

Curriculum vitae et studiorum

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Current position

Full Professor (*Professore Ordinario*) of Applied Economics, Kore University of Enna, Italy (*Italian scientific disciplinary sector SECS-P/06, Economia Applicata*).

Professional experience in academic Journals

Editor, *Tourism Economics*, 2017 – present

Editorial Board, *Journal of Destination Marketing and Management*, 2016 – present

Editorial Board, *PASOS Revista de Turismo y Patrimonio Cultural*, 2013 – present

Editorial Board, *International Journal of Culture, Tourism and Hospitality Research*, 2019 – present

Editorial Board, CLEUP book series 'Studies in Tourism Statistics', 2012 – present

Editorial Board, *Tourism Economics* (former member until 2017)

Research interests

Applied economics. Tourism economics. Cultural economics. Regional and urban economics. Development economics. Transport economics. Economic growth and convergence. Microeconomic analysis.

Publications

Peer reviewed journal articles

- Scuderi R., Tesoriere G., Fasone V. (2019). Natural events and performance of micro firms: the impact of floods on shops in Uganda. *Economia Politica - Journal of Analytical and Institutional Economics*, doi: 10.1007/s40888-019-00152-w, ISSN: 1120-2890 (print version), 1973-820X (electronic version)
- Fasone V., Rodriguez Brindis M.A., Scuderi R., Zapata-Aguirre S. (2018). Can the Airport Business Boost Economic Growth? Empirical Evidence from Chile. *L'industria*, 2(April-June), 261-278
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- Brida J.G., Martín, J.C., Román C., Scuderi R. (2017). Air and HST multimodal products. A segmentation analysis for policy makers. *Networks and Spatial Economics*, 17(3), 911-934, doi: 10.1007/s11067-017-9352-3, ISSN: 1566-113X (Print) 1572-9427 (Online).
- Brida J.G., Dalle Nogare C., Scuderi R. (2017). Learning at the museum: Factors influencing visit length. *Tourism Economics*, 23(2), 281-294, doi: 10.1177/1354816616656249, eISSN: 2044-0375, ISSN: 1354-8166
- Abbruzzo A., Fasone V., Scuderi R. (2016). Operational and financial performance of Italian airport companies: A dynamic graphical model. *Transport Policy*, 52, 231-237, doi: 10.1016/j.tranpol.2016.09.004, ISSN: 0967-070X
- Fasone V., Hofer S., Scuderi R. (2016). Hotels in a customer-centred business model: empirical findings from Val Gardena. *TOURISM - An International Interdisciplinary Journal*, 64(1), 97-108, ISSN: 1332-7461
- Fasone V., Kofler L., Scuderi R. (2016). Business performance of airports: non-aviation revenues and their determinants. *Journal of Air Transport Management*, 53(June), 35-45, doi: 10.1016/j.jairtraman.2015.12.012, ISSN: 0969-6997
- Brida J.G., Dalle Nogare C., Scuderi R. (2016). Frequency of museum attendance: motivation matters. *Journal of Cultural Economics*, 40(3), 261-283, doi 10.1007/s10824-015-9254-5, ISSN: 0885-2545 (print version), 1573-6997 (electronic version)
- Brida J.G., Driha O.M., Ramón A., Scuderi R. (2015). Dynamics of internationalisation of the hotel industry: the case of Spain. *International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management*, 27(5), 1024-1047, doi: 10.1108/IJCHM-11-2013-0527, ISSN: 0959-6119
- Brida J.G., Fasone V., Scuderi R., Zapata-Aguirre S. (2014). Exploring the determinants of cruise passengers' expenditure while at ports of call in Uruguay. *Tourism Economics*, 20(5), 1133-1143, doi: 10.5367/te.2013.0322, ISSN 1354-8166
- Brida J.G., Fasone V., Scuderi R., Zapata Aguirre S. (2014). ClustOfVar and the segmentation of cruise passengers from mixed data: some managerial implications. *Knowledge-Based Systems*, 70(November), 128-136, doi: 10.1016/j.knosys.2014.06.016, ISSN: 0950-7051
- Brida J.G., Disegna M., Scuderi R. (2014). The Behaviour of Repeat Visitors to Museums: Review and Empirical Findings. *Quality & Quantity*, 48(5), 2817-2840, doi: 10.1007/s11135-013-9927-0, ISSN: 0033-5177 (print), 1573-7845 (online)
- Fasone V., Maggiore P., Scuderi R. (2014). Airport Ownership and Financial Performance: Evidence from Italy. *Journal of Air Transport Management*, 40(August), 163-168, doi:10.1016/j.jairtraman.2014.07.004, ISSN: 0969-6997
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- archaeology versus modern art. *Current Issues in Tourism*, 17(6), 518-538, doi: 10.1080/13683500.2012.742042, ISSN: 1368-3500 (print), 1747-7603 (online)
- Abbruzzo A., Brida J.G., Scuderi R. (2014). Determinants of tourist expenditure as a network: empirical findings from Uruguay. *Tourism Management*, 43(August), 36-45, doi:10.1016/j.tourman.2014.01.014, ISSN: 0261-5177
 - Brida J.G., Disegna M., Scuderi R. (2014). Segmenting visitors of cultural events: the case of Christmas Market. *Expert Systems with Applications*, 41(10), 4542-4553, doi: 10.1016/j.eswa.2014.01.019, ISSN: 0957-4174
 - Brida J.G., Pereyra J., Scuderi R. (2014). Repeat tourism in Uruguay: modelling truncated distributions of count data. *Quality & Quantity*, 48(1), 475-491, doi: 10.1007/s11135-012-9782-4, ISSN: 0033-5177 (print), 1573-7845 (online)
 - Brida J.G., Scuderi R., Seijas M.N. (2014). Segmenting Cruise Passengers Visiting Uruguay: a Factor-Cluster Analysis. *International Journal of Tourism Research*, 16(3), 209-222, doi:10.1002/jtr.1916, ISSN: 1099-2340 (print), 1522-1970 (online)
 - Mendola D., Scuderi R., Lacagnina V. (2013). Defining and measuring the development of a country over time: a proposal of a new index. *Quality & Quantity*, 47(5), 2473-2494, doi: 10.1007/s11135-012-9665-8, ISSN: 0033-5177 (print version), 1573-7845 (online)
 - Brida J.G., Disegna M., Scuderi R. (2013). Visitors of two types of museums: a segmentation study. *Expert Systems with Applications*, 40(6), 2224-2232, doi: 10.1016/j.eswa.2012.10.039, ISSN: 0957-4174
 - Brida J.G., Scuderi R. (2013). Determinants of tourist expenditure: a review of microeconomic models. *Tourism Management Perspectives*, 6(April), 28-40, doi: 10.1016/j.tmp.2012.10.006, ISSN 2211-9736
 - Gursoy D., Parroco A.M., Scuderi R. (2013). An examination of tourist arrival dynamics utilizing short-term time series data: A space-time cluster approach. *Tourism Economics*, 19(4), 761-777 doi: 10.5367/te.2013.0318, ISSN 1354-8166
 - Brida J.G., Disegna M., Scuderi R. (2013). Visitors to two types of museums: do expenditure patterns differ? *Tourism Economics*, 19(5), 1027-1047, doi: 10.5367/te.2013.0295, ISSN 1354-8166
 - Fasone V., Scuderi R. (2012). Non-Aviation Revenues and Growth in Passengers' Traffic: Clustering Italian Airports. *International Journal of Aviation Management*, 1(4), 304-317, doi: 10.1504/IJAM.2012.050477, ISSN: 1755-9901 (print), 1755-991X (online)
 - Brida J.G., Disegna M., Scuderi R. (2012). The visitors' authenticity perception at the museums: archeology versus modern art museums. In: *Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on Tourism Management and Tourism Related Issues*, Nice, France, 20-21 September 2012. ISSN 2223-9014
 - Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2009). The polarization of European agriculture: spatial and dynamic features within a non parametric framework. *Economia e Diritto Agroalimentare*, n.3, pp.119-149, ISSN 1826-0373
 - Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2008). On rural development of NUTS 2 and 3: a non parametric approach of distribution dynamics analysis. *Annali della Facoltà di Economia e Commercio*, Università degli studi di Palermo, vol. LXII, 279-312, ISSN: 1827-8388
 - Lo Jacono V., Scuderi R. (2006). Sull'influenza degli investimenti diretti esteri nella crescita economica delle regioni italiane. *Rivista Italiana di Economia, Demografia e Statistica*, n.3/4, pp. 339-347, ISSN 0035-6832

