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EDUCATION

Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, U.S.A.

Doctoral Fellow in Sustainability Science, September 2008 - August 2009.

Università Commerciale L. Bocconi, Milan, Italy.

Ph.D. Economics, 2006 - Present.

London School of Economics, London, UK.

MSc. Development Management (cum laude), 2003 - 2004.

Development Management and Development Policy Concentration.

Final Dissertation: "The blurred boundary between state and society: is social capital all that Southern Italy needs?"

Università Commerciale L. Bocconi, Milan, Italy.

BSc Economics (110/110, Italian system), 1998 - 2003.

Labor Economics, Political Economy, Statistics and Econometrics Concentration.

Final Dissertation: "Pro-poor structural adjustment? The World Bank and Vietnam's poverty reduction strategy".

Queen Mary University, London, UK.

Erasmus Program, 2002.

Environmental Economics, Labor economics and International Finance Concentration.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Fundacion Natura Bolivia, Santa Cruz, Bolivia.

Consultant, July 2009 – August 2010.

Working for a local NGO that offers environmental services for the protection of the Andean rainforest. Setting up a randomized evaluation of Fundacion Natura's interventions through design of survey instruments and sampling methodology, and collection of preliminary data.

TechnoServe, Kigali, Rwanda.

Consultant, July 2008 – August 2008.

Working for an international NGO that assists small scale coffee farmers throughout Rwanda. Collaborating to the definition of TechnoServe Coffee Initiative's Monitoring and Evaluation strategy through design of survey instruments and sampling methodology, and collection of preliminary data.

Università Commerciale L. Bocconi, Innocenzo Gasparini Institute for Economic Research, Milan, Italy.

Research Assistant, October 2007 – June 2008.

Assisting Professor Martina Bjorkman in her research on the impact of a large scale health care program in Uganda on children's school attendance and educational outcomes. Conducting data analysis and preliminary report writing.

Innovations for Poverty Action, Nairobi, Kenya.

Project Supervisor, August 2007- October 2007.

Working for the operational arm of the MIT Poverty Action Lab on a research project that examines the effect on income and health of increasing water access for both productive and domestic uses. Designing impact evaluation through randomized interventions in collaboration with academic economists, Professor Michael Kremer (Harvard University) and Professor Tavneet Suri (MIT Sloan School of Management). Conducting a preliminary survey and combining the contributions of NGOs, microcredit organizations and Government bodies to implement a pilot project in Central Province.

Poverty Reduction Group, The World Bank, Washington D.C., U.S.A.

Short Term Consultant, July 2007.

Conducting data analysis with STATA. Using survey data from Western Kenya to study the impact of antiretroviral (ARV) treatment on household time transfers in cash and kind, savings and other coping mechanisms. Co-authoring research paper on the impact of ARV therapy on intra-household time allocation to non-market labor activities.

Università Commerciale L. Bocconi, Innocenzo Gasparini Institute for Economic Research, Milan, Italy.

Research Assistant, October 2005 – October 2006.

Assisting Professor Guido Tabellini and Professor Francesco Giavazzi in their research on political economy issues.

Conducting data analysis, background research and report writing for Professor Guido Tabellini's work on democratic

institutions and economic growth. Providing teaching assistance for Professor Francesco Giavazzi Advanced Macroeconomics and International Political Economy courses.

Università Commerciale L.Bocconi, Centre of Research on Innovation and Internationalization, Milan, Italy.

Research Assistant, March 2006- October 2006.

Managing and cleaning a large dataset on European patents' concessions. Conducting preliminary data analysis for Professor Myriam Mariani's research on the causes of inventors' productivity.

Western Kenya Health, Income and Development Survey, Rift Valley Province, Kenya.

Project Manager, September 2004 – August 2005.

Working in collaboration with academic economists and medical doctors on a research project that examines the economic impacts of HIV/AIDS and ARV treatment. Supervising socio-economic surveys of over 1000 households from villages and HIV clinics in Western Kenya. Responsible for managing a team of 8 enumerators, designing database for and organizing computer entry of questionnaires, doing analysis of data files with STATA and writing survey progress reports.

Action Aid, London, UK.

Student Intern, Spring 2004.

Conducting in depth research on legal aspects and common practices in the provision of technical assistance by the UK Department for International Development. Examining the procurement of contracts pertaining to development projects since 2001. Complementing literature review with interviews to government officials and policy consultants.

Solving International, Milan, Italy.

Consultant, Spring/Summer 2003.

Conducting literature review and web-based research on changes and tendencies in the Italian Tour Operator market for international management consultancy firm. Writing and presenting research findings to clients and colleagues.

AWARDS AND HONORS

CEPR/AMID/Namur University, Namur, Belgium.

Summer School "An Introduction to field surveys in LDCs", June 15-19th, 2009.

Center for International Development, Harvard John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, USA.

Giorgio Ruffolo Doctoral Fellowship in Sustainability Sciences, September 2008 –September 2009.

BREAD/CEPR/University of Verona, Alba di Canazei, Italy.

Summer School in Development Economics June 30th - July 4th, 2008.

Università Commerciale L.Bocconi, Milan, Italy.

Ph.D. Economics Scholarship, September 2006 – Present

Università Commerciale L.Bocconi, Milan, Italy.

Political Economy Fellowship, November 2005 – October 2006

PUBLICATIONS

ARV Treatment and Time Allocation to Household Tasks: Evidence from Kenya, joint with Markus Goldstein, Joshua Graff Zivin, Mabel Nangami, & Harsha Thirumurthy. African Development Review.

SKILLS

Computing: STATA, StatTransfer, SPSS, Matlab, Access, database design with CSPPro, Excel, PowerPoint, Mapsource, research databases, internet research.

Languages: Italian native language; fluent in English; advanced level Spanish; intermediate level French and Kiswahili.

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Emergency, Milan, Italy.

Volunteer, March 2006 – June 2008.

Working for an Italian N.G.O. providing health care assistance to people suffering from the consequences of war and post-war emergencies in developing countries. Collecting and ensuring the quality of the data sent from Emergency's clinics. Writing reports and acting as a link between clinics' and the headquarter's personnel by informing and providing feedback on the operations in the field.