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Current and past academic positions

- 2023 - Barcelona Institute of Economics (IEB, Universitat de Barcelona), Assistant Professor (Lector)
2018-2023 Barcelona Institute of Economics (IEB, Universitat de Barcelona), Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Education

- 2017 PhD in Economics
University of Warwick
Advisors: Ben Lockwood, Mirko Draca
Thesis: "Rules, discretion and quality of government: evidence from Italian municipalities"
Committee: James Fenske, Andrea Tesei
- 2012 MSc in Economics (research)
London School of Economics and Political Science
- 2010 MSc in Economics
Catholic University of Milan, Italy
- 2007 B.Sc. in Economics and Management of Arts and Entertainment
Catholic University of Milan, Italy
- 2006 Erasmus Exchange program
University of Valladolid, Spain

Research Interests

Applied Econometrics, Political Economy, Public Economics, Economics of Migration.

Published papers

- M. Gamalerio, F. Trombetta (August 2024). "Fiscal rules and the selection of politicians: theory and evidence from Italian municipalities" *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy* (forthcoming).
- T. Boeri, M. Gamalerio, M. Morelli, M. Negri (January 2024). "Pay-as-theyget-in: Attitudes towards migrants and pension systems" *Journal of Economic Geography*, Volume 24, Issue 1, January 2024, Pages 63–78.
- M. Bordignon, M. Gamalerio, F. Franzoni (January 2024). "Is Populism reversible? Evidence from Italian local elections during the pandemic" *European Journal of Political Economy*, Volume 81, January 2024.

M. Gamalerio, M. Luca, A. Romarri, M. Viskanic (March 2023). “Refugee reception, extreme-right voting, and compositional amenities: evidence from Italian municipalities” *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, Volume 100.

M. Gamalerio, M. Negri (February 2023). “Not welcome anymore: the effect of electoral incentives on the reception of refugees” *Journal of Economic Geography*, Volume 23, Issue 4.

M. Gamalerio, P. Vertier, M. Viskanic (June 2022). “Dismantling the Jungle: migrant relocation and extreme voting in France” *Political Science Research and Methods*, 11, 129–143.

M. Bordignon, M. Gamalerio, G. Turati (July 2020). “Manager or professional politician? Local fiscal autonomy and the skills of elected officials” *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, Volume 83, July 2020.

M. Gamalerio (June 2020). “Do national political parties matter? Evidence from Italian municipalities” *European Journal of Political Economy*, Volume 63, June 2020.

Working papers and work in progress

M. Gamalerio, F. Trombetta (2025). “Jumping without parachutes: revolving doors and political incentives” IEB Working paper 2025/03.

M. Gamalerio, M. Morelli, M. Negri (December 2021). “The political economy of open borders. Theory and evidence on the role of electoral rules”

M. Bordignon, M. Gamalerio, E. Slerca, G. Turati (December 2019). “Stop Invasion! The electoral tipping point in anti-immigrant voting”

D. Favre, M. Gamalerio, A. Solé-Ollé (2024). “Political backlash against climate policy: the electoral costs of renewable energy in a multilayer government”

Teaching Experience

2021- Data Science II: Causal Inference – Lecturer
 Universitat de Barcelona

2021- Political Economy – Lecturer
 Universitat de Barcelona

2020- Principles of taxation – Lecturer
 Universitat de Barcelona

2018- Public Finance – Lecturer
 Universitat de Barcelona

2017-2018 Econometrics 2 - EC338, micro-econometrics, Lecturer
 University of Warwick, Department of Economics

2017-2018 Econometrics - EC9760, Teaching Assistant
 Warwick Business School

- 2017-2018 EC9A3 – Advanced Econometric Theory (PhD)
University of Warwick, Department of Economics
- 2015-2018 Econometrics 1 - EC226, Senior Tutor
University of Warwick, Department of Economics
- 2016-2017 Introduction to statistics and Stata, Teaching Assistant
Warwick Business School
- 2015-2017 Econometrics A - EC902/EC907 (MSc), Teaching Assistant
University of Warwick, Department of Economics
- 2014-2016 Econometrics, Teaching Assistant
Warwick Economics Summer School
- 2013-2015 Econometrics 1 - EC226, Teaching Assistant
University of Warwick, Department of Economics