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- Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2003). Persistenza e appartenenza sfocata: un confronto su unità territoriali. *Rivista Italiana di Economia, Demografia e Statistica*, n.3/4, pp. 103-111, ISSN 0035-6832

Peer-reviewed book chapters

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- Parroco A.M., Scuderi R. (2012). Short term dynamics of tourist arrivals: what do Italian destinations have in common? In: W. Gaul, A. Geyer-Schulz, L. Schmidt-Thieme, J. Kunze (Eds.), 'Challenges at the Interface of Data Analysis, Computer Science, and Optimization', *Studies in Classification, Data Analysis, and Knowledge Organization*, 577-584. Springer, Heidelberg-Berlin. ISBN 978-3-642-24465-0, doi: 10.1007/978-3-642-24466-7-59.
- Mendola D., Scuderi R. (2012). Assessing the beneficial effects of economic growth: the Harmonic Growth Index. In: A. Di Ciaccio, M. Coli, J. M. Angulo Ibanez (Eds.), 'Advanced Statistical Methods for the Analysis of Large Data-Sets', *Studies in Theoretical and Applied Statistics*, 205-215. Springer: Heidelberg-Berlin. ISBN 978-3-642-21036-5, doi: 10.1007/978-3-642-21037-2_19.
- Fasone V., Scuderi R. (2012). Mobilità e trasporto aereo: alcune evidenze empiriche sulla dimensione non aviation negli aeroporti a gestione totale. In: A. M. Oliveri, S. De Cantis (Eds.), 'Mobilità del turismo regionale incoming. Aspetti socio-economici dei comportamenti e delle motivazioni', 199-210, McGraw-Hill Education: Milano, 2012. ISBN: 978-88-386-9077-8.
- Parroco A.M., Ferrante M., Scuderi R. (2012). Una proposta metodologica per la stima dei flussi di turismo incoming: evidenze in Sicilia. In: A. M. Oliveri, S. De Cantis (Eds.), 'Mobilità del turismo regionale incoming. Aspetti socio-economici dei comportamenti e delle motivazioni', 23-34, McGraw-Hill Education: Milano, 2012. ISBN: 978-88-386-9077-8
- Brida JG, Disegna M, Scuderi R (2012). Segmenting visitors of cultural events: the case of Christmas Market visitors in Merano, Northern Italy. In: A. Trono (Ed.), 'Sustainable Religious Tourism: Commandments, Obstacles & Challenges', 213-229. Edizioni Esperidi: San Cesario di Lecce, ISBN: 978-88-97895-01-5
- Di Caccamo A., Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2012). Distorsioni nel ricordo della spesa dei turisti: alcune evidenze empiriche. In: V. Asero, R. D'Agata, V. Tomaselli (Eds.), 'Turismo e territorio: analisi empiriche ed approcci metodologici', 51-60, McGraw-Hill Education: Milano, 2012. ISBN: 978-88-386-9078-5.
- De Cantis S., Ferrante M., Scuderi R. (2012). Una nota sul campionamento in Sicilia e Sardegna per l'analisi della mobilità: le probabilità di selezione e il processo di calibrazione. In: V. Asero, R. D'Agata, V. Tomaselli (Eds.), 'Turismo e territorio: analisi empiriche ed approcci metodologici', 9-20, McGraw-Hill Education, 2012. ISBN: 978-88-386-9078-5.
- De Cantis S., Scuderi R. (2011). A note on the calibration of the tourists mobility survey in Sicily and Sardinia. In: V. Asero, R. D'Agata, V. Tomaselli (eds.), 'Turisti per caso?... – Il turismo sul territorio: motivazioni e comportamenti di spesa', Bonanno Editore, Acireale-Roma, 35-40, ISBN 978-88-7796-849-4.
- Di Caccamo A., Notarstefano G, Scuderi R. (2011). L'effetto della percezione e del ricordo nella

