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MAIN ACADEMIC POSITIONS

LUISS Guido Carli, Department of Economics and Finance
Tenured Associate Professor: 2024-

EIEF
Research affiliate: 2024-

Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Department of Economics and Business
Tenured Associate Professor: 2016-
Ramon y Cajal Fellow: 2020-2024
Assistant Professor: 2011-2016

OTHER POSITIONS

ERC Consolidator Recipient
PI, Project: Historical Roots of Global Inequality
2024-

Barcelona School of Economics (BSE)
Research Associate
2011-

Institute of Political Economy and Governance (IPEG)
Research Associate
2020-

Center for Economic and Policy Research (CEPR)
Research Associate
2017-

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Princeton University, Department of Economics
Kenen Fellow: 2022-2023

University of Warwick
Assistant Professor: 2013-2016

Economic Journal
Associate Editor: 2017-2023

EDUCATION

Ph.D Economics 2010
Boston College, Chestnut Hill, U.S.

M.A. Economics 2007
Boston College, Chestnut Hill, U.S

B.A. Economics 2003
Bocconi University, Milan, Italy.
Summa cum laude

MAIN PUBLICATIONS or WP AT ADVANCED STAGES

-**The Dawn of Civilization: Metal Trade and the Rise of Hierarchy**, with M. Flueckiger, M. Larch and M. Ludwig, CEPR Discussion Paper 18767 *conditionally accepted on the American Economic Review*.

-**Wars, Local Institutions and Fiscal Capacity: Evidence from Five Centuries of German History**, with S. Becker, A. Ferrara and E. Melander, *the Journal of European Economic Association, forthcoming*.

-**Solving the Longitude Puzzle: A Story of Clocks, Ships and Cities**, with M. Miotto, *the Journal of International Economics, forthcoming*.

-**The Origin of the State: Land Productivity or Appropriability?**, 2022, with J. Mayshar, and O. Moav. *the Journal of Political Economy, 130(4), 1091-1144*.

*Media Coverage: [Washington Post](#), [Financial Times](#), [Haaretz \(Hebrew\)](#), [La Vanguardia \(Spanish\)](#), [Barcelona GSE Focus](#), [Mostly Economics](#), [Naked Capitalism](#), [War in Context](#), [InsTED](#), [Folha de S. Paulo \(Portoguese\)](#), [El Diario \(Spanish\)](#). *[VoxEU](#) column

-**Productivity and the Welfare of Nations**, 2022, with S. Basu, F. Schiantarelli and L. Serven, *the Journal of European Economic Association, 20(4), 1647-1683*.

-**Religion, Division of Labor and Conflict: Anti-Semitism in German Regions over 600 Years**, 2019, with S. Becker, *the American Economic Review, 109(5), 1764-1804*.

*Media Coverage: [Marginal Revolution](#), [Barcelona GSE Focus](#)

-**The Wind of Change: Maritime Technology, Trade and Economic Development**, 2017, *the American Economic Review, 107(9), 2821-54*.

*Media Coverage: [LSE Business Review Blog](#), [Marginal Revolution](#), [NEP-HIS Blog](#), [Futurity](#), [La Vanguardia \(Spanish\)](#), [La Vanguardia 2 \(Interview, Spanish\)](#) *[VoxEU](#) column

-**Banks and Development: Jewish Communities in the Italian Renaissance and Current Economic Performance**, 2016, *Review of Economics and Statistics, 98(1), 140-158*.

*Media Coverage: [The Economist](#), [Daily Mail](#), [Jerusalem Post](#), [i24news](#), [JSpaceNews](#), [Jewish Business News](#), [Canadian Jewish News](#), [Aurora Israel \(Spanish\)](#), [Atlantico \(French\)](#), [Salom \(Turkish\)](#), [KP.ru \(Russian\)](#), [Naked Science \(Russian\)](#), [Sputnick Polska \(Polish\)](#), [OdaTv \(Turkish\)](#), [Edu24 \(Estonian\)](#).

WORKING PAPERS AT ADVANCED STAGES

Can a Grain of Patience Trigger Cooperation: the Role of an Outside Option, with O. Moav and A. Pauzner. CAGE WP 1554.

Productivity, Welfare and Reallocation: Theory and Firm-level, with S. Basu, F. Schiantarelli and L. Serven, NBER Working Paper 15579.