Students and postdocs supervision

- 2025-2027 Federico Franzoni (Marie Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship)
- 2024- PhD students: Elisa Muscarella (with Daniel Montolio)
- 2024 MSc students: Alejandro Oporto Velasquez (with Rosina Moreno),
Jorge Armando García Romero (with Vicente Royuela),
Konrad Zöckler
- 2023 MSc students: Alexander Rütjes
- 2022 MSc students: Cillian Healy (with Guillem Rimbau)
- 2021- PhD students: Daniel Favre (with Albert Solé-Ollé)
- 2021 MSc students: Felix Steckelberg (with Dirk Foremny)

Research Experience and Other Employment

- 2025 Organizer of the IEB Workshop on Political Economy, Universitat de Barcelona; Organizer of XIV IBEO Workshop, Political Economy session, Alghero
- 2025 Member of the editorial board for IEB reports
- 2025 Coordinator for the UB School of Economics Summer School on the Political Economy of Immigration
- 2024 Organizer of the XIII IBEO Workshop, Political Economy session, Alghero

- 2023- Co-Director, IEB Research Program in Political Economy
- 2023 Organizer of the IEB Workshop on Political Economy, Universitat de Barcelona; Organizer of XII IBEO Workshop, Political Economy session, Alghero
- 2022 Organizer of XI IBEO Workshop, Political Economy session, Alghero
- 2021 Organizer of the IEB Workshop on Political Economy, Universitat de Barcelona
- 2020 Organizer of the Workshop on Public Policies: Inequality of Opportunity, Universitat de Barcelona; Coordinator for the 2/2020 IEB report on “The rise of new political parties in Western Democracies”
- 2019 Organizer of the IEB Workshop on Political Economy, Universitat de Barcelona
- 2016-2017 Research Assistant, Fernanda Brolo and Mirko Draca
University of Warwick, Department of Economics
- 2015 Research Assistant, Fernanda Brolo and Juan Carlos Gozzi
University of Warwick, Department of Economics
- 2015 Research Assistant, Thiemo Fetzer
University of Warwick, Department of Economics
- 2014-2015 Research Assistant, Mirko Draca
University of Warwick, Department of Economics
- 2010-2011 Research Assistant, Massimo Bordignon and Gilberto Turati
Catholic University of Milan, Department of Economics

Referee

Journal of European Economic Association; Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization; Journal of Public Economics; American Political Science Review; American Journal of Political Science; Journal of Law and Economics; Canadian Journal of Economics; European Journal of Political Economy; International Tax and Public Finance; Economics Bulletin; Regional Studies; Regional Science and Urban Economics; Economic of Governance; European Union Politics; Comparative Economic Studies; Contemporary Italian Politics; British Journal of Political Science; Political Behavior; The Journal of Politics; Quarterly Journal of Economics.

Seminars Presentations and Conferences

- 2025 *Jumping without parachutes. Revolving doors and political incentives.*
Padova Applied Economics Workshop; Catalan Economic Society Congress (scheduled); 3rd IE-Rochester Workshop on Political Economy (scheduled);
- 2024 *Political backlash against climate policy: the electoral costs of renewable energy in a multilayer government.*
European Public Choice Society, Vienna; Bruneck | Brunico Workshop on Political Economy;
- Jumping without parachutes. Revolving doors and political incentives.*

Catholic University of Milan, work in progress seminar; University of Turin, Lunch Seminar; Barcelona GSE Summer Forum; 2nd ZEW-Ifo Young Scholar Political Economy Workshop; 7th Marco Fanno Workshop;

2023 *Political backlash against climate policy: the electoral costs of renewable energy in a multilayer government.*
Petralia Workshop

The political economy of open borders. Theory and evidence on the role of electoral rules
European Public Choice Society, Hannover; Bocconi University, Pericles Seminar; Seminar at SUPSI, Lugano; Barcelona GSE Summer Forum; Caglio Workshop on migration; Catholic University of Milan, Political Economy Workshop

Pension systems, demographic trends and attitudes towards immigrants
Royal Economic Society, University of Glasgow

2022 *Pension systems, demographic trends and attitudes towards immigrants*
IEB (Universitat de Barcelona); Petralia Workshop; 3rd CReAM/RWI Workshop on the Economics of Migration; St Andrews Workshop on the Political Economy of Immigration