- stima degli indicatori di spesa turistica: aspetti teorici ed evidenze empiriche. In: V. Asero, R. D'Agata, V. Tomaselli (eds.), 'Turisti per caso?... – Il turismo sul territorio: motivazioni e comportamenti di spesa', Bonanno Editore, Acireale-Roma, 41-45, ISBN 978-88-7796-849-4
- Scuderi R., Vanella G. (2010). La relazione tra residenti e turisti: una rassegna di contributi teorici ed empirici. In: A. Parroco, F. Vaccina (eds.), 'Mobilità e altri comportamenti dei turisti: studi e ricerche a confronto', Mc Graw-Hill series in Tourism Sciences, volume 1, 125-135, ISBN 978-88-386-6584-4
 - Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2010). Modelli statistici per la rilevazione e l'analisi della spesa turistica. In: A. Parroco, F. Vaccina (eds.), 'Mobilità e altri comportamenti dei turisti: studi e ricerche a confronto', Mc Graw-Hill series in Tourism Sciences, volume 1, 115-124, ISBN 978-88-386-6584-4
 - Mendola D., Scuderi R. (2009). Harmonic growth: a new approach to the measurement of countries development. In: 'Statistical Methods for the analysis of large data-sets - Proceedings of the Intermediate Meeting of the Italian Statistical Society', 471-474, CLEUP, Padova, ISBN 978-88-6129-425-7
 - Lo Jacono V., Scuderi R. (2008). On the influence of foreign direct investment on economic growth: evidence from Italian regions. In: Proceedings of the 'Eighth International Business Research Conference', 1-10, World Business Institute, Melbourne, ISBN 978-0-9804557-0-1
 - Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2007). Growth, FDI and convergence in the EMP: an empirical evidence. In: A. M. Ferragina (Ed.), Proceedings of the conference 'Bridging the Gap: the Role of Trade and FDI in the Mediterranean', 693-711, CNR, Napoli
 - Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2007). Polarization and Dynamic Clustering: A Review. In: Proceedings of the VI CLADAG (Classification and Data Analysis Group) meeting of the Italian Society of Statistics, pp.523-526, ISBN 978-88-6056-020-9
 - Ferrante M., Notarstefano G., Purpura A., Scuderi R. (2006). Comportamento di spesa del turista: un approccio microeconomico. In: V. Tomaselli, F. Vaccina (eds.), 'Turismo a Cefalù: dimensioni statistiche ed effetti socio-economici', pp. 155-183, CLEUP, Padova, ISBN 88-6129-028-0
 - Scuderi R. (2006). Club Convergence And Cluster Persistence: A Novel Approach To Multivariate Convergence Analysis. In: Proceedings of the XLIII scientific meeting of the Italian Society of Statistics, 345-348, CLEUP, Padova, ISBN 88-7178-791-9
 - Giambona F., Lo Jacono V., Scuderi R. (2005). The IPAT model: an empirical evidence. In: Proceedings of the 2005 Intermediate Scientific Meeting of the Italian Statistical Society 'Statistics and Environment', 125-128, CLEUP, Padova, ISBN 88-7178-531-2
 - Cuffaro M., Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2004). Persistency and convergence among EMP countries: a semi-parametric approach. In: Proceedings of the XLII scientific meeting of the Italian Society of Statistics, 595-598, CLEUP, Padova, ISBN 88-7178-034-5

Full articles in conferences proceedings

- Milio S., Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2011). Le determinanti dell'imprenditorialità: alcune evidenze a partire dall'indagine FOBS. XXXII Conferenza AISRE, Torino, 15/09/2011 - 17/09/2011. Atti della XXXII Conferenza Annuale dell'AISRE - Associazione Italiana di Scienze Regionali, 1-26
- Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2009). Stochastic kernel and conditioning schemes: a study about the influence of spatial factor on agriculture of EU NUTS2. In: on-line proceedings of 'III World Conference of Spatial Econometrics', pp. 1-28, <http://www.ub.edu/sea2009.com/papers.htm>

- Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2007). Agriculture and rural development: a study about polarization and distribution dynamics. In: CD-ROM proceedings of the 47th ERSa Conference (European Regional Science Association), pp.1-28

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- Brida J.G., Disegna M., Scuderi R. (2012). Repeat Visitors to Museums: Does Their Typology Matter? Book of abstracts, Consumer Behavior in Tourism Symposium 2012. Brunico (Bolzano), 10-13 December 2011, p.14, Free University of Bolzano.
- Fasone V., Scuderi R. (2011). Consumer behavior and commercial services in a 'low cost era': evidence from a small Italian airport. Book of abstracts, Consumer Behavior in Tourism Symposium 2011. Brunico (Bolzano), 1-3 December 2011, Free University of Bolzano.
- Parroco A.M., Scuderi R. (2011). Incoming tourism dynamics in the short term: clustering Italian tourist areas. Book of abstracts, Consumer Behavior in Tourism Symposium 2011. Brunico (Bolzano), 1-3 December 2011, Free University of Bolzano.
- Notarstefano G., Scuderi R. (2010). Comportamenti di spesa e profili dei turisti: alcune evidenze empiriche. In: Abstract dei contributi del Convegno Conclusivo PRIN 2007 'Mobilità del turismo regionale incoming. Aspetti socio-economici dei comportamenti e delle motivazioni', p.30. Palermo, 4-5 novembre 2010, Casa Editrice Antipodes: Palermo, ISBN 978-88-96926-04-8
- Fasone V., Scuderi R. (2010). Evoluzione del business e attività non-aviation nelle società di gestione aeroportuali italiane: un'analisi empirica sulle strutture a 'gestione totale'. In: Abstract dei contributi del Convegno Conclusivo PRIN 2007 'Mobilità del turismo regionale incoming. Aspetti socio-economici dei comportamenti e delle motivazioni', p.22. Palermo, 4-5 novembre 2010, Casa Editrice Antipodes: Palermo, ISBN 978-88-96926-04-8
- Scuderi R. (2010). On the polarization of Italian tourist destinations. In: '34th Annual Conference of the German Classification Society (GfKI) - Program and Abstracts', p.167. Karlsruhe, Germany, 21-23 July 2010
- Parroco A.M., Scuderi R. (2010). Tourism lifecycle in Italy: what do destinations have in common? In: '34th Annual Conference of the German Classification Society (GfKI) - Program and Abstracts', p.143. Karlsruhe, Germany, 21-23 July 2010

Doctoral thesis

- Scuderi R. (2006), Convergence and cluster persistence: theory and empirics. Università degli studi di Palermo, Italy

