

Manuela Caiani - Curriculum Vitae

Personal Information

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Current Position: *Associate Professor* in political science
at the SNS of Pisa-Florence (Italy) &
Associate Faculty in the Research
Group 'European Integration',
Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS),
Vienna

Academic Qualifications

April. 2017 Abilitazione italiana Ordinario in scienza politica e sociologia politica

Dic. 2013 Abilitazione italiana Associato in scienza politica (SPS04)

Sept.13 2006 *Ph.D. in Political Science*, Faculty of Political Science, University of Florence.

Oct. 1 2001 *Laurea (BA)* in Political Science, University of Florence.

Languages

Italian (native language)
English (fluent)
French (good)
Spanish (basic)

Main Areas of Research

Social movements and Europeanisation
Political Mobilisation and the Internet
Right-wing extremism and populism in Europe and the USA
Qualitative Methods (SNA, Content analysis, interviews, PEA, surveys)
Terrorism and Political Violence

Professional Experience (academic and research positions)

March 2015 - *Associate Professor* in Political Science at the Scuola Normale Superiore of Florence-Pisa, Italy

March 2015- *Associate Faculty* in the Research Group ‘European Integration’, Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS), Vienna, Austria

March 2015- Member of the *Academic Senate SNS*; Member of the ‘Commission Communication’ SNS, Firenze, Italy

Oct 2010 – *Adjunct Professor*, Webster Vienna Private University, Austria

Aug 2016 - Dec 2016 Member of the expert group for the study of Political (jihadist) radicalization and extremism in Italy, Italian Government

Oct 2009 – March 2015 *Assistant Professor* in Political Science, Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS), Vienna, Austria

Aug 2011 - 2013 *Marie Curie Fellow*, Department of Political Science, University Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid, Spain

Nov 2005 - Dec 2009 *Post Doctoral Research Associate* at the EUI (European University Institute). Research project VETO on “Right Wing Extremism in Italy, Germany and the USA”, directed by D. Della Porta.

Dec 2006 - Mar 2007 *Research Support* to Expert Group on Violent Radicalisation, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium

2006 - 2007 *Affiliated Researcher* (CONNEX network-Connecting Excellence on European Governance). Research group on “Civil Society, Social Capital and Multilevel Governance in Europe”, directed by J. Van Deth and W. Maloney, EC (FP IV)

2002 - 2005 *Research assistant* at the University of Florence for the EC-funded project Europub.Com on the “Europeanisation of the Public Sphere”, directed by R. Koopmans (FP V)

2001 - 2002 *Research assistant* at the University of Florence, for the research group GRACE (Research group for the study of collective action in Europe)

2001 - 2002 *Affiliated Researcher* (ESF- Network) for the project on “Active Citizenship, Participation and Democracy” (CID), European Science Foundation, Mannheim, Germany

Research Grants and Fellowships

Sept. 2016-2019	<i>PRIN</i> (Italian Research Ministry Funds) Project, (settore SH - Social Sciences and Humanities), "Politics e Policy in Europa in tempo di crisi: Cause e Conseguenze", Head of the Unity SNS (responsabile di Unità)
June 2016 - Jun 2018	<i>SNS Research Grant</i> (projects for professors and young scholars), received from the Scuola Normale Superiore of Pisa for the project "Right-Wing Political Radicalization Using the Internet in Eastern and Central Europe", Italy
Aug 2011 - 2013	<i>Marie Curie Fellowship</i> received by the European Commission for the project "How Political Violence Ends: A Comparative Analysis of Extremist Social Movements in Italy and Spain" (FP7-PEOPLE-2009-IEF, n° 252957), University Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid, Spain
Feb 2011 - Jun 2012	<i>Research Grant Jubilaumsfonds</i> , received from the ONB (Oesterreichische National Bank) for the project "The Dark Side of the Web: European and American Extreme Right Groups and online Politics" (project n. 14035), IHS, Vienna, Austria
Dec 2012	<i>Lazarsfeld Award</i> , for the contribution to the co-authored volume Caiani et al. 2012, "Mobilizing on the Extreme Right: Germany, Italy, and the United States", Oxford, Oxford University press, IHS, Vienna, Austria.
Aug 2009 - Jul 2010	<i>Post-Doctoral TRA Fellowship</i> , received by START (Center of Excellence for the Study of Terrorism, USA) for the project on "Politics on-line: Extreme Right movements in Europe and the USA"
Aug 2008	<i>Fellowship</i> for the participation at the Summer School "Confronting Cold War Conformity: Peace and Protest Cultures in Europe, 1945-1989," Marie Curie Event, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic
Dec 2005	<i>Funding Award</i> from the Italian CNR (Italian Research Council). Project on "Cultural Identity, Multiculturalism and European Integration"

Teaching Experience and Guest Lectures

PhD Level:

Winter I 2017	<i>Course</i> , Methodological Practices in Social Movement Studies, SNS, Florence
Nov-Dec. I 2016	<i>Course</i> , Qualitative Research Methods in international Studies, PhD programs in International Studies, University of Trento, School of International Studies.

