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Our Testimonials

Graduates in Development Economics

The MSc in Economics and Development - curriculum in Development Economics started in the a.y. 2014/2015. This corresponds to the previous MSc in Development Economics and former MSc in Economia dello sviluppo avanzata to which most of our testimonials were enrolled.



Tommaso

Master in Economics and Development
Curriculum in Development Economics (2019)
(Double Degree Program Florence-Göttingen)

**2021 – Research Assistant at the Italian
National Research Council (CNR)**

*Working with a team of researchers focused on
the relationships between environment and urban
tissues development.*



*My main tasks are air pollution data analysis and
supporting the air quality devices hardwares
assembling.*



Giulia

Master in Economics and Development
Curriculum in Development Economics (2019)

2020 – Research Assistant at
Italian National Research Council (CNR)



My current research topic is in agriculture and development; in particular I carry out socio-economic analysis on woman rice producers in rural areas of Casamance, Senegal



Lisa

Master in Economics and Development
Curriculum in Development Economics (2019)
(Double Degree Program Florence-Göttingen)

2019 – PhD student in Markets and
Institutions for Development and
Innovation at Sapienza University, Rome



*My main research interests include rural development
and the diffusion of more efficient agricultural
techniques among small farmers.*



Margherita

Master in Economics and Development
Curriculum in Development Economics (2019)

2019 – PhD Candidate in Science and
Management of Climate Change at Ca'
Foscari University of Venice



Research interests: developing countries roles and opportunities in international climate negotiations; inequality and climate policies relationship.



Alessandra

Master in Economics and Development
Curriculum in Development Economics (2019)

2019 – PhD Student at University of Torino
– Collegio Carlo Alberto

My research interests are mainly development, labour and feminist economics. For what concerns research methods, my focus is on microeconometrics and policy impact evaluation techniques.





Sara

Master in Economics and Development
Curriculum in Development Economics (2018)

2019 – Researcher at Euro-Mediterranean
Economists Association (EMEA)

Think tank on Mediterranean Region



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Giulio

Master in Economics and Development
Curriculum in Development Economics (2017)

2017 – Ph.D. Student in Development
Economics and Local Systems at the
University of Trento and the University of
Florence



In my Ph.D research I am studying the structure of international trade with a particular focus on the participation of African Developing countries.



Francesco

Master in Economics and Development
Curriculum in Development Economics (2017)

**2017 – International Consultant at the
International Trade Center (UNCTAD-WTO)**

Working in a team focused on global value chains in agri-food sector, I am responsible for the Monitoring and Evaluation of projects.

My main tasks are data analysis, editing reports and supporting the implementation of the projects both from the HQ in Geneva and travelling to countries involved in the projects.

Currently I am working on a project on coconuts producers in the Caribbean.





Eugenia

Master in Economics and Development
Curriculum in Development Economics (2016)

2020 – Official at the Italian Ministry of Economy
and Finance
(Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze, MEF)



After the master I got a Ph.D. in Development Economics and Local Systems at the University of Florence and the University of Trento with a thesis on the impact of natural and economic shocks on migration



Margherita

Master in Economics and Development
Curriculum in Development Economics (2016)

2019 – Ph.D. Student in Development
Economics and Local Systems at the
University of Trento and the University of
Florence

*Research interests: agricultural economics, food security
and nutrition, poverty reduction and agrobiodiversity.*

*After the master she got several positions in
FAO and in IFAD, firstly as intern and after as
consultant and research assistant. She
conducted economic research on the topics of
poverty, structural transformation and small
family farmers, contributing to several reports
and papers.*





Marta

Master in Development Economics (2016)

2018

Research Associate at the Robert Schuman
Centre for Advanced Studies (European
University Institute)

*Research Associate for the GlobalStat project, which
gathers statistical data economic, environmental,
political, social, societal and cultural performance of
nations.*

and

Monitoring and Evaluation specialist at ARCO
research center

*ARCO is university centre offering research, consulting,
and training services in local development, social
economy, inclusive development, M&E and impact
evaluation, and sustainable food commodities.*

2017 – Research Associate at BRAC Uganda





Giulia

Master in Development Economics (2016)

2017 – Junior Buyer at Fincantieri

After 6 months as a Project Manager at ITA – Italian Trade Agency, I am now involved in a project with China, within the Merchant Ship Business Unit at Fincantieri. I am part of the Buyers team responsible for the purchasing of cruise ships components and parts addressed to the Chinese market.





