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## EDUCATION

<i>PhD in Sociology</i>	2011– 2016	<b>EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE</b> Sociology and Political Science Dept.
<i>MSc Economics and Social Sciences</i>	2006-2009	<b>L. BOCCONI UNIVERSITY</b>
<i>BSc Economics and Social Sciences</i>	2003-2006	<b>L. BOCCONI UNIVERSITY</b>

## PhD DISSERTATION

*Fertility in Time of Economic Crisis. The Great Recession effects on childbearing in the US.*

Thesis Supervisor: Fabrizio Bernardi (Professor of Sociology at EUI)

Thesis Co-Supervisor: Martin Kohli (Emeritus Professor of Sociology at EUI)

External members of the examining board: Anette Fasang (Humboldt University and WZB); Arnstein Aassve (Bocconi University).

Chosen as notable thesis among those defended in 2016 in SPS Department at EUI (<http://www.eui.eu/DepartmentsAndCentres/PoliticalAndSocialSciences/ResearchAndTeaching/Theses/notable-Ph.D.-theses.aspx>).

Thesis submitted to the ECSR Prize 2017 for the best 2016 PhD thesis.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social and family demography, family dynamics, fertility, childlessness, social mobility, intergenerational class, education and income mobility, siblings' correlation, inequality, economic uncertainty, quantitative methods, causal inference, marriage and divorce, divorce penalty.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

<i>Postdoctoral researcher</i>	September 2017 – August 2018	<b>Stockholm University</b> <b>SUDA - Demography Unity</b> <b>(Sociology Department)</b> Researcher within the <i>Linnaeus Center on Social Policy and Family Dynamics in Europe</i> , SPaDE.
<i>Postdoctoral researcher</i>	September 2016 – August 2017	<b>Stockholm University</b> <b>SUDA - Demography Unity</b> <b>(Sociology Department)</b> Researcher within the <i>Tackling Inequalities in Time of Austerity (TITA)</i> Project. Work group 2.1 on social mobility and equality of opportunity. Currently working on a sub-project on class and income siblings correlation in Finland.
<i>Research Assistant</i>	September 2015 - March 2016	<b>European University Institute</b> Families and Societies Project – Changing Families and sustainable societies (grant agreement no 320116).
<i>Research Assistant</i>	March 2011 - July 2011	<b>L. Bocconi University</b> Research for the Accounting Department. SDA School of Management.

## TEACHING AND SUPERVISION EXPERIENCE

<i>Demography 2-year Master thesis supervision</i>	February 2017 – June 2018	<b>Stockholm University</b>
<i>Teaching Assistant</i>	January 2017 – June 2017	<b>University of Florence</b> Teaching Assistant in the course of “Business Demography” for the master program in “Design of Sustainable Tourism Systems” in the A.Y. 2016/2017. Co-teaching with professor Daniele Vignoli.
<i>Teaching Assistant</i>	January 2016 – June 2016	<b>University of Florence</b> Teaching Assistant in the course of “Business Demography” for the master program in “Design of Sustainable Tourism Systems” in the A.Y. 2015/2016. Co-teaching with professor Daniele Vignoli.

## PAPERS AND PUBLICATIONS

Comolli, C.L., 2017, "The fertility response to the Great Recession in Europe and the United States. Structural economic conditions and perceived economic uncertainty", *Demographic Research*, 36(51): 1549-1600.

Comolli, C.L., Caltabiano, M. and Rosina, A., 2017, "The effect of the Great Recession on permanent childlessness in Italy", *Demographic Research*, Revise and Resubmit.

Comolli, C.L. and F. Bernardi, 2015, "The causal effect of the Great Recession on childlessness of white American women", *IZA Journal of Labor Economics*, 4:21.

Bernardi, F. and C.L. Comolli, 2016, "*Connubium: who marries whom*", in G. Ritzer (ed.), *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*, Cambridge: Blackwell Publishing.

## CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

Nordic Demographic Symposium, Turku, June 2017. Paper presentation "Couples' employment dynamic during the Great Recession and their transition to parenthood."

TITA WP2 meeting, Turku, June 2017. Paper presentation "Fertility in Finland: from counter- to pro-cyclical?"

TITA meeting, Stockholm University, Stockholm, May 2017. Paper presentation "Trends in brother correlations in class and incomes in Finland: A comparison of cohorts born in 1932-62" (co-authored with Juho Härkönen, Jani Erola and Markus Jäntti).

SUDA and SPaDE Colloquium Series, Stockholm University, Stockholm, March 2017. Paper presentation: "The heterogeneous consequences of parental separation on children's educational outcomes in Spain" (co-authored with Fabrizio Bernardi).

Population Days/Le giornate della Popolazione 2017 (SIS-AISP), Firenze (IT), February 2017. Paper presentations: "The effect of the Great Recession on permanent childlessness in Italy" (co-authored with Alessandro Rosina and Marcantonio Caltabiano), "Intergenerational mobility during the Great Recession: the impact on the transition to motherhood for American women". Poster presentation: "The change in divorce educational gradients and heterogeneous consequences of parental separation on children's educational outcomes in Spain" (co-authored with Fabrizio Bernardi).