Fall 2016	<i>Course</i> , Europeanization from Below: European integration and civil society
29 June-1 July	<i>Course</i> on Qualitative Methods in Social Research, for the EACEA (Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency), European Commission, Bruxelles (contract n. CT-EX2016D278307-101).
2-3 May 2016	<i>Seminar</i> , The Causes of violent radicalization and social movements, International PhD in Criminology, Transcrime, Cattolica University, Milan.
Spring I 2016	<i>Course</i> , Introduction to Methodology III, SNS, Florence
Winter I 2016	<i>Course</i> , Qualitative Research Methods in international Studies, Phd programs in International Studies, University of Trento, School of International Studies.
Fall 2015	<i>Course</i> , Methodological Practices in Social Movement Studies, SNS, Florence
Spring 2015	<i>Course</i> , Europeanization from Below: European integration and civil society
08/05/2014	<i>Lecture</i> , 'The causes of violent radicalization leading to terrorism', Transcrime Doctoral program, Catholic University of Milan, Milan.
11/12/2013	<i>Seminar</i> , 'Il Web Nero: organizzazioni di estrema destra e politica online', Luiss University, Rome, Italy.
10/12/2013	<i>Lecture</i> , 'European and American Extreme Right Groups and the Internet', University of Siena, Italy.
04/12/2013	<i>Lecture</i> , 'Studying the extreme right through the lens of social movement theory', the Centre for Social Movement Research at Gothenburg University, Gothenburg.
25/11/2013	<i>Lecture</i> , 'European and American Extreme Right Groups and the Internet', University of Pisa, Italy.
Fall 2013	<i>Course</i> , on Qualitative Methods, Department of Political Science, IHS-Institute for Advanced Studies, Wien, Austria.
17/09/2013	<i>Seminar</i> , on 'Social Network Analysis and Social Movement Research', the ECPR Summer School of the Standing Group on Participation and Mobilization, Centre for Social Movement Studies, European University Institute, Florence.
18/04/2013	<i>Seminar</i> , on "Social Network Analysis: How and When in Social Movement Research", Methodological seminar, European University Institute, Florence.

- 21/04/2013 *Lecture*, 'Extreme right movements and online politics', MZES (the Mannheim Centre for European Social Research) colloquium, University of Mannheim.
- Spring 2011 *Course*, on Qualitative Methods, Department of Political Science, IHS-Institute for Advanced Studies, Wien, Austria.
- 26/10/2010 *Lecture*, on 'Extreme right organizations and the European Union: frames and discourses of right wing actors in Italy and Germany', Jean Blondel lectures' series, University of Siena.
- 30/08 - 4/09/2010 *Seminar*, at the Summer School on 'Current Themes in the Research of the Non-profit Sector and Civil Society in Europe', CVNS Summer School, University of Brno, Czech Republic.
- Apr 2009 *Guest speaker* at the 'Case Study Methodologies Workshop', RAND Corporation and (DHS S&T), Washington DC, USA.
- Jun 2008 *Teaching Assistant*, University of Florence, 'The Europeanisation of Contentious Politics', within the PhD program in Sociology.
- Apr 2008 *Teaching Assistant*, University of Florence, 'A European Civil Society? Networks and Mobilisation of Social Movements in Europe', within the course 'Sociology of Europe'.
- Feb 2008 *Seminar*, 'How to Build a Codebook', within the PhD program in Political Science at SUM-Istituto di Scienze Umane, Florence.
- Dec 2007 *Seminar*, 'The Analysis of Documents: Frame Analysis and Claim-making Analysis', within the PhD program in Political Science at SUM-Istituto di Scienze Umane, Florence.

Undergraduate Level:

- Spring I 2015 *Course* 'Topics in Comparative Politics: Political Mobilization and Non-state actors, Department of International Relations, Webster University, Wien.
- Fall II 2014 *Course* 'The Art Case Studies and Textual Analysis', Department of International Relations, Webster University, Wien.
- Fall II 2013 *Course* 'The Art Case Studies and Qualitative Approaches to IR', Department of International Relations, Webster University, Wien.
- Spring 2013 *Course* 'Qualitative Methods', Department of International Relations, Webster University, Wien.
- 07/11/2012 *Seminar* 'Social Movements and Political Violence', Webster University, Wien.

10/10/2012	<i>Lecture</i> 'Right Wing Extremist Social Movements and Political Violence on the Web', University of Brno, Czech Republic.
07/09/2012	<i>Seminar</i> 'Social Movements and the Causes of Violent Radicalization', Webster University, Wien.
Fall I 2011	<i>Course</i> 'Italy and the EU', Department of International Relations, Lorenzo de Medici University, Florence.
11/11/2011	<i>Seminar</i> 'Civil society associations and How to Study Them II', Webster University, Wien.
10/11/2011	<i>Lecture</i> on 'Extreme Right Mobilization in Europe', Inex Talks, University of Wien.
9/11/2011	<i>Lecture</i> 'Extreme Right Movements and Internet Politics', University of Brno, Czech Republic.
05/10/2011	<i>Seminar</i> 'Civil society associations and How to Study Them I', Webster University, Wien.
23/05/2011	<i>Lecture</i> on 'Social Movements and Political Communication on the Web', Department of Political Science, University of Pisa.
20/05/2011	<i>Lecture</i> on 'New Social Movements in Europe', Jean Monnet seminars' series, Department of Sociology and Political Science, University of Florence.
Dec 2009	<i>Teaching assistant</i> , course of International Relation, University of Florence, on 'The causes of violent political radicalization' (two units).
May 2009	<i>Teaching Assistant</i> , course in Sociology of Europe, University of Florence, on 'Anti-Europeism and the Extreme Right in Europe'.
Spring 2009	<i>Course</i> on 'Political Science', Dept. of Political Science, University of Florence.
Spring 2009	<i>Course</i> on 'Economics of the European Union', Department of International Relations, American University Lorenzo de Medici, Florence.
Fall 2008	<i>Course</i> on "Political Movements in Europe', Department of International Relations, American University of Rome, Rome.
Apr. 2007	<i>Teaching Assistant</i> , 'Political Radicalization and Violence', seminar (two units), NYU, Florence.