Dario

Master in Economics and Development
Curriculum in Development Economics (2015)

2016 – Research intern at ISEG University of Lisbon

2016/17 – Erasmus Mundus Master in Economics of Globalisation and European Integration

2017 – Trainee at European Commission

2018-ongoing – Project Officer and Market Analyst at Shecco, Brussels

I am managing EU-funded projects in the environment and sustainable development fields. Other tasks include reporting, market research and data analysis.





Ermanno

Master in Development Economics (2015)

2015 – on-going : Project Management and Development - Starkmacher e.V.

Poverty alleviation, agriculture and empowerment; poverty reduction strategies and livelihood programs for rural dwellers to become self-sufficient, responsible and productive members of the family and community.

2016 – on-going : Sustainable Coffee Value Chain Consultant- Umami Area (and miscellaneous)

Coffee trainer and value chain consultant.; integration of coffee smallholders into global value chains; empowerment strategies of coffee producers belonging to ethnic minorities; consultant for market integration of coffee companies.





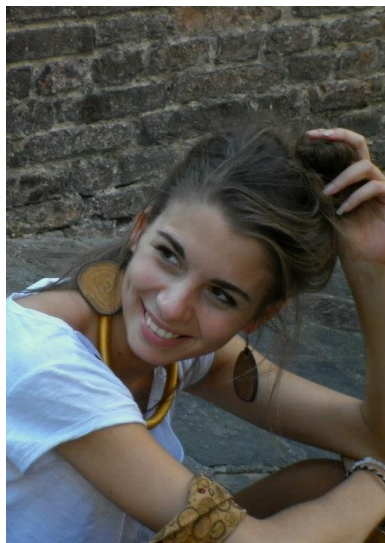
Luca

Master in Development Economics (2015)

2017 – PhD Student in Development Economics and Local Systems

After an Overseas period in Peking during my master's degree, I am a PhD Student at DELoS University of Florence and University of Trento with a thesis on inequality in China.





Greta

Master in Development Economics (2014)

2021 – Max Weber Fellow, European University Institute (EUI)

PhD. Oxford Department of International Development

Current research:

Resilience and Complex Emergencies

Previous works

- FAO Somalia M&E Consultant (2013-2014),
- EUTF consultant at Research and Evidence Facility (REF) (2020)
- Development Economics Visiting Lecturer at Friedensburg University (2019-2020)
- Research Associate EUI (2019)





Cristina

Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata (2013)

2020 – Economist at Ministry of Economy and Finance - Italy (Directorate for Studies and Research, Department of Finance)

2018-2019 - Consultant at UNICEF-Office of Research

2018 – Short Consultancy at IFAD

2015-2019 - Ph.D. in Development Economics and Local Systems (University of Florence)

2013-2015 - Consultant at UNDP-International Policy Center for Inclusive Growth

2012-2013 - Research Assistant at EUI





Mariaelena

Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata (2013)

2017 – PhD Student in Economics at
University of *Chieti and Pescara*

*Applied Economics, Agricultural Economics and
Environmental Economics*

2017 - External Consultant on Project
Management (LVIA)





Tommaso

Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata (2013)

2018 – Analyst Officer – Action Aid

ActionAid is an international charity working with the poorest women and girls in the world, changing lives for good.

Financial planning, data analysis, monitoring and reporting.

2015 – Data Analyst – PerMicro

PerMicro is the first Italian institution in terms of number of granted microcredits and disbursed amount.

Credit scoring model, data management and reporting, monitoring the risk portfolio and credit process.