Working Papers

- Bertacchini E., Dalle Nogare C., Scuderi R. (2017). Ownership, Organization Structure and Performance in Public Service Provision: The Case of Museums. SSRN, https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2976083
- Brida J.G., Dalle Nogare C., Scuderi R. (2014). How often to a museum? Motivations matter. Bolzano/Bozen Economics & Management Paper Series, BEMPS 16, Repec indexed
- Abbruzzo A., Brida J.G., Scuderi R. (2013). Determinants of Individual Tourist Expenditure as a Network: Empirical Findings from Uruguay. Bolzano/Bozen Economics & Management Paper Series, BEMPS09, Repec indexed
- Gursoy D., Parroco A.M., Scuderi R. (2013). An examination of tourist arrivals dynamics using short-term time series data: a space-time cluster approach. Bolzano/Bozen Economics & Management Paper Series, BEMPS06, Repec indexed

- Brida J.G., Disegna M., Scuderi R. (2013). The Behaviour of Repeat Visitors to Museums: Review and Empirical Findings. Bolzano/Bozen Economics & Management Paper Series, BEMPS03, Repec indexed
- Brida J.G., Pereyra J.S., Scuderi R. (2012). Repeat tourism in Uruguay: modelling truncated distributions of count data. MPRA, Munich Personal RePEc Archive, <https://mpra.ub.uni-muenchen.de/37140/>
- Brida, Juan Gabriel and Scuderi, Raffaele (2012): Determinants of tourist expenditure: a review of microeconomic models. MPRA, Munich Personal RePEc Archive, <https://mpra.ub.uni-muenchen.de/38468/>
- Brida, Juan Gabriel and Disegna, Marta and Scuderi, Raffaele (2012): Visitors of two types of museums: do expenditure patterns differ? MPRA, Munich Personal RePEc Archive, <https://mpra.ub.uni-muenchen.de/38841/>

Teaching material

- Scuderi R. (2004), Introduzione all'analisi delle serie storiche economiche, lecture notes on time series analysis, mimeo

Blog articles

- "Se è autonomo, il museo funziona meglio", <http://www.lavoce.info/archives/47112/autonomo-museo-funziona-meglio/> - May 30th, 2017
- "Tourists and museums when leisure becomes learning", <https://economiststalkart.org/2017/05/16/tourists-and-museums-when-leisure-becomes-learning/> - May 16th, 2017

Submitted articles

- Natural events and performance of micro firms evidence from floods in Uganda
- Can the airport business boost economic growth? Empirical evidence from Chile.
- Measuring the economic impact of tourism: an overview
- Public and private healthcare services: what drives the choice?

Academic appointments

2018-today – Full Professor (Professore Ordinario) of Applied Economics, Kore University of Enna, Italy. Scientific disciplinary sector SECS-P/06.

2018 – Associate Professor (Professore Associato) of Applied Economics, Kore University of Enna, Italy. Scientific disciplinary sector SECS-P/06.

2014-2018 – Associate Professor (Professore Associato) of Economic Policy, Kore University of Enna, Italy. Scientific disciplinary sector SECS-P/02.

2011-2014 – Assistant Professor of Economics with fixed term contract (Ricercatore a Tempo Determinato), Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy. Scientific disciplinary sector SECS-P/01.

2009-2010 – Research fellow (Assegnista di ricerca), Department of Quantitative Methods for Human Sciences, University of Palermo, Italy. Research project 'Multivariate analysis of socio-economic inequalities', supervisor Prof. Antonino Mario Oliveri. Scientific disciplinary sector SECS-S/05 (Social Statistics).

2005-2009 – Research fellow (Assegnista di ricerca), Department of Quantitative Methods for Human Sciences and Department of National Accountability and Analysis of Social Processes, University of

Palermo, Italy. Research project 'Nonparametric multivariate analysis of economic growth and convergence', supervisor Prof. Vincenzo Lo Jacono. Scientific disciplinary sector SECS-S/03 (Economic Statistics).

Teaching, Academic and Higher Education

Since 2015 – Lectures in 'Advanced economics', Ph.D. Programme in 'Economics, Business and Law', Kore University of Enna, Italy.

Since Academic Year 2015/2016 – 'Applied Economics', 6 ECTS, 36 hours, Kore University of Enna, Italy, M.A. in 'Economics and Business Administration'.

Since Academic Year 2015/2016 – 'International Cooperation', 6 ECTS, 36 hours, Kore University of Enna, Italy, M.A. in 'Languages for Intercultural Communication (LCI)', formerly 'Intercultural Studies and International Relations (SIRI)'.

Since Academic Year 2016/2017 – 'Economics' (Microeconomics and Macroeconomics, in Italian), 9 ECTS, 54 hours, Kore University of Enna, Italy, M.A. in 'Law'.

Since Academic Year 2014/2015 – 'Economics' (Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Economic Policy, in Italian), 6 ECTS, 36 hours (formerly 9 ECTS, 54 hours), Kore University of Enna, Italy, B.A. in 'Defence and Security'.

Academic Years 2014/2015 and 2015/2016 – 'Economics' (Microeconomics and Macroeconomics, in Italian), 7 ECTS, 42 hours, Kore University of Enna, Italy, M.A. in 'Law'.

Academic Year 2014/2015 – 'Financial Mathematics', 6 ECTS, 36 hours, Kore University of Enna, Italy, M.A. in 'Business Economics and Management'.

Academic Year 2013/2014 – 'Economics 2' (Macroeconomics, in English), 8 ECTS, 48 hours, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy, School of Economics and Management, B.A. in 'Economics and Management'.

Academic Year 2013/2014 – 'Economics 1 Exercises' (Microeconomics, in English), 52 hours, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy, School of Economics and Management, B.A. in 'Economics and Social Sciences'.

Academic Year 2012/2013 – 'Economics 2' (Microeconomics and Macroeconomics, in English), 8 ECTS, 48 hours, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy, School of Economics and Management, B.A. in 'Economics and Management'.

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Academic Year 2011/2012 – 'Economics 1' (Microeconomics and Macroeconomics, in English), 14 hours, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy, School of Economics and Management, B.A. in 'Economics and Management'.

Academic Year 2011/2012 – 'Economics 1 Exercises' (Microeconomics and Macroeconomics, in English), 86 hours, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy, School of Economics and Management, B.A. in 'Economics and Management'.