Publications

Books:

1. Manuela Caiani and Simona Guerra (eds.), 2017, *Euroscepticism, democracy and the media: Communicating Europe, Contesting Europe*, Palgrave Studies in European Political Sociology Series.
2. Manuela Caiani and Linda Parenti, 2013, *European and American Extreme Right Groups and the Internet*, Ashgate.
3. Manuela Caiani and Linda Parenti, 2013, *Web Nero: Organizzazioni di estrema destra ed Internet*, Bologna, Il Mulino.
4. Manuela Caiani, Donatella della Porta and Claudius Wagemann, 2012, *Mobilizing on the Extreme Right: Germany, Italy, and the United States*, Oxford, Oxford University press.
5. Manuela Caiani, 2011, *L'Europeizzazione degli attori domestici: policy networks, mobilitazione e frames sull'Europa*, Roma, Bonanno Editore.
6. Donatella della Porta and Manuela Caiani, 2009, *Social Movements and Europeanisation*, Oxford, Oxford University Press.
7. Donatella della Porta and Manuela Caiani, 2006, *Quale Europa? Europeizzazione, identità e conflitti*, Bologna, Il Mulino.

Chapters in Books:

8. Caiani, M. (forthcoming 2017), "Nationalism, Populism and the re-birth of nationhood in Europe", in Grimmel (ed.), A., *The Crisis of the European Union: Challenges, Analyses, Solutions*, Abingdon, Oxon, Routledge.
9. Caiani, M. and Pavan (forthcoming 2017), "Inconvenient Solidarities. How far-right organizations coalesce online around the construction of an anti-European frame", Grimmel, A. (eds.), *Solidarity and its crisis in the European Union*, Nomos.
10. Caiani, M. (forthcoming 2017), "Extreme Right: Cross-National Links and International Cooperation", in Jens Rydgren (ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of the Radical Right* (Oxford University Press), Oxford.
11. Caiani, M. and della Porta D. (forthcoming 2017), "The extreme right as social movement", in Jens Rydgren (ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of the Radical Right* (Oxford University Press), Oxford.
12. Pavan, E. and Caiani, M. 2017, "Not in my Europe. Extreme right online networks and their contestation of EU legitimacy", in Caiani, M. and S., Guerra (eds.), *Euroscepticism, democracy and the media: Communicating Europe, Contesting Europe*, Palgrave MacMillan.

13. Caiani M. and Guerra, S. 2017, "Communicating Europe, Contesting Europe: An Introduction", in Caiani, M. and S., Guerra (eds.), *Eurocepticism, democracy and the media: Communicating Europe, Contesting Europe*, Palgrave MacMillan.
14. Guerra, S. and Caiani, M . 2017, "Europe Facing New Challenges of Contestation and Communication: Conclusion", in Caiani, M. and S., Guerra (eds.), *Eurocepticism, democracy and the media: Communicating Europe, Contesting Europe*, Palgrave MacMillan.
15. Caiani, M. and Kluknavska, A., (2017), "Extreme right, the Internet and European Politics in CEE countries: the cases of Slovakia and Czech Republic", in Barisione, M. and A., Michailidou (eds.), *Social media and European politics: Rethinking power and legitimacy in the digital era*, Palgrave Macmillan.
16. Caiani, M. and R. Borri (2016), "Beyond party politics: The search for a unified approach: Research on Right wing movements in Europe", in G., Accornero and O., Fillieule (eds.) *Social Movement Studies in Europe: The State of the Art*, NY_Oxford: Berghahn Books, ch 4, pp.69-85.
17. Caiani, M., (2014) "Social Network Analysis", in della Porta, D. (ed.), *Methodological Practices In Social Movement Research*, Oxford University Press, pp. 368-396.
18. Caiani, M. and Borri, R., 2014, "Radical Activism in Europe and the USA: For What, Whom and Why?", in M. McCaughey (ed.), *Cyberactivism on the Participatory Web*, Routledge, pp. 182-207.
19. Caiani, M. and Parenti, L., 2013, 'Extreme Right Organisations and Online Politics: A Comparative Analysis on Five Western Democracies', in Paul G. Nixon, Rajash Rawal and Dan Mercea (eds.) *Politics and the internet in Comparative Context*, London: Routledge, pp. 135-153.
20. Caiani, M. and L., Parenti, 2013, "The Italian Extreme Right and its Use of the Internet: A bifront Actor?", in A. Mammone, E. Godin and B. Jenkins, (eds.), *Varieties of Right-Wing Extremism in Europe*, Routledge, pp. 217-232.
21. Caiani, M., 2012, 'Extremism', in Snow, D., della Porta, D., Klandermans, B., and McAdam D. *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Social and Political Movements*, Blackwell Publishing, Oxford, pp. 440-2.
22. Caiani, M., 2012, 'Populism/populist movements', in Snow, D., della Porta, D., Klandermans, B., and McAdam D. *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Social and Political Movements*, Blackwell Publishing, Oxford, 990-4.
23. Caiani, M. and M., Ferrer-Fons, 2010, "Voluntary Associations and Support for Europe", in Maloney, W.& van Deth, J. (eds.) *Contextualizing Civil Society: A Comparative Analysis of Active Citizens in European Communities*, London: Routledge, pp.129-155.