BOOKS and BOOK CHAPTERS

International Trade, 2022, with D. Atkin, A. Khandelwal, L. Boudreau, R. Dix-Carneiro, I. Manelici, P. Medina, B. McCaig, A. Morjaria, B. Rijkers and M. Startz. VoxDevLit.

Religious Persecution, 2022, with S. Becker, in the Handbook of Labor, Human Resources and Population (ed K. F. Zimmermann), Springer.

The use of archaeological data in economics, 2020, in The Handbook of Historical Economics (eds Bisin, A. and Federico G.), Elsevier.

Maritime Technology, Trade, and Economic Development. Evidence from the First Era of Trade Globalization, 2017, in Michalopoulos S. and Papaioannou E., “The Long Economic and Political Shadow of History”, CEPR Press.

Tax Systems and Tax Reforms in South and East Asia: Japan, 2016, in Bernardi L., Fraschini A. and Shome P., “Tax systems and tax reforms in South East Asia”, Routledge, International Studies in Money and Banking, London.

EDITORSHIP AND REFEREEING ACTIVITY

- Associate Editor, **Economic Journal (2017-2023)**
- 100+ referee reports for all the major econ journals.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

-Organizer of the "Workshop on the Political Economy of Development and Conflict" at Pompeu Fabra University (2024), with Marta Reynal Querol.

-Organizer of the "Political Economy Workshop" at LUISS-Guido Carli (2024).

-Organizer of the Summer Workshop "Towards Sustained Economic Growth: Geography, Demography and Institutions" at the Barcelona GSE (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2022)

-Chair of the Conference "Galatina Summer Meetings" (2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)

-Organizer of the Seminar Series on Labor, Public and Development at Pompeu Fabra University, with Gianmarco Leon (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)

-Organizer of the Seminar Series on Institutions, History and Organizations at University of Warwick, with Mirko Draca (2013, 2014)

-Organizer of the Internal Applied Lunch at Pompeu Fabra University, with Libertad Gonzales (2012, 2013)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

"The Dawns of Civilization" presented at:

Autonoma Barcelona (2023), Autonoma Madrid (2023), Bocconi (2023), Boston College (2023), Bayreuth (2023), CEMFI (2023), CEPR Political Economy and Institutions (2023), Dartmouth (2023), Drexel (2023), George Mason University (2023), Georgetown (2023), Harvard (2023), LUISS (2023), Maastricht University (2023), University of Michigan (2022), NBER Culture and Institutions (2023), NBER SI Inequality and Macroeconomics (2023), New York University (2023), University of Pennsylvania (2023), Pompeu Fabra University (2023), Princeton (2023), Princeton IES Summer Trade Workshop (2023), Stanford (2023), USC Trade Miniconference (2023), Toulouse (2023), UCLA (2023), Yale (2023), York (2023), Northwestern (2025), Berkeley (2025).

"Wars, Local Institutions and Fiscal Capacity: Evidence from Six Centuries of German History" presented at:

UCLA (2018), NYU (2019), University of Hong Kong (2019), University of Zurich (2019), Lucca IMT (2019), Growth Theory Conference - Brown University (2019), Northwestern University (2020), Bonn (2022), EUI (2022), Luiss (2022), Princeton University (2022), Harvard Business School (2022).

"Cereals, Appropriability and Hierarchy" presented at:

CEPR Public Economics (2014), Growth Theory Conference - Brown University (2015), University of Warwick (2015), Yale University (2015), New York University (2015), Harvard University (2015), Boston University (2015), Columbia University (2015), NBER-BREAD Development (2015), University College of London/London School of Economics (2015), University of Munich (2015), CEPR Development (2015), NBER Political Economy (2016), Stanford University (2016), UC-Berkeley Haas (2016), NBER SI Inequality (2016), Bocconi University (2017), Higher School of Economics, Moscow (2017), Tel Aviv (2017), CEPR-History (2017), NBER Political Economy (2017), Science Po (2018), University of Cambridge (2020).

