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Curriculum Vitae

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Contract Professor (2024-2025)
Full Professor of Economics, University of Cassino: 2005-2024
Full Professor of Economics, University of Trento: 2001-2005
Visiting Professor, University of Bicocca (Milan): 2006
Visiting Professor, S. Anna School of Advanced Studies (Pisa): 2001-2004
Associate Professor, University of Parthenope (Naples), and University of Trento: 1992-2001
Researcher, University of Trento: 1984-1992.

EDUCATION

University of London, Birkbeck: Visiting Researcher, 1983
Cambridge University (UK), Faculty of Economics: M.Phil., 1980
University of Modena (Italy), Faculty of Economics: *Laurea summa cum laude*, 1978

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Economics of Happiness
Economics of Human Capital and Capability
Economics and Psychology
Evolutionary Economics
Economics of Growth, Structural Change, and Cycle
History of Economic Ideas

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- M. Pugno (2026) [*Emergenza Malessere. Dalle cause economiche, sociali e individuali ai rimedi per uno sviluppo più umano*](#), Rubbettino, Catanzaro, ISBN 9788849887457
- M. Pugno (2023) [*Well-being and Growth in Advanced Economies: The Need to Prioritise Human Development*](#), London, Routledge [paperback edition in 2024]
[Reviewed in the *Journal of Economic Psychology*, Vol 95, March 2023]
- M. Pugno (2016) [*On The Foundations of Happiness in Economics: Reinterpreting Tibor Scitovsky*](#), London, Routledge [paperback edition in 2018] [endorsed by prof. Bruno Frey and prof. Peter Earl; reviewed in *History of Economic Ideas* XXV, 2017/3, pp. 175-8].
- M. Pugno (1992) *R.F.Harrold. Dall'equilibrio dinamico alla instabilità ciclica*, Il Mulino, Bologna (in Italian).

Articles in refereed journals

- M. Pugno (2025). [Does social media harm young people's well-being? A suggestion from economic research](#). *Academia Mental Health and Well-Being*, 2(1), 1-11, Open journal.
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- M. Pugno (2024). [Social media effects on well-being: the hypothesis of addiction of a new variety](#). *Kyklos*. 77(3): 690–704.
- M. Pugno (2024). [Creativity, well-being and economic development: an evolutionary approach](#). *Journal of Evolutionary Economics*, 34(1): 205-225.
- M. Pugno (with F. Sarracino) (2021) [Structural changes in economic growth and well-being. The case of Italy's parabola](#). *Social Indicators Research*, 158: 801-838
[MPRA paper, n. 94150]
- M. Pugno (2019). [Happiness, human development, and economic \(de\)growth](#), *Annals of the Fondazione Luigi Einaudi*, vol. LIII, Dec., pp. 151-172 (A Anvur journal in 14/B2)
- M. Pugno (2017) Scitovsky meets Sen: endogenising the dynamics of capability. *Cambridge Journal of Economics*. 41(4): 1177-96 [cited by J.J.Heckman and C.O.Corbin, 2016, Capabilities and skills, *Journal of Human Development and Capabilities*, 17: 342-59]
- M. Pugno (with G. Lisi) (2015) The underground economy in a matching model of endogenous growth, *International Journal of Economic Theory*, 11(4): 347-69.
- M. Pugno (2015). Trust, family, and education. *International Journal of Happiness and Development*, 2(3): 216-30.
- M. Pugno (2015). Capability and happiness. *Journal of Happiness Studies*, 16(6): 1383-1399.
- M. Pugno (2014). Scitovsky, behavioural economics, and beyond. *Economics: The Open-Access, Open-Assessment E-Journal*, 8 (2014-24) [downloaded more than 5100 times].
- M. Pugno (2014) Scitovsky's *The Joyless Economy* and the economics of happiness, *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought*, 21(2): 278-303.
[included in the top three most downloaded articles that were published and downloaded in 2014]
- M. Pugno (2013) Scitovsky and the income-happiness paradox, *Journal of Socio-Economics*, 43: 1-10.
- M. Pugno (with Bartolini S. and Bilancini E.) (2013) Did the decline in social connections depress Americans' happiness?, *Social Indicators Research*, 110(3): 1033-1059.
[included in the top 4% most cited articles of the journal]