24. Lelieveldt, H. and Caiani, M., 2007, "The Political Role of Associations" Chapter 9, in William Maloney and Sigrid Rossteutcher (eds.), *Organizations as Participatory Vehicles? A Comparative Perspective on Citizen Involvement and Democracy*, Routledge: London, pp. 175-192.
25. della Porta, D. and Caiani, M. 2007, "Eurosceptics or Critical Europeanists? Civil Society Actors and Europe", ch.11, in Claes de Vreese and Herman Schmitt (eds.), *A European Public Sphere: How Much of it do we have and how much do we need?*, Connex Report Series Nr.02, Mannheim, pp. 330-363.
26. della Porta, D. and Caiani, M., 2007, "Social Movements in a multilevel Europe", in Otfried J., D. Lachenmeier, e A. Stenier (eds.), *Entgrenzte Demokratie – Herausforderungen für die politische Kommunikation*, Nomos, Baden-Baden, pp.163-180.
27. della Porta, D. and Caiani, M. 2007, "Addressing Europe: How domestic actors perceive European institutions and how they try to influence them", in J. La Croix and R. Coman (a cura di), *La Résistance à l'Europe*, Edition de l'Université de Bruxelles, pp.187-210.

Scientific Articles:

28. Caiani, M. (2017 forthcoming), "Radical Right Wing Movements: Who, When, How and Why?" In *Sociopedia, Sociopedia.isa*
29. Pavan, E. and Caiani, M., (forthcoming 2017), "Solidarietà Sconvenienti. Reticoli di estrema destra contro l'Europa e proposte per riformarla". In *Comunicazione Politica Journal (ComPol)*.
30. Caiani, M. and Kroel, P. (2017, forthcoming) "Nationalism and Populism in Radical-Right wing discourses in Italy and Germany". In B. De Cleen and Y. Stavrakakis (eds) 'Javnost - The Public' Special Issue on "Populism, Nationalism and the Media".
31. Caiani, M. and Kluknavska, A., "Extreme Right networks and discourses of opposition to the EU in Central and Eastern Europe", *East European Society and Politics*, under review.
32. Caiani, M. and Graziano, P. 2016, "Varieties of Populism: Insights from the Italian Case", in *Italian Political Science Review*, 46 (2), 243-267.
33. Caiani, M. 2015, "Symposium on Mario Diani's book: An introduction", in *Partecipazione e Conflitto*, Vol.8, n. 3, pp876-886.
34. Caiani, M. and P. Kroel, 2014, "A Transnational Extreme Right? New Right-Wing Tactics and the Use of the Internet", *International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice*, 39(3), pp.1-21.
35. Caiani, M., 2014, Le grandi contraddizioni della destra populista, "il Mulino", n. 473, 3/2014, pp. 450-458.

36. Caiani, M. and Conti, N., 2014, "In the Name of the People: The Euroscepticism of the Italian Radical Right", *Perspectives on European Politics and Society*, 15:2, pp. 183-197.
37. Caiani M. and Borri, R., 2013, "The Extreme Right, Violence and Other Action Repertoires: An Empirical Study on two European Countries", in *Perspectives on European Politics and Society*, Vol. 14, Issue 4, pp. 562-581.
38. Borri, R. and Caiani, M., 2012, *Violenza politica e strategie di azione: uno studio empirico sulle organizzazioni di estrema destra in Italia e Spagna*, in *Partecipazione e Conflitto*, Anno V, n. 2/2012, pp.5-30.
39. Caiani, M. and della Porta, D., 2011, "The Elitist Populism of the Extreme Right: A Frame Analysis of Extreme Right Wing Discourses in Italy and Germany", in *Acta Politica*, Vol 46, n. 2, pp.180-202.
40. Caiani, M., 2011, *L'estrema destra in Italia fra passato e presente: il discorso sulla globalizzazione* in *Società, Mutamento e Politica*, issn 2038-3150, vol. 2, n. 3, pp. 133-151.
41. Caiani, M. and Parenti, L., 2011, "The Cyber-Hate in Spain: Extreme Right Organizations and the Internet", in *Análise Social*, vol. XLVI (201), 2011, 719-740
42. Marchi, R., Caiani, M. and Bulli, G., 2011, "L'estrema destra nel Sud Europa: una Introduzione", in *Análise Social*, vol. XLVI (201), 2011, 625-632.
43. Caiani, M. and Parenti, L., 2009, "The Dark Side of the Web: Italian Right-Wing Extremist Groups and the Internet" in *South European Society & Politics*, Volume 14, Issue, 3, September, pp. 273 – 294.
44. Caiani, M. and Wagemann, C., 2009, "Online Networks of the Italian and German Extreme Right: An Explorative Study with Social Network Analysis", in *Information, Communication & Society*, Volume 12, No 1, pp. 66-109.
45. Caiani, M., 2009, "Networks e mobilitazione sull'Europa: quale la partecipazione dei movimenti sociali?", in *Partecipazione e conflitto*, n. 2, pp. 75-111.
46. Caiani, M. and Wagemann, C., 2007, "The Rise and the Fall of the Extreme Right in Europe: Towards an Explanation?", in *Modernitaly*, Taylor & Francis, November, Issues 3, Vol 12, pp. 376-388.
47. della Porta, D. and Caiani, M., 2007, "Europeanization from Below? Social movements and Europe", in *Mobilization: An International Journal*, 12(1), pp. 101-116.
48. della Porta, D. and Caiani, M., 2007, "Talking Europe in the Italian Public Sphere", in *South European Society & Politics*, Vol. 12, No. 1, March 2007, pp. 1–21.
49. della Porta, D. and Caiani, M., 2006, "The Europeanization of Public Discourse in Italy: A Top-Down Process?", in *European Union Politics*, Vol. 7, No. 1, pp. 77-112.

