025). *Il Tirocinio 2023-2024 di Sapienza Università di Roma presso la Mostra Monne e Madonne. Il Seicento a Napoli, un altro Rinascimento*. Solofra, FondazioneDe Ed.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

- [06/11/2025] **Centri e periferie. Prospettive interdisciplinari su potere, spazio e identità. In memoria di Giacomo Gobbato.**
University of Trieste

Panel: Relazioni. Persone, istituzioni, Stati, continenti.

Paper: Le IGR nel framework della frattura centro-periferia.

[06/11/2025 – 07/11/2025]

Centri e periferie. Prospettive interdisciplinari su potere, spazio e identità. In memoria di Giacomo Gobbato.

University of Trieste

Serving as organiser.

[04/06/2025]

I Early Career Workshop on Public Polic University of Bologna

Paper: Dynamics of regional interaction in Italian multilevel governance: bridging the gap in policy analysis.

[04/11/2024]

La dimensione pubblica del sapere: divulgazione, censure, finzioni. University of Udine

Panel: Divulgazione dei saperi

Paper: Educazione civica nelle secondarie di II grado. Scuola, no-profit e buone pratiche.

[04/11/2024 – 05/11/2024]

La dimensione pubblica del sapere: divulgazione, censure, finzioni. University of Udine

Serving as organiser.

[12/09/2024 – 14/09/2024]

XXXVII Italian Political Science Association Annual Conference University of Trieste

Serving as organiser.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): Italian

Other language(s):

English

LISTENING C1 READING C1 WRITING C1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION C1 SPOKEN INTERACTION C1

French

LISTENING A1 READING B2 WRITING A1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION A1 SPOKEN INTERACTION A1

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