- M. Pugno (2012) Scitovsky's theory of well-being, *History of Economic Thought and Policy*, no. 2, 35-56.
- M. Pugno (with G. Lisi) (2011) Tax morale, entrepreneurship, and the irregular economy", *AUCO Czech Economic Review*, 5(2): 116-131.
- M. Pugno (with G. Lisi) (2010) Entrepreneurship and the hidden economy: an extended matching model, *International Economic Journal*, 24(4): 585-602.
- M. Pugno (with S. Depedri) (2010) Job performance and job satisfaction: an integrated survey, *Economia Politica-Journal of Analytical and Institutional Economics*, 26(1):175-210.
- M. Pugno (2009) The Easterlin paradox and the decline of social capital: an integrated explanation, *Journal of Socio-Economics*, 38(4): 590-600.
- M. Pugno (with M. Malgarini and G. Zezza) (2008) Life satisfaction in Italy: evidence from the ISAE Consumers Survey, *Rivista di Politica Economica*, 9-10: 1-32.
- M. Pugno (2008) Economics and the self. A formalisation of Self-Determination Theory, *Journal of Socio-Economics*, 37: 1328-1346.
- M. Pugno (2006) The service paradox and endogenous economic growth, *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics*, 17: 99-115.
[cited in J. Francois and B. Hoekman (2010) Services trade and policies, *Journal of Economic Literature*, 48(3):642-92; and in R. Ortega-Argilés (2012) The transatlantic productivity gap: A survey of the main causes, *Journal of Economic Surveys*, 26(3):395-419. This article is the fifth most cited article in *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics* from 2006 to 2012 according to Publish or Perish].
- M. Pugno (with M. Cimoli and A. Primi) (2006) A low-growth model: informality as a structural constraint, *Cepal Review*, 88: 85-102.
[cited in Unctad (2006) *The Least Developed Countries*, New York]
- M. Pugno (with M.R. Carillo) (2004) The underground economy and underdevelopment, *Economic Systems*, 28(3): 257-279.
[cited in OECD *Employment Outlook 2003 Edition – Towards more and better jobs*, Paris]
- M. Pugno (2000) *Rent Seeking e questione meridionale*, *Politica Economica*, no.3, 387-419 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (2000) Economia sommersa e disoccupazione: un modello per l'analisi e le politiche di intervento, *Rivista Italiana degli Economisti*, no.2, 269-290 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (1998) The stability of Thirlwall's model of economic growth and the Balance-of-Payments constraint, *Journal of Post Keynesian Economics*, 20(4): 559-581.
[re-published in J.S.L. McCombie and A.P. Thirlwall (eds.) (2004) *Essays on Balance of Payments Constrained Growth: Theory and Evidence*, Routledge, London and New York, pp.108-125].
- M. Pugno (1998) Crescita economica e disoccupazione: alcuni recenti sviluppi teorici, *Economia Politica*, 15(1): 119-165 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (1996) A Kaldorian model of economic growth with labour shortage and major technical changes, *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics*, 7(4): 429-449.
- M. Pugno (1996) Structural stability in a cross-country neoclassical growth model, in *Applied Economics*, 28: 1555-1566.
- M. Pugno (1995) On competing theories of economic growth: cross-country evidence, *International Review of Applied Economics*, 9(3): 249-274.
- M. Pugno (1987) Crescita economica e stabilità strutturale. A proposito di un recente modello della 'Ecole de la Régulation', *Note Economiche*, no.3, 88-101 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (1986) Kaldor vs. Schumpeter on economic growth and structural change, *Quaderni di Storia dell'Economia Politica*, nos.1-2, 45-70.