50. Caiani, M. and Andretta, M., 2005, "Social Movements in Italy" in *Journal of Southern Europe and the Balkans*, Vol. 7, n. 3, pp. 283-298.
51. della Porta, M. and Caiani, M., 2005, "Di cosa si parla, quando si parla d'Europa?" in *Il Mulino*, 56, n. 421, pp. 937-948.
52. della Porta, D. and Caiani, M., 2004, "L'europeizzazione della sfera pubblica in Italia: Un processo top-down?" in *Rivista italiana di Scienza Politica*, 34, pp. 459- 489.
53. Caiani, M., 2003, "Capitale sociale e partecipazione politica: associazioni e attivisti a Firenze", in *Polis*, pp. 61-92.

Book Reviews & working papers:

54. Caiani, M. 2014, *Anti-Europe Political Parties: Will they Conquer the EU?* Standpunkt paper, 22/2014, IHS, Institute for Advanced Studies, Vienna, Austria.
55. Caiani, M., 2014, "Radical Right Wing Mobilization and Discourses on Europe in Time of Crisis", *Innovative Democracy WP Series*, Osterreichische Forschungsgemeinschaft, Austrian Research Association, Vienna, Austria, <http://www.oefg.at/oeffentlichkeit/publikationen/online/#zukunft-der-demokratie>
56. Caiani, M. and Borri, R., 2011, "Between violent and non-violent action strategies: a study on extreme-right organizations in Italy and Spain, WP Political Science Series n.121, IHS, Institute for Advanced Studies, Vienna, Austria.
57. Caiani, M. and della Porta, D., 2010, "Extreme Right and Populism", WP Political Science Series n.130, IHS, Institute for Advanced Studies, Vienna, Austria.
58. Caiani, M., 2010, book review "Italy Today: The sick Man of Europe", by Mammone & Veltri (eds.), in *Bulletin of Italian Politics*, Routledge, Vol. 2, No. 1, pp. 181-198.
55. Caiani, M., 2007, "Italian Neofascism: The Strategy of Tension and the Politics of Non reconciliation", by Anna Cento Bull, book review in *Electronic Newsletter of the ECPR-SG on Extremism & Democracy*, Berghahn Books, Vol. 9, No. 4, December.

Conferences

Section/panel Chair at national and international conferences:

Workshop organized

9-10 Nov. 2017 (with Graziano, P.) "Party Realignment, Economic Crisis and Varieties of Populism in Europe", workshop for the *West European Politics* special issue (forthcoming 2018/2019). SNS, Florence.

26 May 2016 (with Trenz H. J.) "Global Moral Spectatorship in the age of Social Media", Workshop, SNS, Florence.

18 March 2016 (with Guerra, S.): "*EUROSCEPTICISM, DEMOCRACY AND THE MEDIA Communicating Europe, Contesting Europe*", workshop SNS, Florence Italy.

Section chair

Section chair (with Diani, M.), 2016, *EU civil society and social mobilization, for the SGEU- ECPR 8th Pan-European Conference on the European Union 'The Union's Institutional and Constitutional Transformations: Stress or Adaptation?'* University of Trento, 16-18 June 2016

Section chair (with de Nardis, F.), *SISP*, University of Cosenza, Sept. 2015.

Panel chair

Prague, 7-10 Sept. 2016 ECPR General Conference, Charles University Panel Chair, "Rethinking Relations Between Southern Europe and the EU"

Panel chair, "Social Movements", European Graduate Network Conference, CEU Budapest, 2016, 6-8 April.

Panel chair (with Graziano, P.) "Social movements and policy change" at the ICPP (International Conference of Public Policy) Conference, Milano, 1-4 July, 2015.

Panel (with Simon Teune) "Radical Right mobilization in Western Democracies", *SISP Annual Congress*, September 11-13th, 2014, University of Perugia, Perugia.

Panel (with Graziano, P.) "Social movements and policy change: theoretical approaches and empirical findings" at the IPSA Conference, Montreal 19-24 July, 2014.

Panel1 (with Moro, F.) "How violence ends: Micro, meso and macro analysis of insurgents, terrorists, and the way out of conflict"; panel 2 "Extreme Right Mobilisation in Western Democracies and the Middle East in the Era of Globalisation and Economic Crisis", at the ECPR (Consortium for Political Research Conference) of Bordeaux, 4-7th September 2013.

Panel (with Borri, R.) "Extreme Right mobilization in Western Democracies and Middle East in the era of Globalization and Economic crisis", at the ECPR general Conference, Bordeaux, 4-7th September 2013.

Panel (with Moro, F.) "Quando finisce la violenza Politica: Dinamiche di contesto ed individuali di uscita dal conflitto", *SISP (Società Italiana di Scienza Politica) Annual Congress*, September 13-15th, 2012, Rome.