Giulio

Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata (2012)

2017 – Field Coordinator Assistant at “REACH Initiative”

Working on a research project of UNICEF on Unaccompanied and Separated Minors in Sicily

After my Master’s graduation I worked for three years in Burkina Faso and Ghana as National Coordinator for the “Nubian Vault Association”, French NGO active in the housing sector in Sahelian Africa. Back to Italy, I worked in with migrants, as operator in a reception centre and as Field Coordinator Assistant for a UNICEF-REACH research project.





Olivia

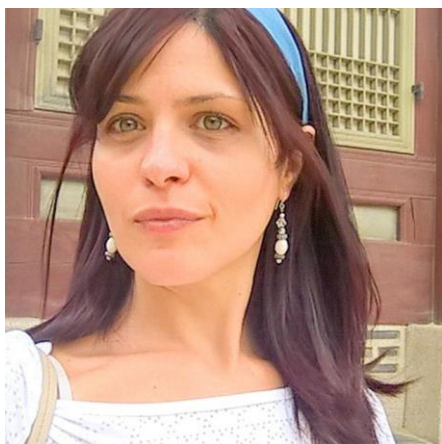
Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata
(2011)

Master Recherche in Public Policy and
Development, Paris School of Economics (2012)

PhD in Economics, Paris School of Economics
(2016)

**2016 – Lecturer in Agricultural and
Development Economics at Lancaster
University (UK)**





Marica

Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata
(2010)

2017 – Post-Doc Researcher at University of Göttingen

I obtained a Ph.D. in Development Economics from University of Göttingen in 2015.

Since February 2017, I work as a postdoc researcher at the University of Göttingen, where I am engaged in a research project financed by MWK on the role of shocks on pro-poor growth.

Over the past five years, I have also gained international experience in policy advisory work, by contributing to the realization of studies for non-academic institutions such as Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and TNP2K (National team for the Acceleration of Poverty Reduction) at the Government of Indonesia.





Antonio

Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata (2009)

2017–Empirical analysis specialist at FAO

After the master he earned a Ph.D. in Development Economics at the University of Florence in 2015. He has been research fellow at the Department of Economic and Statistics of the University of Salerno from December 2013 to May 2015.

Since 2016, he is working with the Economics and Policy Innovations for Climate-Smart Agriculture (EPIC) team of the Agricultural Development Economics Division at FAO, where he conducts data analysis on the adoption and impact of Climate Smart Agriculture in several African countries.



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Beatrice

Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata (2009)

2014 – present: Social and Economic Analysis Specialist at UNICEF Tanzania

2012-2014: Social Policy Officer at UNICEF Timor-Leste

2011-2012: Economic Affairs Expert at UN Mission in Liberia



Raian

Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata (2009)

2017 – Economist at the World Bank

Working on regulatory climate reform, private sector and agricultural development.





Marco

Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata (2008)

2017 – Survey Specialist, World Bank
Development Data Group (DECDG)
Survey Unit – LSMS

After the master he got a Ph.D. in Development Economics at the University of Florence in 2012. Then he worked at the Agricultural Development Economics Division at FAO and as Post-Doc Fellow at the Department of Economics and Management of the University of Florence



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Andrea

Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata (2007)

2017 – Postdoctoral Researcher – Lecturer
D.I.C.E., Heinrich Heine Uni. Duesseldorf

PhD in Economics, Bocconi University (2015)

Master in Economics, University of Waterloo (2008)

- *Research interests: Empirical and Theoretical International Economics*
- *Teaching: Master courses on Macroeconomics and International Economics; Bachelor courses on Microeconomics and International Economics*





Elena

Master in Economia dello Sviluppo Avanzata (2007)

2017 – Researcher at IRPET

(Regional Institute for Economic Planning of Tuscany)

After graduation in Development Macroeconomics with a thesis on occupational impact of immigration, I had an internship at IRPET and a fellowship project at HWWI (Hamburg) on migration economics. I am currently part of the welfare and labour area at IRPET with a specialization in labour economics.