- M. Pugno (1986) 'L'ottima distribuzione del reddito' di Sylos Labini: una nota, *Economia Politica*, no.2, 259-275 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (with E. Santarelli) (1986) La controversia *technology push/demand pull*. Una riconsiderazione, in *Economia e Politica Industriale*, n.50, 205-225
[republished in G.Lunghini and S.Vaccà (eds.) (1987) *Cambiamento tecnologico e teorie dell'impresa*, F.Angeli, Milano, pp. 217-237].
- M. Pugno (1985) Are long waves relevant in economic life? A note, *Economic Notes*, no.2, 68-77.
- M. Pugno (1985) Spesa militare e crescita economica: ostacolo o sostegno? Note preliminari sul dibattito e sul caso degli Stati Uniti, *Rivista Internazionale di Scienze Sociali*, no.2, 244-275 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (1982) Il 'sovrappiù' di Baran e Sweezy: una riformulazione critica ed un confronto con il 'plusvalore' di Marx, *Note Economiche*, no.2, 138-164 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (1982) L'impatto della domanda pubblica sul sistema produttivo in Italia: evoluzione ed effetti intersettoriali, *Rivista di Diritto Finanziario e Scienza delle Finanze*, no.2, 307-356 (in Italian).

Book chapters

- M. Pugno (2021), "The economics of eudaimonia", in L. Bruni, A. Smerilli and D. De Rosa (eds) *A Modern Guide to the Economics of Happiness*, Elgar, London, pp.46-66.
- M. Pugno (2019), "Why the Easterlin paradox? The Scitovsky hypothesis", in M. Rojas (ed.) *The Economics of Happiness: How the Easterlin Paradox Transformed our Understanding of Wellbeing and Progress*, Cham (Switzerland): Springer International Publishing. Chapter 7, pp. 157-170.
- M. Pugno (2016) "Why policies for children, early education and culture?", in E. Bilancini, L. Bruni, P.L. Porta (eds.) *Policies for Happiness*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, pp. 215-238.
- M. Pugno (2012) "L'economia della felicità", in P. Della Posta (ed.) *Crisi economica e crisi delle teorie economiche*, Liguori, Napoli, pp. 133-161 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (2011) "Economy, people's personal motivation and well-being", in Chirkov, V. I., Ryan, R. M., and Sheldon, K. M. (eds) *Human autonomy in cultural contexts: Perspectives on the psychology of agency, freedom, and well-being*. Springer, Heidelberg, pp.207-239.
- M. Pugno (2008) "Capabilities, the self, and well-being", in L. Bruni, F. Comim and M. Pugno, *Capabilities and Happiness*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, pp. 224-253.
- M. Pugno (2007) "The subjective well-being paradox: a suggested solution based on relational goods", in L. Bruni e P.L. Porta (eds.) *Handbook on the Economics of Happiness*, Elgar, London, pp. 263-289.
- M. Pugno (2004) "Più ricchi di beni, più poveri di rapporti interpersonali", in L. Bruni and P.L. Porta (eds.) *Felicità ed Economia*, Guerini, Milano, pp. 192-216 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (with R. Paci and F. Pigliaru) (2003) "Disparities in economic growth and unemployment among the European regions: a sectoral perspective", in B. Fingleton, A. Eraydin e R. Paci (eds.) *Regional Economic Growth, SMEs and the Wider Europe*, Aldershot: Ashgate, pp. 75-102.
- M. Pugno (with J.S.L.McCombie and B.Soro) (2002) "Introduction" of *Productivity Growth and Economic Performance: Essays on Verdoorn's Law*, MacMillan, Londra, pp.1-27.

