

Curriculum Vitae – Fall 2023

Family name: Perotti
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Qualifications

PhD in Social and Political Sciences (2023 – 2027)

Bocconi University

City: Milan, Italy

Double Degree Master in Public Policy and Human Development (2021-2022)

United Nations University – MERIT & Maastricht University

City: Maastricht, The Netherlands

Field of Study: Public Policy, Public Policy Analysis, Migration Policies, Migration Governance

Thesis Title: Community-Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM): the role of NGOs in the refugee camp of Kara Tepe, Lesvos

Grade: Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor Degree in International Relations and Global Affairs (2018-2021)

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore di Milano

City: Milan, Italy

Field of Study: Political Sciences, International Relations

Thesis Title: Aegean humanitarian crisis and the management challenges of ethnic and religious minorities. The case of Yazidis and Christians within Greece's refugee camps

Grade: 110/110

Awards and Scholarships

PhD Fellowship - Bocconi University (2023 – 2027)

Best MA Thesis award – United Nations University (2022)

LinCs Scholarship – Università Cattolica del Sacro cuore di Milano (2019)

Research Interests

Migration Studies, European Migration Policies, European borders externalizations, Border Studies, Public Policy, Ethnic and Religious Minorities Studies

Work in Progress

“Pre-migrants opinions on EU-funded migration campaigns, evidence from The Gambia”, joint with Omar N. Cham

Abstract:

In recent years, information campaigns (IC) have increasingly served as tools to manage and externalize Europe's borders. Nevertheless, scant research has delved into the perceptions and opinions held by prospective migrants with regard to these campaigns and whether such perceptions influence their decision to migrate. This paper, based on an analysis of 64 individual interviews and 4 focus groups, seeks to

comprehend the perspectives of potential migrants concerning Europe's stringent migration policies and the opportunities to migrate in “legal” ways. The findings reveal that prospective migrants often construct a prevailing narrative of Europe as a developed and democratic continent, a perception that seemingly justifies the European Union's approach as a way to protect their welfare states, despite evidence suggesting that it does not significantly impact their intent to migrate. Conversely, colonial grievances persist prominently among prospective migrants, as does their insistence on the fundamental right to freedom of movement. This study unveils the multifaceted and interconnected factors that underlie the motivations of prospective migrants to pursue migration, even in the face of the increasingly restrictive measures adopted by the European Union.

Studies abroad

2021: Erasmus + Program

Université Paul Valéry

City: Montpellier, France

Work Experience

Consulting Intern (2023)

Lattanzio KIBS

City: Milan, Italy

Research and Administrative Assistant (2023)

Brussels Interdisciplinary Research Centre on Migration and Minorities

City: Brussels, Belgium

Main duties: qualitative and quantitative research, administrative assistance with the organisation of PhD schools and public conferences

Community Centre Coordinator (2022)

Northern Lights Aid

City: Kavala, Greece

Main duties: coordination and facilitation of community centre activities, management of a group of volunteers

City Councillor (2021-2022)

Municipality of Vigevano

City: Vigevano (Italy)

Main duties: delegated to the commissions of environment, youth policies, tourism, security, and municipal police

Language Skills

Italian (Native), English (C2), French (B2)

IT Skills

Microsoft Office (excellent), R (excellent), Stata (excellent), NVIVO (excellent), Atlas.ti (excellent), Endnote (excellent), GeoDa (good)

Other Activities

Sociology of Migration Summer School (2023)

Centro Studi Medi

City: Genova, Italy

International Volunteer (2020)

Northern Lights Aid

Bocconi

City: Kavala, Greece

International Volunteer (2020)

Refugee4Refugees

City: Samos, Greece

Founder and volunteer (2018 – 2021)

Fridays for Future Vigevano

City: Vigevano, Italy

