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EDUCATION

- 2015-present **PhD Candidate in Politics and International Studies, University of Warwick**
- Research Visit, Goethe University Frankfurt, Germany (Fall 2018)
 - Research Visit, Hertie School of Governance, Germany (Fall 2017) [declined]
 - Research Visit, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, Germany (Spring 2017)
- 2013-2014 **MSc in International Political Economy (Merit), London School of Economics**
- 2010-2012 **MA in Politics Administration and Organization (Distinction), University of Bologna, Italy**
- Research Visit at LSE (Government Department) to write the MA dissertation (Fall 2012)
 - ERASMUS Exchange Program with University College Cork, Ireland (2011 – 2012)
- 2007-2010 **BA in Political Science (First Class), University of Bologna, Italy**

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2018-2019 **Short-term Analyst, Organisational Effectiveness Group, European Central Bank, Germany**
- Advised and supported the project manager of ECB's strategic planning by maintaining productive relations with internal stakeholders and facilitating weekly project team meetings
 - Executed a benchmarking project with other central banks and international economic institutions. Activities included: document analysis, knowledge exchange, interviews with external stakeholders, drafting a memo proposing improvements in ECB's strategic planning
 - Conducted a consulting project with the International and EU Relations Department to identify emerging trends and challenges in preparation for the 2020-2023 ECB strategy plan
- 2017-2018 **PhD Trainee, Department of International and EU Relations, European Central Bank, Germany**
- Prepared briefings and background material for senior management and Executive Board members in preparation for their attendance to EU meetings and policy conferences
 - Drafted and presented an internal policy note on the relation between economic convergence, the political economy of wage developments and EU monetary integration
 - Supported organizing the ECB conference on "Public debt, fiscal policy and EMU deepening"
- 09-12/2011 **Research Assistant, Irish Journal of Public Policy, University College Cork, Ireland**
- Supported the research agenda of the Journal's Director by collecting data on the results of the 2011 Irish elections
 - Organized a workshop hosted by the Journal and University College Cork (Government Department) on the rise of populism and its implications for EU legitimacy
 - Coordinated communications between editors, reviewers and authors

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2020-2021 **Module Lecturer, Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Warwick**
- Prepared and recorded the asynchronous lectures as well as led the corresponding synchronous live lectures for the undergraduate module EC304 "Making of Economic Policy"
 - Prepared a list of exam questions for the topics covered during the course
 - Topics included: policy paradigms, epistemic communities, policy failure, strategic ignorance, and the politics of technocracy
- 02/2020 **Guest Lecturer, Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Warwick**
- Designed and delivered one guest lecture on "ECB's economic ideas and their implications for EU economic governance" as part of the undergraduate module EC304 "Making of Economic Policy" – Department of Politics and International Studies
 - Topics included: ideational change, politics of ideas, European economic governance, ECB, EU institutions, fiscal policy, and structural reforms

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- 02/2021 **Manuscript Development Workshop, Warwick Critical Finance group, University of Warwick**
- Paper presented “The political economy of ECB’s ideas: what implications for EU integration?”
- 01/2020 **PhD Winter School “New Political Economy of Europe”, University College Dublin, Ireland**
- Paper presented “The political economy of ECB’s ideas: what implications for EU integration?”
- 05/2018 **The European Union in International Affairs Conference, Vrije Universiteit Brussel**
- Paper presented “The euro crisis in historical perspective: the uncertain future of EMU”
- 09/2016 **GEM Summer School “The EU Socio-Economic Governance in the Crisis Aftermath”, Brussels**
- Paper presented “The powerful logic of German ideas: the evolution of EMU economic governance through the lens of ordoliberalism”
- 07/2016 **Workshop “European Futures”, ESRC DTC and Warwick Brussels Office, Brussels**
- PhD project presentation
- 06/2016 **PhD Conference “The Enduring Reproduction of Crises in Europe”, University of Manchester**
- PhD project presentation

PUBLICATIONS

Mugnai, I. “The political economy of ECB’s economic ideas: what implications for European monetary integration?”, *Comparative European Politics* – submitted as part of a special issue project (*Revise and Resubmit*)

Mugnai, I. (2015) “Germany’s Hegemonic Reluctance in the Euro Crisis: The Role of Interest Groups”, *Annali della Fondazione L. Einaudi* (vol. XLVIII)

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2016 *ESRC Overseas Fieldwork Funding Grant*, University of Warwick (£4,400)
- 2015 *PhD Studentship*, Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Warwick (£14,140)
- 2015 *ESRC Tuition Fees Award*, University of Warwick (£4,052 annual)
- 2013 *Roberto Einaudi Scholarship*, Fondazione L. Einaudi, Italy (\$28,000)
- 2013 *Master of Arts Scholarship*, SAIS, J. Hopkins University (€10,000) [declined]
- 2012 *Merit Award*, Faculty of Political Science, University of Bologna (€2,500)
- 2012 *Thesis Research Abroad Grant*, University of Bologna (€2,250)
- 2011 *LLP-Erasmus Exchange Grant*, University College Cork, Ireland (€2,520)
- 2010 *Merit Award*, Faculty of Political Science, University of Bologna (€1,500)

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2021-present **PAIS PhD-MA Buddy Scheme, University of Warwick**
- Acted as informal mentor explaining to MA students what it is like to write a doctoral thesis, which factors to consider when choosing a supervisor, and how to write a research proposal
 - Provided feedback on early drafts of their research proposal as well as the final draft
- 2015-2016 **Critical International and Political Studies (CRIPS) group, University of Warwick**
- Organized and took part into a mock first year review for PhD students in preparation for their official upgrade. Activities included: finding available reviewers, allocating reviewers to projects, booking rooms and refreshments, providing feedback and support to fellow researchers
 - Organized the 2016 CRIPS Annual Lecture featuring Prof. Andrew Gamble (University of Cambridge) presenting his book “Can the welfare state survive?”
- 2015-2016 **PhD Students Representative, ESRC DTC, University of Warwick**
- Voiced students’ concerns and requests on available training and funding through active engagement with the ESRC DTC Management Committee
 - Proposed to restructure the ‘Qualitative Methods’ course to better target and address the exigencies of an interdisciplinary cohort of doctoral students

LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

Languages: Italian (native), English (proficient), French (upper-intermediate), German (intermediate)

MS Teams, MS Word, MS Power Point, MS Outlook: Advanced knowledge. MS Excel: intermediate knowledge