Panel (with Profeti, S.) "Reti, arene e altre metafore: l'analisi delle configurazioni decisionali e di potere nelle politiche locali" at the *SISP (Società Italiana di Scienza Politica) Annual Congress*, September 8-10th, 2011, Palermo.

Panel (with Marchi, R.) "Oltre partiti ed elezioni: una nuova destra radicale europea?", at the *SISP (Società Italiana di Scienza Politica) Annual Congress*, September 17-18th, 2009, Rome.

Panel “On the Borderline between Protest and Violence: Political Movements of the New Radical Right”, at the ECPR General Conference, September 10-12th, 2009, Potsdam, Germany.

Papers presented at national and international conferences:

San Francisco (USA), August 2017, APSA Conference, paper “Party Realignment, Economic Crisis and Varieties of Populism in Europe”.

June 2017, Singapore, the ICPP3 Conference, paper “The Role of Social Movements in the Policy Process: the case of the STOP-TTIP Campaign”.

STALS (Sant’Anna Legal Studies), 11 April 2017, Conference ‘Constitutional Homogeneity and Rule of Law in the European Union: An Interdisciplinary Dialogue’, paper “Extreme right movements in central and eastern Europe: mobilization, networks, frames”.

EUI (Fiesole), 10/4/2017, Conference ‘Constitutionalist resistance to authoritarianism and populism?’, paper “ ‘Right wing extremist networks and discourses against the EU in Slovakia and Czech Republic”.

Frankfurt, 2-4 March 2017, International Dissidence Conference, invited speaker, paper „Populism and the European crisis in Europe: Insights from the Italian case“.

Frankfurt Oder, 19-20 Oct. 2016, International Conference at the European University Viadrina, paper “Introductory round table: The Extreme Right and the Discourse about Gender”.

Florence, 6-8 Oct. 2016, ESA (European Sociological Association) RN 25 Social movements Mid Term Conference, paper “Mobilizing in hard times: the EU crisis and the spreading of the protest against the TTIP”, Scuola Normale Superiore.

Trento, 16-18 June 2016, ECPR SGEU the 8th Pan European Conference on the EU, paper “Europeanisation and Social Movements: The Case of the Stop-TTIP campaign”.

ECPR Conference, April. 2016, Charles University: paper 1 "Europeanisation and Social Movements: The Case of the Stop-TTIP campaign"; paper 2 “Varieties of Populism: Insights from the Italian case, paper 3 “Extreme right online networks and discourses of opposition to the EU in Central and Eastern Europe”

Hong Kong 2016, June 10-11, paper “Europeanisation and Social Movements: The Case of the Stop-TTIP” (No.: T01P06-01) , HKU-USC-IPPA Conference on Public Policy (CPPHK).

Hamburg, 2-3 June 2016 , paper “United in Scepticism: The Rise of Populist and Right wing parties in the EU”, Interdisciplinary Conference on “Solidarity and Its Crisis”, University of Hamburg.

London, Nov. 18-22, 2015, Keynote speaker, "Radical Politics Online: Empirical evidences from the Extreme Right in Europe and the USA", Lunch seminars, Political extremism (VOX-Pol) project, King's College.

Budapest, Nov. 10-12, 2015, Keynote speaker, "extreme right movements in Europe and the U.S.", Workshop on Mobilization and the Picture of the Enemy, ELTE Faculty of Social Sciences.

ECPR General Conference 2015 (Montreal, Canada), 26-29 August, 2015, paper "Movements vs. Parties? A Classification of Possible Interactions".

Berlin, 10-11th Nov. 2014, paper "Contemporary challenges to political parties: Empirical and normative issues", The Berlin Workshops, Humboldt University.

Perugia, 11-13th Sept. 2014, paper "Nuovi media e democrazia: organizzazioni di estrema destra ed Internet nelle democrazie occidentali", SISP Annual Congress, Sept.11-13th, University of Perugia.

London, 28-29th August, 2014, Keynote speaker, "Extreme Right Movements and on line Politics", Conference on online political extremism (VOX-Pol project), King's College.

Montreal, 19-24th July 2014, paper "Far Right Organizations and the Internet: Challenges and Opportunities", panel 'Internet and Politics' IPSA Conference, Canada.

Montreal, 19-24th July 2014, paper "Political Actions Beyond Elections: An Empirical Study on the Current Extreme Right in Western Democracy", IPSA Conference, Canada.

Trento, 11th July 2014, paper "the role of (transnational) extreme right social movements and the public sphere in European democratization", Workshop on "A Political Sociology of European Democracy", Dept. of Sociology, University of Trento.

Washington, D.C., USA, March 14-16, 2014 "The Transnationalization of the Extreme Right", session 'Elections, Culture, and Style: Extending the Influence of the Far Right', the 21st International Conference of Europeanists (CES).

Chicago, USA, April 3-6, 2014, "The Power of online networks for the Extreme Right: coordination, identity, mobilization", Section 39, MPSA Conference.

Florence, Italy, Sept. 13-15th, 2013, "Far-Right Organizations and the Internet: Challenges and Opportunities", Conference SISP Annual Congress, University of Florence.

Vienna, Austria, Nov. 9-10th, 2012, "Extreme Right Protest and Democracy: Violence and Beyond in six Western countries", ÖFG (Austrian Research Association) Conference on 'Civil Society and Democracy'.