Inequality Working Group (EUI), Firenze, February 2017. Paper presentation: "Trends in brother correlations in class and incomes in Finland: A comparison of cohorts born in 1932-62" (co-authored with Juho Härkönen, Jani Erola and Markus Jäntti).

AlpPop, the Alpine Population Conference 2017, La Thuile (IT), January 2017. Paper presentation "Intergenerational mobility during the Great Recession: the impact on the transition to motherhood for American women".

ECSR 1st Thematic Workshop on Demography and Inequality, Berlin, December 2016. Paper presentation: "Intergenerational mobility during the Great Recession: the impact on the transition to motherhood for American women".

Novantesimo Istat, conference entitled "La Società italiana e le grandi crisi economiche 1929-2016", Rome, November 2016. Presentation on: "La fecondità ai tempi della crisi. L'effetto della Grande Recessione negli Stati Uniti".

SUDA and SPaDE Colloquium Series, Stockholm University, Stockholm, November 2016. Paper presentation: "The effect of the Great Recession on permanent childlessness in Italy" (co-authored with Alessandro Rosina and Marcantonio Caltabiano).

Divorce conference, Stockholm, October 2016. Poster presentation: "The change in the educational gradient of parental divorce in Spain and the heterogeneous consequences of parental separation on children's educational attainment" (co-authored with Fabrizio Bernardi).

Mutademo conference (The impact and challenges of demographic change), Paris, September 2016. Paper presentation: "The effect of the Great Recession on permanent childlessness in Italy" (co-authored with Alessandro Rosina and Marcantonio Caltabiano).

TITA research meeting, Turku, September 2016. Paper presentation: "Fertility in time of economic crisis: The fertility response to the Great Recession in Europe and the US".

EPC 2016, Mainz, August 2016. Paper presentation: "The effect of the Great Recession on permanent childlessness in Italy" (co-authored with Alessandro Rosina and Marcantonio Caltabiano). Poster presentation: "The change in the educational gradient of parental divorce in Spain and the heterogeneous consequences of parental separation on children's educational attainment" (co-authored with Fabrizio Bernardi).

Pairfam conference (Parenting, Co-Parenting and Child Well-being in Changing Families), Munich, June 2016. Paper presentation: "The change in the educational gradient of parental divorce in Spain and the heterogeneous consequences of parental separation on children's educational attainment" (co-authored with Fabrizio Bernardi).

Demography Seminar, Louvain-la-Neuve, March 2016. Paper presentation: "The aggregate fertility response to the Great Recession: material economic conditions and perceived economic uncertainty".

RC28 University of Penn, Philadelphia, August 2015. Paper presentation: "The causal effect of the Great Recession on childlessness of white American women".

Italian Association of Population Studies (Sis-Aisp). Le Giornate di Studio sulla Popolazione, Palermo, February 2015. Paper presentation: "The causal effect of the Great Recession on definite Childlessness in the US: a Difference-in-Difference approach using Pseudo-Panels".

ECSR, Berlin, September 2014. Paper presentation: "Intergenerational Mobility during the Great Recession: the impact on the transition to motherhood for American women".

## **REFEREE EXPERIENCE**

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Italian *Mother tongue*  
English *Proficient*  
French *Intermediate*  
Spanish *Basic*

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Scientific applications:

STATA (Advanced) and basic knowledge of R.

Econometrics: Linear and Non Linear (Ordered, Multinomial) Regression Models. Log-linear models and mobility tables. Panel data (Fixed, Random, Mixed Models). Multilevel (Hierarchical) Models. Event History Analysis. Causal Inference designs (Natural and Quasi-Experiments; Difference in Difference; Regression Discontinuity; Matching).

## FURTHER INFORMATION

**Teacher Training Certificate** from the European University Institute (July 2015).

**COURSERA** online seminars (Certificate of Accomplishment):

2015, "Model Thinking", Professor Scott Page, University of Michigan.

2014, "A beginners' Guide to Irrational Behavior", Professor Dan Ariely, Duke University.

**EXCHANGE** programs:

2013, Visiting Research Scholar, Dept. of Demography, University of Berkeley (UCB), CA, US.  
Mentor: Professor Ronald Lee.

2005, Student Exchange Program, Dept. of Economics, University of Victoria (UVIC), BC, CA.

## NON-ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

2009-2011, Researcher at PROMOS, Agency of the Milan Chamber of Commerce for International Affairs, Milan, IT.

2009, Researcher at Equilibri, Think tank and Online Magazine of Geopolitics and International dynamics, Milan, IT (Publications in Italian).

2008, Internship at Mimo Finance, Microcredit NGO. Dehradun, Uttarakhand, INDIA.