- M. Pugno (2002) "Verdoorn's law and the analysis of steady state growth: from an unsatisfactory marriage to a new perspective", in J.S.L.McCombie, M.Pugno and B.Soro (eds.) *Productivity Growth and Economic Performance: Essays on Verdoorn's Law*, MacMillan, Londra, pp. 239-258.
- M. Pugno (2002) Under-tertiarisation and unemployment, in R. Balducci and S. Staffolani (eds.) *Income distribution, Growth and Employment*, Esi, Napoli, pp.223-244.
- M. Pugno (2001) Economia sommersa, disoccupazione e crescita, in R.M. Carillo and A. Zazzaro (eds.) *Istituzioni, capitale umano e sviluppo del Mezzogiorno*, Edizioni Scientifiche Italiane, Napoli, pp.114-136 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (1998) "In search of Harrod's contribution to economic dynamics. A note", in A.P.Thirlwall, G.Rampa and L.Stella (eds.) *Economic Dynamics, Trade, and Growth. Essays on Harrodian Themes*, MacMillan, London, pp.89-106.
- M. Pugno (1998) "Harrod's economic dynamics as a persistent and régime-changing adjustment process", in A.P.Thirlwall, G.Rampa and L.Stella (eds.) *Economic Dynamics, Trade, and Growth. Essays on Harrodian Themes*, MacMillan, London, pp.152-178.
- M. Pugno (1998) "Crescita, ciclo e vincolo esterno", in N. De Vecchi and M.C.Marcuzzo (eds.) *A cinquant'anni da Keynes. Teorie dell'occupazione, interesse e crescita*, Unicopli, Milano, pp.273-295 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (1995) "La Nuova teoria della crescita e la endogenità del progresso tecnico", in *Commercio internazionale e crescita economica*, a cura di M.Pugno e M.L. Segnana, Nuova Italia Scientifica, Roma, pp. 21-91 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (1989) "Labour's share, growth and structural change. The case of the U.S. industrialisation", in M. Di Matteo, R.M. Goodwin e A.Vercelli (eds.), *Technological and Social Factors in Long Term Fluctuations*, Springer-Verlag, New York, pp.242-268.
- M. Pugno (1988) "L'industrializzazione degli Stati Uniti fino al '29: una applicazione del Linkage Approach", in L. Marcolungo, M. Pugno and F. Targetti (eds.), *L'economia mondiale in trasformazione. Contributi per una comparazione tra sistemi economici*, AISSEC, F.Angeli, Milano, pp.320-335 (in Italian).

Edited books

- M. Pugno (with L. Bruni and F. Comim) (2008) *Capabilities and Happiness*, Oxford University Press, Oxford
[reviewed in *Economics and Philosophy*, 27, 2011, pp.175-179]
- M. Pugno (with J.S.L. McCombie and B. Soro) (2002) *Productivity Growth and Economic Performance: Essays on Verdoorn's Law*, MacMillan, London.
[reviewed in *Economic Journal*, vol.115, n.501, 2005, pp.F138-F140(1); and in *Journal of Economic Literature*, vol.42, n.3, 2004, pp.862-864; this book has been cited about 265 times, according to Publish or Perish].
- M. Pugno (with M.L. Segnana) (1995) *Commercio internazionale e crescita economica*, Nuova Italia Scientifica, Roma (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (with L. Marcolungo and F. Targetti) (1988) *L'economia mondiale in trasformazione. Contributi per una comparazione tra sistemi economici*, AISSEC, F.Angeli, Milano.

Non-technical articles

- M. Pugno (2025) Effetti perversi dei consumi high-tech sul benessere dei giovani. *EticaEconomia*, n.245/2023.