2012 – Seminar on 'Visitors of two types of museums: do expenditure patterns differ?', Ph.D. in 'Tourism Sciences: Methodologies, Models and Policies'. Department of Economics, Business and Finance, University of Palermo, Italy.

2011/2012 – Contract professor of Social Statistics, Faculty of Education Sciences, University of Palermo, Italy

2011 – Contract professor of Statistics. Unitelma Sapienza at Palermo, Rome, Italy.

2011 – Seminars on ‘Introduction to Time Series Analysis in Tourism’, Ph.D. in ‘Tourism Sciences: Methodologies, Models and Policies’. Department of Economics, Business and Finance, University of Palermo, Italy.

2011 – Contract professor of ‘Statistical Quality Control’, M.Sc. in ‘Accountability and Management Control’, Kore University of Enna, Italy.

2010/2011 (Academic Year) – Contract Professor of Social Statistics, B.A. in ‘Organization of Social Services’, Faculty of Education Sciences, University of Palermo, Italy.

2010 – Contract professor of ‘Statistics for socio-economic research’ and ‘Methodology of socio-economic research’, M.Sc. in ‘Strategies, instruments and techniques for innovation and development of DOC and DOP products’, ISFAR (Istituto Sistemi Formativi Avanzati e Ricerche), Enna, Italy.

2009 – Seminars on ‘Statistics’, Ph.D. in ‘Agricultural Economics and Politics’, Department ESAF (Economics of Agro-forestry Systems), University of Palermo, Italy.

2008/2009, 2007/2008, 2006/2007, (Academic years) – Contract Professor of ‘Elements of Social Statistics’, B.A. in ‘Social Services’, Faculty of the Humanities, University of Palermo, Italy.

2008 – Contract professor of ‘Economic evaluation of feasibility, design, construction and operation of systems for distributed generation’, M.Sc. in ‘Technology, economics and sustainability of automated systems for distributed generation of electricity’, Department of Electrical, Electronic and Telecommunications Engineering, University of Palermo, Italy.

2008 – Contract professor of ‘Quantitative analysis of Economies and Territories’, IFTS project ‘Senior technician for the organization and marketing of integrated tourism’, POR Sicilia. Istituto Magistrale Statale ‘F. Crispi’, Piazza Armerina, Italy.

2006 – Contract professor of ‘The research project’ and ‘Data coding’, ‘Elabora’ project - POR Sicilia 2000-2006. Consorzio Nautilus S.C.A.R.L., Rome, Italy.

Education

2006 – Ph.D. in Applied Statistics, XVII Cycle. Doctoral thesis in English ‘Convergence and cluster persistence: theory and empirics’, supervisor Prof. Vincenzo Lo Jacono.

2005 – Visiting, Department of Economics, London School of Economics, United Kingdom, Prof. Danny T. Quah.

2004 – XV Summer School in Econometrics for microeconomic data for Ph.D. students, held in Palermo. Coordinator: Prof. Bruno Sitzia. CIDE (Centro Interuniversitario di Econometria), Italy.

2003 – XIV Summer School in Econometrics for macroeconomic data for Ph.D. students, held in Bertinoro (FO). Coordinator: Prof. Giorgio Calzolari. CIDE (Centro Interuniversitario di Econometria), Italy.

2002 – *Laurea Vecchio Ordinamento* (Master Degree) in Business and Firm Economics, Summa cum laude (110 e lode), University of Palermo, Italy. Thesis in Economics Statistics ‘Structural growth and Foreign Direct Investments: the Euro-Mediterranean partnership’, supervisor Prof. Vincenzo Lo Jacono.

1995 – High School Diploma of ‘Maturità Classica’. Liceo Classico Statale ‘V. Linares’, full marks (60/60), Licata, Italy

Languages

Italian (mother tongue), English (fluent), Spanish (good).

Conferences and Workshops: Speeches

As accepted paper

2018 AQR Barcelona Workshop on Regional and Urban Economics ‘Territorial resilience: mitigation and adaptation’. Barcelona, Spain, October 4-5.

- Adaptation of micro firms to floods: evidence from Ugandan cities

III Spring Symposium on Challenges in Tourism Development. Gran Canaria Island, Spain, June 7-8, 2018.

- Round table. Speech on “What makes museums more likely to host events?”

CBTS 2017 – Consumer Behaviour in Tourism Symposium. Bruneck-Brunico, Italy, December 13-16, 2017.

- Mapping tourist behavior from destination card data

IATE (International Association of Tourism Economics) International Conference. Rimini, Italy, June 21-23, 2017.

- “Tell me what you do”: mapping tourist behaviour in time and space from tourist card data
- Modelling booking channel selection. Evidence from European level data

LRT – International Workshop on Local Resources for Tourism: from Impact to Growth. Enna, Italy, November 10-11, 2016.

- The organization of public service provision and service quality: the case of museums.

VII Workshop on Institutions, Individual Behavior and Economic Outcomes. Alghero, Italy, June 11-22 2016.

- The organization of public service provision and service quality: the case of museums.

CBTS 2015 – Consumer Behaviour in Tourism Symposium. Munich, Germany, December 2-4, 2015.

- Duration of museum visit: the role of visitors’ motivation

2015 L’Industria annual conference. University of Palermo, Italy, October 25-26, 2015.

- Duration of museum visit: the role of visitors’ motivation

2014 AQR-IREA Workshop on Regional and Urban Economics and 5th International ERSA workshop: Cultural Tourism and Sustainable Urban Development. University of Barcelona, Spain, November 27-28, 2014.

- How often to a museum? Motivations matter

55th Conference of the Italian Society of Economists (SIE). Trento, Italy, October 23-25, 2014.

- How often to a museum? Motivations matter

Royal Geographical Society, Annual Conference 2014. London (UK), August 27-29. Special session ‘Air transport liberalisation and airline network dynamics: Investigating the complex relationships’.

- Air Transport Liberalisation and Airport Management. Privatisation and Business Performance: a Dynamic Graphical Model

TCVT3 – International workshop on Tourists as Consumers, Visitors, Travellers. Bozen/Bolzano (Italy), April 10-12, 2014.

- The evolution of air transport liberalization: a dynamic graphical model
- Air and HST multimodal products. Travellers’ attitudes, preferences, and choices

54th Conference of the Italian Society of Economists (SIE). Bologna, Italy, October 24-26, 2013.

- The Behaviour of Repeat Visitors to Museums: Review and Empirical Findings

IATE (International Association of Tourism Economics) International Conference. Ljubljana, Slovenia, July 1-4, 2013.