"Religion, Division of Labor and Conflict: Anti-Semitism in German Regions over 600 Years" presented at:

University of Warwick (2014), University of Munich (2014), Growth Theory Conference - Brown University (2015), CEU Budapest (2015), Notre Dame (2015), UC-Davis (2015), UC-Berkeley (2015), UCLA (2015), UC Irvine (2015), University of Copenhagen (2015), University of Southern Denmark (2015), University of Sussex (2015), EEA Conference (2015), Harvard University (2016), Pompeu Fabra University (2016), University of Zurich (2016) SIOE Conference in Paris (2016), Northwestern University (2016), New York University (2017), NBER- Culture and Institutions (2017), Tel Aviv University (2017), Bank of Italy (2018), UCLA (2018), Boston WEHC (2018).

"The Wind of Change: Maritime Technology, Trade and Economic Development" presented at:

University of Jena (2012), Pompeu Fabra University (2012), Growth Theory Conference – Brown University (2013), University of Warwick (2013), University of Oxford (2014), University of Essex (2014), Queen Mary University of

London (2014), RES Annual Meeting (2014), NBER SI –Development Economics (2014), NBER SI- International Economics (2014), PSE-Sciences Po (2014), University of Copenhagen (2014), University of Amsterdam (2014), University of Southern Denmark (2014), University of Nottingham (2014), London School of Economics (2015, 2016), HEC Montreal (2015), Princeton University (2015), University of Munich (2015), University of Milano-Bicocca (2015), EEA Conference (2015), University of Oxford (2015 and 2016), University of Bonn (2015), Stanford University (2015).

“Banks and Development: Jewish Communities in the Italian Renaissance and Current Economic Performance” presented at:

Boston College (2009), Boston University (2009), Brown University (2009), Clemson University (2010), UC-Berkeley (2010), Santa Clara University (2010), Clemson College (2010), Simon Fraser University (2010), Universita’ degli Studi di Napoli-Federico II (2010), Bank of Italy (2010), Collegio Carlo Alberto (2010), London Business School (2010), Pompeu Fabra University (2010), EIEF (2011), Harvard Business School (2012), Universidad Carlos III (2013), University of Warwick (2013), ASSA Conference (2014).

“Productivity and the Welfare of Nations” presented at:

NBER Monetary Economics (2012), Pompeu Fabra University (2013), Harvard University (2013), MIT (2013).

GRANTS

ERC Consolidator 2023. The historical roots of global inequality. 2024-2029, PI

Fundacion BBVA. Beca Leonardo. 2020-2023 (38,140 €), PI

Ministero de Economia y Competitividad. Ramon y Cajal Fellowship. 2020-2025. (308,600€), PI

Fundacion la Caixa. 2018-2020. Coordinating against the Mafia: Experimental Evidence from an anti-Racket Policy in Sicily, Obra Social Fundacion la Caixa (20,000€), PI

Ministero de Economia y Competitividad. 2018-2020. Crisis económica y fragilidad social: el papel de las instituciones, la diversidad social, la política pública y los medios de comunicación. ECO2017-82696-P. Co-investigator. (66,550€)

Ministero de Economia y Competitividad. 2015-2017. La prevencion de crisis y conflictos. ECO2014-5555-P. Co-investigator (108,900€).

Ministerio de Economia y Competitividad. 2014-2016. Macroeconomia Aplicada i Mètodes Quantitatius. 2014-SGR546, Co-investigator (36,000€)

Ministerio de Economia y Competitividad. 2011-2014. Capital humano, iniciativa empresarial y productividad. ECO2011-25272, Co-investigator (123,750€)

Barcelona GSE. Seed Grant: 2017 (10,000€) and 2012 (8,000€)

University of Warwick. CAGE Small Grant Initiative: 2015 (8,000£) and 2013 (5,000£)

HONORS AND AWARDS

11th International Conference “Economics of Global Interactions”. 2020. Keynote speaker.

La Vanguardia – Fundació Catalunya La Pedrera. 2017. Finalist of the 2017 Vanguardia de la Ciencia.

Economic Journal Referee Prize. 2016.

Jamboree Conference, European Doctoral Program. 2016. Keynote speaker.

Boston College. 2011. Dissertation Donald White Award.

Boston College. 2010. Research Excellence Award.

Bocconi University. 2003. Premio di Laurea “Carlo Manzoni” - Best Italian undergraduate thesis in Public Finance.

Bocconi University. 2003. Gold Medal to the Best Undergraduate Students in 2003.