The political economy of open borders. Theory and evidence on the role of electoral rules
Online seminar at RWI, Essen; Conference of Italian Public Economics Society (SIEP), L'Aquila; Lisbon Meeting

2021 *The political economy of open borders. Theory and evidence on the role of electoral rules*
Royal Economic Society, ZEW Public Finance Conference; Understanding Voluntary and Forced Migration, University of Lille; EALE Conference, University of Padua; University of Bergamo

Not welcome anymore: the effect of electoral incentives on the reception of refugees
University of St. Andrews

2020 *The political economy of open borders. Theory and evidence on the role of electoral rules*
Catholic University of Milan; 10th Conference on Immigration in OECD countries; 2020 Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society; Economics of Migration Webinar

Fiscal rules and the selection of politicians: evidence from Italian municipalities
24th Annual Conference of the Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics

Stop Invasion! The electoral tipping point in anti-immigrant voting
Eale-Sole-Aasle World Conference

2019 *Stop Invasion! The electoral tipping point in anti-immigrant voting*
Migration flows: implication for education, health, voting, workshop at Catholic University, Milano

The political economy of open borders. Theory and evidence on the role of electoral rules
Petralia Workshop

Refugee reception, extreme-right voting, and compositional amenities: evidence from Italian municipalities

IEB (Universitat de Barcelona); Forced Displacement, Asylum Seekers and Refugees: Economics Aspects and Policy Issues, workshop at Queen Mary University – London, X IBEO Workshop-Alghero

Fiscal rules and the selection of politicians: evidence from Italian municipalities
Midwest Political Science Association - Chicago, ZEW Public Finance Conference, American Political Science Association – Washington DC, Conference of Italian Public Economics Society (SIEP), Torino

Not welcome anymore: the effect of electoral incentives on the reception of refugees
Workshop on Populism and the Rise of the Radical Right, Uppsala University

2018 *Not welcome anymore: the effect of electoral incentives on the reception of refugees*
IEB (Universitat de Barcelona), Royal Economic Society Conference; ZEW Public Finance Conference, Kiel Institute (invited seminar), 4th Workshop on the Economics of Migration (IAB), Barcelona GSE Summer Forum, IX IBEO Workshop-Alghero;

Fiscal rules and the selection of politicians: evidence from Italian municipalities
IEB (Universitat de Barcelona), Joint Research Centre, Ispra (Italy); Universita' della Svizzera Italiana, Lugano (Switzerland);

2017 *Not welcome anymore: the effect of electoral incentives on the reception of refugees*
CReAM/RWI Workshop on the economics of migration; Petralia Workshop (Job market boot camp); Advances in Political Economy and Public Economics Workshop, Max Planck Institute; 11th Workshop on Political Economy, Ifo Institute; European Winter Meeting – Econometric Society; 42nd SAEe meeting; RES PhD meeting;

Fiscal rules and the selection of politicians: evidence from Italian municipalities
Royal Economic Society Conference; RES Symposium of Junior Researchers; Warwick PhD Conference; Warwick Public Economics/Political Economy workshop; EEA- ESEM;

2016 *Do national political parties matter? Evidence from Italian municipalities*
Royal Economic Society Conference; First Marco Fanno Alumni Workshop, Unicredit, Milan; Evidence-Based Economics Summer Meeting, Universities of Munich, Erlangen-Nuremberg and Regensburg;

Manager or politician? The effect of local fiscal autonomy on political selection
EEA-ESEM;

2015 *Do national political parties matter? Evidence from Italian municipalities*
Conference of Italian Public Economics Society (SIEP), Ferrara;

Manager or politician? The effect of local fiscal autonomy on political selection
VI Alghero Workshop on “Institutions, Individual Behaviour and Economic Outcomes”;

2014 *Manager or politician? The effect of local fiscal autonomy on political selection*
Canadian Public Economics Group; Political Economy Workshop, Catholic University of Milan;