- Repeat Visitors to Museums: Does Their Typology Matter?

CBTS 2012 – Consumer Behaviour in Tourism Symposium. Bruneck-Brunico, Italy, December 10-13, 2012.

- Repeat Visitors to Museums: Does Their Typology Matter?

53rd Conference of the Italian Society of Economists (SIE). Matera, Italy, October 18-20, 2012.

- Visitors of two types of museums: do expenditure patterns differ?

ARWTE – Advanced Research Workshop on Tourism Economics. Coimbra, Portugal, June 11-12, 2012.

- Determinants of tourist expenditure: a review of microeconomic models.
- Visitors of two types of museums: do expenditure patterns differ?

XLIX Conference of the Italian Society of Economics, Demography and Statistics (SIEDS). San Benedetto del Tronto, Italy, May 24-26, 2012.

- Visitors of two types of museums: a segmentation study

The visitors survey at the Christmas Market in Meran: earlier empirical findings. Free University of Bozen-Bolzano and Municipality of Meran, April 3, 2012.

The visitors survey of the two most important museums in Trentino-South Tyrol: earlier empirical findings. Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, South Tyrol Museum of Archaeology, Museum of Modern and Contemporary art of Trento and Rovereto, April 2, 2012.

CBTS 2011 – Consumer Behaviour in Tourism Symposium. Bruneck-Brunico, Italy, December 1-3, 2011.

- Incoming tourism dynamics in the short term: Clustering Italian tourist areas
- Consumer behavior and commercial services in a 'low cost era': evidence from a small Italian airport

PRIN 2007 second final conference 'Mobilità del turismo regionale incoming. Aspetti socio-economici dei comportamenti e delle motivazioni'. Catania, Italy, June 16-17, 2011.

- A note on the calibration of the tourists mobility survey in Sicily and Sardinia
- L'effetto della percezione e del ricordo nella stima degli indicatori di spesa turistica: aspetti teorici ed evidenze empiriche

PRIN 2007 first final conference 'Mobilità del turismo regionale incoming. Aspetti socio-economici dei comportamenti e delle motivazioni'. Palermo, Italy, November 4-5, 2010.

- Presentazione dei risultati delle unità locali del PRIN 2007: Palermo
- Comportamenti di spesa e profili dei turisti: alcune evidenze empiriche
- Evoluzione del business e attività non-aviation nelle società di gestione aeroportuali italiane: un'analisi empirica sulle strutture a 'gestione totale'

34th Annual Conference of the German Classification Society (GfKI) and International Symposium on the Data Analysis Interface. Karlsruhe, Germany, July 21-23, 2010.

- On the polarization of Italian tourist destinations
- Tourism lifecycle in Italy: what do destinations have in common?

III World Conference of Spatial Econometrics. Barcelona, Spain, July 8-10, 2009.

- Stochastic kernel and conditioning schemes: a study about the influence of spatial factor on agriculture of EU NUTS2

VI CLADAG conference (CLAssification and Data Analysis Group) of the Italian Society of Statistics. Macerata, Italy, September 12-14, 2007.

- Polarization and Dynamic Clustering: A Review

47th ERSA Conference (European Regional Science Association). Paris, France, August 29-September 2, 2007.

- Agriculture and rural development: a study about polarization and distribution dynamics

XLIII Annual Conference of the Italian Society of Statistics. Turin, Italy, June 9-11, 2006.

- Club Convergence And Cluster Persistence: A Novel Approach To Multivariate Convergence Analysis

Bridging the Gap: the Role of Trade and FDI in the Mediterranean, organized by ISSM-CNR. Naples, Italy, June 8-9, 2006.

- Convergence and FDI in the Mediterranean basin: an empirical evidence

XLIII Conference of the Italian Society of Economics, Demography and Statistics (SIEDS). Palermo, Italy, May 25-27, 2006.

- Sull'influenza degli investimenti diretti esteri nelle crescita economica regioni italiane: un'analisi non parametrica

Intermediate Conference of the Italian Society of Statistics 'Statistics and Environment'. Messina, Italy, September 21-23, 2005.

- The IPAT Model: An Empirical Evidence

XLII Conference of the Italian Society of Statistics. Bari, Italy, June 9-11, 2004.

- Persistency and convergence among EMP countries: a semi-parametric approach.

Italian Society of Economics, Demography and Statistics (SIEDS) XL Conference 'Statistics for Economic Analysis'. Campobasso, Italy, October 2-3, 2003.

- Il Partenariato Euro-Mediterraneo: prospettive e percorsi di integrazione

As invited speaker

IKNOW Project Launch Conference, Interreg Italy-Malta programme, Kore University of Enna, 10 October 2018.

Invited speech, conference on "Tourism and cultural assets", Kore University of Enna and Tourist District of Morgantina, Kore University of Enna, 29 May 2018.

'Tourism and authenticity: dynamics and demand', SoST project, Soft Skills for Tourism, University of Salento, Lecce, 9 March 2018.

'Ownership, organization structure and public service provision: The case of museums', research seminar, Department of Economics, University of Salento, 8 March 2018.

'Ownership, organizational structure and performance of public service provision: evidence from Italian museums', CERBE seminars. LUMSA University, Rome, Italy, February 20, 2017.

'L'accoglienza turistica extralberghiera, sviluppo e opportunità', conference organised by Confcommercio. Speech on "The evolution of non-hotel accommodation: the role of firm networks". Piazza Armerina, Italy, July 8, 2016.

Discussant for the regional conjunctural report 2015 for Sicily, Bank of Italy. Kore University of Enna, Italy, November 20, 2015.

'Duration of museum visit: the role of visitors' motivation'. University of Bologna, Rimini campus, October 13, 2015.

'Cluster analysis in tourism and cultural studies'. University of Sassari, Italy, June 18-19, 2015.

'Tourists and museum visit: assessing the role of motivation and cultural capital', KoreBE research seminars series. Kore University of Enna, Italy, June 10, 2015.

4th report on industrial firms in the South of Italy, Ugo La Malfa Foundation. Kore University of Enna, Italy, May 18, 2015.

'Tourists and museum visit: assessing the role of motivation and cultural capital', luncheon research seminar series. Free University of Bolzano-Bozen, Brunico-Brunec Campus, Italy, May 13, 2015.