- M. Pugno (2023) I social fanno emergere problemi personali latenti: la dipendenza da big tech. *Domani*, p.10, 28 aprile 2023.
- M. Pugno (2023) È tempo di riconoscere i danni procurati ai giovani dai social-media *EticaEconomia*, n.186/2023.
- M. Pugno (2023) I social media fanno male. Anche la politica se ne è accorta, ma non basta. *MicroMega*, 23 gennaio 2023.
- M. Pugno (2022) Lo sviluppo umano delle economie avanzate si sta deteriorando? *EticaEconomia*, n.178/2022.
- M. Pugno (2020) La libertà economica è sempre benefica? *EticaEconomia*, n.139/2020.
- M. Pugno (2020) La libertà come bene collettivo. *MicroMega*, 17 novembre 2020.
- M. Pugno (2019) Istruzione, istruzione, istruzione. Alle origini del declino economico italiano. *Etica Economia* n.96.
- M. Pugno (2007) Ricchezza e ben-essere: l'importanza delle relazioni sociali e personali, *Studi e Note di Economia*, 12(1):23-58 (in Italian).
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- M. Pugno (1997) "Income Distribution and the Business Cycle" in D. Glasner (ed.), *Business Cycles and Depressions. An Encyclopedia*, Garland Publishing, New York, pp.319-21.
- M. Pugno (1996) Sud Corea e Taiwan: due modelli di sviluppo economico e di intervento dello stato, in *Diritto ed Economia*, no.1, pp.219-244 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (1991) "Catching up in the (Old and New) Theories of Economic Growth", in *Annali Scientifici* a cura del Dipartimento di Economia di Trento, no.4, pp. 71-99.
- M. Pugno (1990) *Teorie del ciclo economico: appunti dalle lezioni di R.M.Goodwin*, Corso di Politica Economica e Finanziaria, Anno Accademico 1989/90, Università degli Studi di Trento, pp.30 (in Italian).
- M. Pugno (1988) "Instabilità di Harrod e tasso d'utilizzo", *Annali Scientifici*, Dipartimento di Economia di Trento, no.1, pp.113-144 (in Italian).

Working papers (not published elsewhere)

- Pugno, M (2021) [Italy's parabolae of GDP and subjective well-being: the role of education.](#) *MPRA paper*, n. 107948, 30 May 2021.
- Pugno M, with Sarracino F (2021) Intrinsic vs extrinsic motivation to protect the environment: correlational and causal evidence. *MPRA paper*, n. 107143, 12 April 2021.
- Pugno, M (2020) [Enjoying life takes time and needs people, but economic progress runs and offers things.](#) *MPRA paper*, n. 104378, 20 November 2020, pp. 18.
- M. Pugno (2016) Beyond the distinction between necessities and luxuries, *MPRA paper*, n.73729, 17 Sept., pp. 22
- M. Pugno (with P. Verme) (2011) Life satisfaction, social capital and the bonding-bridging nexus, *World Bank Policy Research Working Paper* n.5945, and *Working Paper* n.8, Department of Economic Sciences and Cream, University of Cassino.
- M. Pugno (with M. Malgarini e G. Zezza) (2009) "Life satisfaction in a survey of Italian households" *Working Paper* n.6, Department of Economic Sciences and Cream, University of Cassino.
- M. Pugno (2004) "Rationality and affective motivation: new ideas from neurobiology and psychiatry for economic theory?", *Discussion Paper*, n.1, Department of Economics of Trento, pp. 49.

M. Pugno (2001) "Unbalanced growth and women's homework", *Discussion Paper*, n.7, Department of Economics of Trento, pp.21 (published also in SSRN Electronic Library).

RESEARCH EVALUATION BY ANVUR (national evaluation agency of the university research)

2004-2010: 0.87 over 1

2011-2014: 0.85 over 1

2015-2019: 0.89 over 1

CITATIONS AND WEB-SITES

- H-index in Google Scholar: 24 with 2447 citations

H-index in Scopus: 11 with 428 citations

MEMBER OF THE WORLD WELLBEING PANEL

<https://wellbeing.research.mcgill.ca/wwp/>

discussant of the issues:

- Social media and youth (Oct. 2025)
- Advertising and well-being (August 2025)
- Tariffs, international trade, and well-being (May 2025)
- USA elections, small government, and well-being (Nov. 2024)
- How news about mass suffering reported by media affects well-being (Feb. 2024)
- Home ownership and well-being (published in Oct. 2023)
- Well-being and social media (published in February 2023) (M. Pugno is a co-organizer)
- Wellbeing, the Ukraine conflict and long-term challenges (published in October 2022)
- The impact of inflation on well-being (published in June 2022)
- Should the wellbeing of future generations condition the policies of today? (published in February 2022)
- Legalized euthanasia and assisted dying policies (published in November 2021)
- Is happiness a way of life, shared with others? (published in July 2021)
- Drug decriminalization and wellbeing (published in May 2021)
- Teenage wellbeing (run in November 2020)
- Fighting Covid: Confinement and Wellbeing (run in August 2020)
- Migration and Wellbeing (run in June 2020)
- How to keep up wellbeing during the COVID-19 pandemic (run in April 2020)

INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

STATEC (National Institute of Statistics and Economic Studies of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg) – Research Division

MAIN SEMINARS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (since 2004)

- International Conference on "Economic Growth and Distribution", Lucca 16-18 June 2004, presentation of "The service paradox and endogenous economic growth".

- International Workshop “Happiness, Economics, and Interpersonal Relationship”, Dipartimento di Economia, Università di Trento, 3-4 December 2004, presentation of “The happiness paradox: a formal explanation from psycho-economics”
- Seminar at Capp (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia) on “Unbalanced growth, housework, and female participation in the labour market”, 11 Jan. 2005
- International Workshop “A Micro-approach to Poverty Analysis”, Trento, 4-5 Feb. 2005, presentation of “An Enclave-Led Model of Growth: the Structural Problem of Informality Persistence in Latin America”
- Seminar at the Dipartimento di Scienze Economiche dell’Università di Bologna on “The happiness paradox: a formal explanation from psycho-economics”, 8 Feb. 2005
- Seminar at the Università di Siena on “The happiness paradox: a formal explanation from psycho-economics”, 9 March 2005
- International Workshop “Capabilities and Happiness”, Milan, 16-18 June 2005, presentation of “Capabilities, the self, and well-being: a research in psycho-economics”
- International Workshop “Capabilities and Identity”, Cambridge (UK), 21-23 June 2005, presentation of “Capabilities, the self, and well-being: a research in psycho-economics”
- International Conference “The Keynesian Legacy in Macroeconomic Modeling”, 16-17 Sept. 2005, Cassino, co-organizer
- International Symposium “Happiness, Economics, and Interpersonal Relationship” within the Conference “Absurdity in Economics”, 21-24 settembre 2005, presentation of “The happiness paradox: a formal explanation from psycho-economics”
- Seminar at the Università di Roma – La Sapienza su “Economics and the Self”, 9 May 2006
- Conference on ‘Le nuove frontiere del Non-Profit’, Forlì, presentation of “Paradosso della felicità, reddito relativo, e relazioni sociali”, 1 Dec. 2006
- International Conference “Policies for Happiness”, Certosa di Pontignano, 14-16 June 2007, presentation of “A Scitovskyian model of happiness and unhappiness” and of “Did the decline in social capital decrease American happiness? A relational explanation of the happiness paradox”
- International Workshop “Managing time, natural, and social environment for well-being” Cassino University, Faculty of Economics, Department of Economic Sciences, 18 giugno 2007, Introduction.
- V Convegno Nazionale Storep, 6-7 giugno 2008, presentation of “A Scitovskyian model of happiness and unhappiness”
- International Conference on “Well-being: are we happy of our standard of living?”, Cassino 26-27 Sept. 2008, presentation of “Life satisfaction in a survey of Italian households”, and of “Did the decline in social capital decrease American happiness? A relational explanation of the happiness paradox”
- International Workshop on “Entrepreneurship, Creativity and Innovation”, Cassino, 2-3 April 2009, presentation of “Entrepreneurship and the hidden economy: a matching model”
- International Conference on Measuring the progress of Italian society, Rome 3-4 June 2009, presentation of “Measuring Life Satisfaction in Italy”
- International Conference “Happiness and Relational Goods”, Venice 11-13 June 2009, presentation of “Social capital is ‘good’ if personal relations are good”
- International Conference on Poverty Traps: an Empirical and Theoretical Assessment, Naples, 30-31 October 2009, presentation of “Entrepreneurship and the hidden economy: an extended matching model”