Milan, Italy, 30 Nov.–1 Dec. 2012, “Extreme Right Movements and Online Political Participation”, ESA (European Sociological Association) RN32 Mid-term Conference, University of Milano.

Rome, Italy, Sept. 13-15th, 2012, “Populism and the Extreme Right: An Empirical Study on Germany and Italy”, Conference SISP Annual Congress, University of Rome.

Madrid, July 8-12th, 2012 “Extreme-Right Organizations and Online Politics: A Comparative Analysis on Five Western Democracies”, IPSA (International Political Science Association) Conference, University Computense.

Madrid, July 8-12th, 2012 “Between violent and non-violent action strategies: a study on extreme-right organizations in Italy and Spain”, IPSA Conference, University Computense

New York, June 6-9th, 2012, “The Extreme Right and online politics”, John Jay International Conference, at John Jay College, New York NY 10019.

Reykjavik, Iceland, August 24-27, 2011, paper 1 “Extreme Right Movements and on line Politics: Identity building, Mobilization and Organization through the Web”; paper 2 “Between violent and non-violent action strategies: a comparative study on the Italian and Spanish far-right in context.”, ECPR Conference, University of Reykjavik.

Bielefeld, Germany, April. 6-8, 2011, “Right wing extremist movements and the political use of the Internet in Italy and Spain”, Conference on Processes of Radicalization and De-Radicalization, Center for Interdisciplinary Studies (ZIF), University of Bielefeld.

Washington DC (USA), Sept. 27-29, 2010, “Right-Wing Extremist Organisations and their use of the Internet: A comparative Study on the American and European Extreme Right”, Annual START Conference, University of Maryland.

Venice, Sept. 16-18th 2010, “Cambiamenti culturali per l’estrema destra: Internet come strumento di comunicazione e mobilitazione politica nell’estrema destra Italiana e Spagnola”, SISP Annual Conference, University of Venice.

Munster, Germany 22-27th March, 2010, “Right-Wing Extremist Groups and Online Networks: Construction of Identity, Source of Mobilization and Organization”, ECPR Joint session (workshop 7 ‘Network Governance and the Governance of Networks: Social Network Analysis in Political Science’), University of Munster.

Washington DC, Sept. 24-26th, 2009, “Political Violence and Right-Wing Extremist Organisations in the USA”, START annual Conference, University of Maryland.

Potsdam, Germany, Sept. 10-12th, 2009, “How Many Extreme Rights’? Subcultural Right-Wing Organisations in Italy and Germany”, ECPR General Conference, September 10-12th, 2009, University of Potsdam.

Lisbon, Portugal, Sept. 2-5th, 2009, “Radicalisation and the Discourse of Race and Religion. A comparative Analysis of Extreme Right in Italy and Germany”, ESA (European sociological Association) Conference.

Washington D. C., Sept. 18th-20th, 2009, "Structural, Cognitive and Action Components of Processes of Radicalization", START annual Conference, University of Maryland, Washington DC.

Pavia, Sept. 4-6th 2008, "Right-Wing Extremist Groups and Internet; a research on the Italian case", SISP annual Conference, University of Pavia.

Prague, August 18-25th 2008, "The Extreme Right in Italy between the Past and the Present: Framing Activity and Radicalisation Process", ECPR Summer school "Confronting Cold War Conformity: Peace and Protest Cultures in Europe, 1945-1989," Charles University.

Amsterdam, 25-27 July 2008, "Radicalisation and the Discourse of Race and Religion. A comparative Analysis of Extreme Right in Italy and Germany", ESF Workshop on 'Politicization and Radicalization', VU University.

London, 26-27 June 2008, "Radicalization processes of young people: the analysis of extreme right groups in Italy and Germany", ESF workshop on "Youth and Radicalization", Metropolitan University.

Florence, 9th-10th May 2008, "Radical Right Movements in the EU: Comparative Perspectives", Cinefogo-CONNEX's workshop, Conference on "Populism and Civil Society", European University Institute.

Catania, Italy, Sept. 2007, "Networks e mobilitazione sull'Europa: quale la partecipazione dei movimenti sociali?", SISP annual Conference, University of Catania.

Washington DC., June 26-28th, 2007, "The Italian and German Extreme right: first preliminary results", Annual meetings of START, University of Maryland.

Cortona (Italy), Oct. 0-22th 2007, "The Other 'No Global': the discourses of extreme right groups on globalization", International Cortona Colloquium, Conference on Transnational Social Movements, Fondazione Feltrinelli.

Bologna, Sept. 2006, "The framing of the Radical Right Discourse. The Example of the German Extreme Right", SISP annual conference, panel on "movimenti, partiti, istituzioni", University of Bologna.

Brussels, March 16-17, 2006, "Addressing Europe: How domestic actors perceive European institutions and how they try to influence them", International Conference on 'Resisting Europe', Université libre de Bruxelles.

Budapest, Sept. 2005, "The Europeanisation of Public Opinion? Public Debates and Images of Europe in a Cross-time", ECPR Conference.

Uppsala, Sweden, April 2004, "Europeanisation and the Civil Society in the Public Sphere: Some results from a research on claims-making in Italy", ECPR Conference- Joint Sessions.

Edinburgh, March 28-April 2, 2003, "Social Movements and Public Sphere: The Case of Italy during the 1990s", ECPR joint session.