'The Sicilian economy: some significant aspects', conference on 'Firms, credit, usury and legality'. Kore University of Enna, Italy, February 16, 2015.

Presentation of the book "The Economics of Tourism Destination" by G. Candela and P. Figini, Rimini, November 22, 2012

- Individual tourist expenditure and its determinants: indications from the literature

Conferences: Organization and Support

Scientific committee

TomSust – Workshop on Tourism Sustainability and Regional Development. Bruneck-Brunico, 5-6 November 2018.

First workshop on cultural and sport economics, organised by ACEI (Association of Cultural Economics International) at FELU (Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana), March 15, 2018.

6th Workshop 'Tourism and Transport Economics: Tourists as Consumers, Visitors and Travelers'. Guanajuato (Mexico), September 16-18, 2015.

TCVT3 2014 – Chair of the International workshop on Tourists as Consumers, Visitors, Travellers. Bozen/Bolzano (Italy), April 10-12, 2014.

CBTS 2013 – Consumer Behaviour in Tourism Symposium. Bruneck/Brunico (Italy), December 4-7, 2013.

TCVT2 2013 – Chair of the International workshop on Tourists as Consumers, Visitors, Travellers. Bruneck/Brunico (Italy), June 2-4, 2013.

TCVT 2012 – Chair of the International workshop on Tourists as Consumers, Visitors, Travellers. Enna (Italy), October 7-9, 2012.

Organizing committee

LRT – International Workshop on 'Local Resources for Tourism: from impact to growth'. Kore University of Enna, Italy, November 10-11, 2016.

TCVT3 2014 – International workshop on Tourists as Consumers, Visitors, Travellers. Free University of Bozen/Bolzano, Bozen/Bolzano (Italy), April 10-12, 2014.

TCVT2 2013 – International workshop on Tourists as Consumers, Visitors, Travellers. Free University of Bozen/Bolzano, Bruneck/Brunico (Italy), June 2-4, 2013.

TCVT 2012 – international workshop on Tourists as Consumers, Visitors, Travellers. Kore University of Enna, Enna (Italy), October 7-9, 2012.

First final PRIN 2007 conference 'Mobilità e comportamento dei turisti: studi e ricerche a confronto'. Palermo (Italy), November 4-5, 2010.

Intermediate PRIN 2007 workshop 'Mobilità e comportamento dei turisti: studi e ricerche a confronto'. Palermo (Italy), March 4-5, 2010.

Meeting of Italian Social Statisticians. Enna (Italy), September 11-13, 2009.

XLIII Scientific Meeting of the Italian Society of Economics, Demography and Statistics (SIEDS). Palermo (Italy), May 25-27, 2006.

Chairman

LRT – International Workshop on ‘Local Resources for Tourism: from impact to growth’. Kore University of Enna, Italy, November 10-11, 2016. Session ‘Cultural Resources’.

TCVT3 2014 – International workshop on Tourists as Consumers, Visitors, Travellers. Bozen/Bolzano (Italy), April 10-12, 2014. Session ‘Macroeconomics and policy’.

TCVT2 2013 – International workshop on Tourists as Consumers, Visitors, Travellers. Bruneck/Brunico (Italy), June 2-4, 2013. Session ‘Supply’.

CBTS 2012 – Consumer Behaviour in Tourism Symposium. Bruneck/Brunico (Italy), December 10-13, 2012. Session ‘QoL from the Perspective of Residents’.

TCVT 2012 – international workshop on Tourists as Consumers, Visitors, Travellers. Enna (Italy), October 7-9, 2012. Session ‘Tourists as Consumers’.

34th Annual Conference of the German Classification Society (GfKl) and International Symposium on the Data Analysis Interface. Karlsruhe (Germany), July 21-23, 2010. Session ‘Tourism’.

Discussant

I UniKore Workshop in Business & Economics (KoreBE) on ‘Differentiation, related variety and regional economic development: research issues and policy implications’. Kore University of Enna, Enna (Italy), May 17, 2016, with Ron Boschma, Andrea Conte, Sandro Montresor, Pier Paolo Saviotti.

55th Conference of the Italian Society of Economists (SIE). Trento, Italy, October 23-25, 2014. Session ‘Creative and Heritage Economics’.

International workshop ‘Advances in Tourism Research’. Palermo, Italy, November 3-5, 2013.

54th Conference of the Italian Society of Economists (SIE). Bologna, Italy, October 24-26, 2013. Session ‘Applied Econometrics’.

53rd Conference of the Italian Society of Economists. Matera (Italy), October 18-20, 2012. Session ‘Tourism’.

III World Conference of Spatial Econometrics. Barcelona (Spain) July 8-10, 2009. Session ‘Agriculture and Health’.

Academic research projects, as director

‘I KNOW - Interregional Key Networking for Open innovation empowerment’, Interreg V-A Italia-Malta Programme 2014-2020. Internal Coordinator for Kore University of Enna, since 2018.

‘Analysis of the tourism sector for testing the China Tourism Academy standards certification on FonARCom accommodation structures’, as scientific coordinator. Kore University of Enna, Italy, 2016.

‘Sicily and consumers: rights and protection’, financed by the Sicilian Region and the Italian Ministry for Economic Development, 2016-2018, as representative of Kore University of Enna, Italy.

‘Tourism and economic growth: the role of transportations and spatial contiguity’. School of Economics and Management, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy, 2013-2014.

‘Determinants of tourist expenditure: theory and microeconomic models’. School of Economics and Management, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy, 2012-2013.

Academic research projects, as member of the research team

Autonomous Province of Bolzano-Bozen research project 'Cultural and natural attractions as engines of tourism development. Analysing economic, social and cultural impact', financed to Prof. J.G. Brida (Free University of Bolzano-Bozen), 2012-2015.

'Entrepreneurship between social and human capital: empirical evidence, trends and experiences to be monitored' (coordinated by Dr. Giuseppe Notarstefano). CORI (International Relations Committee) project, University of Palermo - Dipartimento di Metodi Quantitativi per le Scienze Umane and London School of Economics and Political Sciences - ESOC Lab (Economic and Social Cohesion Laboratory, European Institute), 2009-2011.

PRIN (Research Programme of Relevant National Interest), 2007. 'Motivations of the 'actual' tourism in Sicily. Internal mobility and its economic traces (coordinated by Prof. Franco Vaccina)'. University of Palermo, Italy.