- International Conference on From GDP To Well-Being, Ancona, 3-5 December 2009, presentation of “Microfoundations of social capital”
- Conference on Crisi economica e crisi delle teorie economiche, Fondazione Piaggio, Pontedera, 19 marzo 2010, presentation of “Economia della felicità”.
- VII Convegno Nazionale Storep, 31/5-1/6/2010, presentation of “A microfoundation of social capital”
- Conference on Market and Happiness, Milan-Bicocca, June 8-9 2011, presentation of “A Scitovskyian theory of well-being”
- Invited participation to the round table on “Blackout dell’homo economicus e costruzione dell’homo reciprocans”, Scuola di Formazione “Società Italiana Gestalt” 5 June 2010.
- Invited lecture on Economia & Felicità, University of Trento, 14 March 2011.
- Storep 2011 Conference, Università di Lecce, June 9-11, 2011, presentation of “A Scitovskyian theory of well-being”
- 38th Eastern Economic Association Conference, Boston, 9-11 March 2012, presentation of “A Scitovskyian theory of well-being: from comfort to creativity”
- Storep 2012 Conference, Università di Padova, June 1-2, 2012, presentation of “Scitovsky and behavioural economics”
- Conference on “How to bring Joy into Economics. Revisiting Tibor Scitovsky (1910-2002), Gaeta, 26-27 June 2012, presentation of “Scitovsky and behavioural economics” and of “Scitovsky and the income-happiness paradox”
- Storep 2013 Conference, Università di Cassino e del Lazio Meridionale, May 31-June 2, 2013, presentazione di “Scitovsky meets Sen”
- Conference on “Public Happiness”, Rome, June 4-5 2013, presentazione di “Sen meets Scitovsky” e di (in collaborazione con Borja Lopez-Noval), “Understanding the relationship between education and life satisfaction”
- Simposio ‘Il concetto di felicità e il suo spazio semantico: prospettive a confronto, Università di Bergamo, 12-13 giugno 2015, invited presentation of “Felicità, crescita economica e sviluppo delle capacità umane”
- Conference on “The challenge between subjective and objective wellbeing indicators”, Rome, March 15 2016, presentation of “On the foundations of happiness in economics: hedonism vs. eudaimonia, and economic growth”
- Conference on “Inequalities in Economic Thought”, Paris, 26-28 May 2016, presentation of “Well-being and equity in Scitovsky’s thought: a development of Classic and Cambridge economists’ insights”
- Invited seminar at the economic Department of the University of Trento, Italy, 2 Feb. 2017, on the book *On the Foundations of Happiness in Economics*
- Conference on “A World to Win”, Rotterdam, 21-23 March 2017, presentation of “The eudemonic pursuit of happiness and economic growth”
- Conference on “Policies for Happiness and Health”, Siena, 19-21 March 2018, presentation of “From hedonic adaptation to building preferences”
- Invited seminar on “The Economics of Eudemonic Well-being” at STATEC, Luxembourg, 16 May 2018
- Conference on “Happiness, Capabilities, and Opportunities”, Naples, 15-17 November 2018, presentation of “Approaching the bliss but then losing the chance: the case of happiness in Italy” (with F. Sarracino).
- Invited seminar at the workshop "Happiness, Well-Being and (De)Growth", Fondazione Einaudi di Torino, 20-21 June 2019

- Invited lecture on “Well-being, Economic Growth, and Human Development”, University of L’Aquila, 23 May 2022
- Conference on “Wellbeing 2022: Knowledge for Informed Decisions”, Luxembourg, 1-4 June 2022, presentation of “*Well-being and Growth in Advanced Economies: The Need to Prioritise Human Development*”
- Invited speakers in the Symposium on Subjective Well-Being and Global Development, co-organized by the United Nations Development Programme, Dartmouth NH, 27-28 Oct. 2025

OTHER RESEARCH ACTIVITY

Member of the Board of professors of the PhD Course in economics and other social disciplines in the University of Cassino since 2014.