Research projects

- 2025 “Fair Climate Action: How Climate Inequality Impacts Mitigation Efforts.” Flash call to support social sciences’ research projects based on a quantitative survey (F24-2B), La Caixa Banking Foundation. Role: Principal Investigator. 2025.
- 2022-2025 “La Economía política de las políticas de medio ambiente y por la igualdad de género.” MCIUN - Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades, PID2021-126517NB-I00. Principal investigator: Pilar Sorribas Navarro.
- “La economía política local de la respuesta del gobierno a los shocks: cambio climático, acceso a la vivienda, inmigración, y pandemias.” MCIUN - Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades, PID2021-124353NB-I00. Principal investigator: Albert Solé-Ollé.
- 2022-2024 “Ciudades a la vanguardia del cambio climático: políticas basadas en la evidencia y oposición a la política climática.” MCNN - Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (MICINN). TED2021-131886B-I00. Principal investigator: Elisabet Viladecans Marsal.
- “Grup de Recerca Institut d'Economia de Barcelona.” Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR), 2021SGR00355. Principal Investigator: Jose Maria Duran.
- 2022-2023 “Jumping without parachutes. Revolving doors and political incentives.” EIEF Grant 2022. Principal Investigator: Federico Trombetta.
- 2021-2022 “Public Policies for Resilient Societies in Times of Pandemics.” Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2020PANDE00076. Principal Investigator: Judit Vall Castello
- 2019-2021 “Retos globales, respuestas locales? La economía política de la resiliencia a los shocks en gobiernos multinivel.” MCOC - Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad, RTI2018-097271-B I00. Principal investigator: Albert Solé-Ollé, Pilar Sorribas Navarro.
- 2019 “Understanding intergovernmental cooperation: the effect of political homophily.” PGCA –

Departament de la Presidència de la Generalitat de Catalunya, 2018 IEA5 00004. Principal investigator: Albert Solé-Ollé.

2017-2020 “Federalisme fiscal i Economia Urbana”. AGAU - Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR), 2017SGR796. Principal investigator: Albert Solé-Ollé.

Other publications

2022 Book chapter: “Immigrazione e successo elettorale dei partiti populistici. Nuove evidenze sul paradosso del voto anti-immigrati,” M. Bordignon; M. Gamalerio; G. Turati; E. Slerca in the book “Per una migliore integrazione” by M. Bordignon; L. Cappellari, VP VITA E PENSIERO, Pubblicazioni dell’Università Cattolica.

2020 IEB Report 2/2020: “El auge de nuevos partidos políticos en las democracias Occidentales.” Gamalerio, M.; Morelli, M.; Folke, O.; Rickne, J.; Sanz, C.; Solé-Ollé, A.; Sorribas-Navarro, P.

Awards, accreditations and Extra Curricular Achievements

2025 Accreditation from the “Agència per a la Qualitat del Sistema Universitari de Catalunya” (AQU) for the associate/tenured professor position (professor agregat)

2025 Italian national scientific qualification as associate/tenured professor of Economics (13/ECON-01) and Public Economics (13/ECON-03)

2024 Social Research Call 2024 (SRC 2024) – La Caixa – Reached the final stage of the interview process

2024 Sexennis de recerca “Agència per a la Qualitat del Sistema Universitari de Catalunya” (AQU)

2024 Certificat de nivell de suficiència de llengua catalana per al personal docent i investigador (C1)

2020 Accreditation from the “Agència per a la Qualitat del Sistema Universitari de Catalunya” (AQU) for the assistant professor/lecturer position (professorat lector)

- 2017 Paper “Fiscal rules and the selection of politicians: evidence from Italian municipalities”
Winner of the EEA Young Economist Award, EEA-ESEM 2017, Lisbon
Awarded by Unicredit & Universities Foundation
- 2012 ESRC DTC scholarship for 3 years of full-time study.
Awarded by the Graduate School of the University of Warwick
- 2010 “Marco Fanno” scholarship for graduate studies in economics, academic year 2011-2012.
Awarded by Unicredit & Universities Foundation
- 2010 Toefl certificate (Internet based test, final mark 101)
- 2010 GRE (Graduate Record Examination): quantitative 780/800
- 2008 Working Experience Abroad, Catholic University of Melbourne (Australia)
- 2007 Dele certificate (Diploma de Español como lengua extranjera, intermediate level, 95/100)

Skills

Languages: Italian (native), English (fluent), Spanish (fluent), Catalan (fluent)
Computer: Stata, R, Excel, Latex, Scientific Workplace, Word

Personal information

Citizenship: Italian, British
Date and place of birth: 14th of November 1984, Milano (Italia)
Family status: married, one daughter