'Methods and problems of outcomes standardization in medicine' (coordinated by Prof. Stefano De Cantis). Ordinary research programme 'ex quota 60%', 2006, University of Palermo, Italy.

'Contagion and scale effect in the measurement of territorial gaps' (coordinated by Dr. Giuseppe Notarstefano). Ordinary research programme 'ex quota 60%', 2006, University of Palermo, Italy.

Innovation, occupation and economic growth (coordinated by Prof. Vincenzo Lo Jacono). President's Office of the Sicily Region, Italy, 2005.

'Structural models for regional economic development: the Sicilian case study' (coordinated by Dr. Giuseppe Notarstefano). Ordinary research programme 'ex quota 60%', 2005, University of Palermo, Italy.

'Comparing parametric and nonparametric methods for measuring territorial gaps' (coordinated by Prof. Miranda Cuffaro). Ordinary research programme 'ex quota 60%', 2005, University of Palermo, Italy.

'Measuring gaps between Countries or regions' (coordinated by Prof. Miranda Cuffaro). Ordinary research programme 'ex quota 60%', 2004, University of Palermo, Italy.

'Productive specialization, competitiveness and degree of openness of Sicily' (coordinated by Prof. Vincenzo Lo Jacono). Ordinary research programme 'ex quota 60%', 2004, University of Palermo, Italy.

'Demographic models for economics and finance' (coordinated by Prof. Vincenzo Lo Jacono). Ordinary research programme 'ex quota 60%', 2003, University of Palermo, Italy.

'Parametric and non parametric models for growth and convergence processes' (coordinated by Prof. Miranda Cuffaro). Ordinary research programme 'ex quota 60%', 2003, University of Palermo, Italy.

'Demographic models for economics and finance' (coordinated by Prof. Vincenzo Lo Jacono). Ordinary research programme 'ex quota 60%', 2002, University of Palermo, Italy.

'Analysis of social and economic effects of concealed labour in a small area' (coordinated by Prof. Ornella Giambalvo). Ordinary research programme 'ex quota 60%', 2002, University of Palermo, Italy.

University service

2017-present – Coordinator of the Curriculum in Economics and Management, Ph.D. Programme in 'Economics, Business and Law', Kore University of Enna, Italy.

2017-present – Vice Chair of the Joint Commission of the M.A. in ‘Economics and Business Administration’, Kore University of Enna, Italy

2017 – Member of the International Doctorate Thesis Committee, candidate Mrs. Veronika Rudchenko, thesis on ‘Customer satisfaction in Hospitality’, Department of Business Management, Faculty of Business and Economics of Reus, Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Spain.

2015-present – member of the teaching staff of the Ph.D. Programme in ‘Economics, Business and Law’, Kore University of Enna, Italy.

2015 – Commission for the redefinition of the study plan, M.A. in ‘Law’, Kore University of Enna, Italy.

2014-2017 – Vice Chair of the Joint Commission of the B.A. in ‘Defence and Security’, Kore University of Enna, Italy.

2014 – University-Enterprise Observatory, CRUI Foundation.

2012-2014 – Course Degree Council in ‘Economics and Management’, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy.

Other academic teaching activities

2018 – Erasmus+ project for teaching staff, University of Las Palmas en Gran Canaria, Spain.

2009-2011 - Teaching assistant, ‘Theories and Techniques of opinion polls’, Faculty of Education Sciences, University of Palermo, Italy.

2008-2011 - Teaching assistant, ‘Psychometric statistics’, Faculty of Education Sciences, University of Palermo, Italy

2007-2011 - Teaching assistant, ‘Economics statistics for territories’ and ‘Statistics for territories and environment’, Faculty of Economics, University of Palermo, Italy. Lecturer of seminars on spatial econometrics and multivariate statistics

2005-2011 - Teaching assistant, ‘Social Statistics’, University of Palermo, Italy

2003-2011 - Teaching assistant, ‘Economics Statistics and Statistical Methods for the Evaluation’ Faculty of Economics, University of Palermo. Lecturer of seminars for bachelor degree courses on statistical methods for evaluating public policies, time series analysis, national accountability, production and productivity

Other affiliations

Former TOMTE member – Competence Center in Tourism Management and Tourism Economics, Free University of Bozen/Bolzano, Italy

Other appointments

Member of the working group for post degree internships at the Sicily Region, as representative of the Kore University of Enna, 2018.

Member of the thematic permanent working group of the S3 Strategy for the Sicilian Region, topic “Tourism, cultural goods, culture”, since 2017.

South Africa’s National Research Foundation (NRF): assistance in evaluating the quality of the research outputs and standing of scholars, 2018.

Membership of scientific societies

SIE, Italian Society of Economists; IATE, International Association of Tourism Economics. Formerly member of SIEDS, Italian Society of Economy, Demography, Statistics; SIS, Italian Society of Statistics.

Guest Editorship

Tourism Economics (ISI Web of Science and Scopus indexed), Special Focus on 'Local Resources for Tourism: from Impact to Growth'.

Pasos – Revista de Turismo y Patrimonio Cultural, selection of contributions from TCVT Enna 2012 workshop, October 2013.

Referee for Journals

Anatolia; Annali della Facoltà di Economia dell'Università degli studi di Palermo; Annals of Tourism Research; Climatic change; Current Issues in Tourism; Decision Support Systems; E-conomics; e-Review of Tourism Research; Economia Politica; Expert Systems with Applications; Industry and Innovation; Information Technology & Tourism; International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management; International Journal of Culture, Tourism, and Hospitality Research; International Journal of Tourism Research; Italian Economic Journal; Journal of Cultural Economics; Journal of Destination Marketing and Management; Journal of Environmental Management; Journal of Leisure Research; Journal of Sustainable Tourism; Museum Management and Curatorship; Pasos; Physica A; Social Indicators Research; Tourism: an international interdisciplinary journal; Tourism Analysis; Tourism Economics; Tourism Management; Tourism Management Perspectives; Tourism and Hospitality Research; Tourism Planning and Development.

Other qualifications

Italian National Scientific Habilitation, 2016, as Full Professor in 13/A4 - Applied Economics.

Italian National Scientific Habilitation, 2012, as Associate Professor in:

- 13/A2 - Economic Policy
- 13/A4 - Applied Economics
- 13/D2 - Economics Statistics
- 13/D3 - Demography and Social Statistics