*Member of the Editorial Board of the *International Journal of Happiness and Development**

*Member of the Editorial Board of *Scienza e Pace* ISSN 2039-1749 (recognised by ANVUR for the areas 10, 11, 13 e 14).*

Co-organiser of the conferences and workshops:

- “Wellbeing 2022: Knowledge for Informed Decisions”, Luxembourg, 1-4 June 2022
- “Happiness, Capabilities, and Opportunities”, Naples, 15-17 November 2018
- “Policies for Happiness and Health”, Siena, 19-21 March 2018
- “Public Happiness”, Rome, 4-5 June 2013
- “How to bring Joy into Economics. Revisiting Tibor Scitovsky (1910-2002)”, Gaeta, 26-27 June 2012
- “Well-being: are we happy of our standard of living?”, Cassino 26-27 Sept. 2008
- “Managing time, natural, and social environment for well-being” Cassino, 18 June 2007
- “Policies for Happiness”, Certosa di Pontignano, 14-16 June 2007
- “The Keynesian Legacy in Macroeconomic Modeling”, 16-17 Sept. 2005, Cassino
- “Capabilities and Happiness”, Milano, 16-18 giugno 2005
- “A Micro-approach to Poverty Analysis”, Trento, 4-5 febbraio 2005
- “Happiness, Economics, and Interpersonal Relationship”, Department of Economics, University of Trento, 3-4 December 2004

Local Coordinator of the Inter-University Research Project “Economics, Happiness and Social Interaction” (Prin2004) (2005-2006)

Local Coordinator of the Inter-University Research Project (Murst40%) (1997-99)

Local Coordinator of the Inter-University Research Project “Employment: problems of analysis and policy” (1994-95)

Refereeing of economic journals

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| - Journal of Post Keynesian Economics | - Applied Economics |
| - Journal of Economics | - Economic Notes |
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| - Structural Change and Economic Dynamics | - Politica Economica |
| - History of Economics Review | - Rivista di Politica Economica |
| - B.E. Journals in Economic Analysis and Policy | - Journal of Socio-Economics |
| - Economics. Open Access E-Journal | - Economia Politica |

- International Review of Economics
- European Journal of the History of Economic Thought
- Cambridge Journal of Economics

Refereeing of interdisciplinary and extra-economic journals

- PloS ONE (h=332 Scimago)
- Frontiers in Psychology (h=110 Scimago)
- Journal of Happiness Studies (h=73 Scimago)
- Journal of Human Development and Capabilities (h=48 Scimago)
- International Social Science Journal (h=43 Scimago)
- Economics and Philosophy (h=37 Scimago)
- International Journal of Happiness and Development
- PsyCh Journal
- Academia Mental Health and Well-Being
- SSM Mental Health

TEACHING

Economics of Human Capital (2008-2025)

Micro- and Macro-economics (1992-2024)

International Economics (2018-2024)

Behavioural Economics and Happiness Economics (2005-2008)

Growth Theory (2006-2007)

Growth Theory (advanced) at S.Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa (2001-2004)

History of Economic Thought (1992-99)

Economics of the EU at School of International Studies, Trento (2004-2005)

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Chairman of the Degree Course in Economics, University of Cassino (2006-2012), and University of Trento (2001-2003)

Delegate at the University Library for the Faculty of Economics, University of Cassino (2006), and University of Trento (2004-2005)

Member of the Doctoral Board of the PhD Program in Economics, University of Cassino (2006-present), University of Trento (2004-2005), and University of Pavia (1997-2000)

Member of National and Local Commissions for the evaluation of professorship (2016, 2008, 2006, 2002-2003, 2000, 1996, 1994-1995)