Berlin, June 2003, "Forms of Europeanization of the public sphere in Italy in a cross-time, cross-issue and cross-media perspective" International conference on "Europeanisation of Public Spheres? Political Mobilisation, Public Communication, and the European Union", WZB.

Trento, June 2003, "Social movements and the Public Sphere: the case of Italy during the 90th", Graduate Conference on "Globalization, conflicts, and social movements", University of Trento.

Durban, South Africa, 29 June – 4th July 2003, "Forms of Europeanization of the Public Sphere in Italy in a Cross-time, Cross-issue and Cross-media perspective", 19th IPSA World Congress.

Genoa, 18-20th Sept.2002, "Capitale sociale, associazioni e democrazia deliberativa: associazioni e attivisti a Firenze", SISP annual Conference, panel on 'Deliberative Democracy'.

Workshop

Seminar on "Continuidad Y cambio del terrorismo global" XI edition of the seminar of studies on terrorism (SPET), Ortega Y Gasset Foundation, 13-15 Nov. 2012, Madrid

Seminar on "TERRORISMO GLOBAL, A DIEZ AÑOS DEL 11-S", X edición del Seminario Permanente de Estudios sobre Terrorismo (SPET), Ortega Y Gasset Foundation, 14-16 Nov. 2011. Madrid

Professional Activities (editorial experiences and peer review)

-Reviewer/or referee for:

(Journals):

Terrorism and Political Violence;
European Journal of Political Research;
RISP (Rivista Italiana di Scienza Politica);
Mobilisation: An International Journal;
Partecipazione e Conflitto;
Extremism and Democracy;
Information, Communication and Society;
Modernitaly;
South European Society and Politics;
Bulletin of Italian Politics;
International Sociology;
Lien social et Politiques;
Research in Social Movements, Conflicts and Change;
Journal of Common market Studies;
Journal Perspectives on European Politics and Society;
The Sociological Quarterly;
Social Politics, Politics and Governance;
Studies in conflict and terrorism;
German Politics;
ACTA politica;

Sociopedia.
European Journal of Communication

(Publishers):
Lexington Publishers;
Sociology Compass;
Palgrave;
Berghahn Books;
Ashgate;
Cornell University Press.

-Member of the editorial board:

'Mutamenti Sociali', Sociological series, Publisher Mimesis, Milano, Italy;

'Partecipazione and Conflict' The Open Journal of Sociopolitical Studies <http://sibaese.unisalento.it/index.php/paco>

-Scientific consultant for:

2012, the project "Misurazione del Valore Economico e Sociale del Volontariato" (MESV), conducted by ISTAT, CSVnet and Fondazione Volontariato e Partecipazione, Italy;

Spring 2013, the Europe 21 Project, the Hague University of Applied Science, Den Haag, Netherlands;

January 2014, as Country Expert for Austria for the "Varieties of Democracy (V-Dem)" project, conducted by M. Coppedge, J. Gerring, S.I. Lindberg, and J. Teorell, <https://v-dem.net>, University of Gothenburg, Sweden.

2014-16, Member of the Scientific Advisory Board for the FWF funded project on anti-deportation protests in Austria, Germany and Switzerland, <http://inex.univie.ac.at/research/taking-sides/>.

2016-2019 Member of the Scientific Advisory Board for the FWF funded project 'SOCRI: Solidarity in time of crisis in Austria and Hungary', coordinated by Prof. J. Flecker, n. I 2698-G27, (2016-2019), University of Vienna.

Radio and TV Interviews

23/05/2016, Radio Modem, Switzerland (www.rsi.ch/modem)(<http://reteuno.rsi.ch/modem/>). On Austrian Presidential elections

09/02/2015, La Repubblica, http://inchieste.repubblica.it/it/repubblica/rep-it/2015/02/09/news/l_odio_nero_che_viaggia_sul_web-106686140/#gallery-slider=106695618

27/11/2014 Radio Popolare, Italy (<http://www.radiopopolare.it/ascoltaci/trasmissioni-on-demand/intro/il-mattino-di-popolare-network-il-fatto-del-giorno/>)

08/04/2014, Radio Modem, Switzerland (www.rsi.ch/modem)(<http://reteuno.rsi.ch/modem/>)

22/02/2013 TV Puls4, Austria (<http://www.puls4.com/guten-abend-oesterreich>)

- 08/03/2013 Radio Modem, Switzland (www.rsi.ch/modem)
- 14/04/2013 Radio Popolare, Italy (<http://blog.radiopopolare.it/qualcosadisinistra/tag/manuela-caiani/>)
- 30/05/2013 Radio 24, Italy (<http://www.radio24.ilsole24ore.com/>)
- 17/07/2-13 Radio Fahrenheit on Rai Tre, Italy (fahre@rai.it)
- 16/07/2013 URJC, Madrid (<http://www.ucci.urjc.es/una-de-las-principales-razones-para-dejar-el-terrorismo-es-la-necesidad-de-ser-aceptados-socialmente-y-volver-a-su-vida-normal/>)
- 24/08/2013 TV RAI News 24 (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ji7o2Wx6ee4>)
- 01/12/2013 Radio Popolare, Italy (see, <http://tinyurl.com/bro69h9>)
- 16/10/2013 Radio Popolare, Italy (on Briepke)
- 19/11/2013 Associazione Trepuntozero, Torino, Italy (<http://youtu.be/5ogxGGn3me8>)