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Curriculum Vitae

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

2026-Present	Full Professor of Economic Policy Bocconi University Department of Social and Political Sciences
2019-2025	Associate Professor of Economic Policy Bocconi University Department of Social and Political Sciences
2025-Present	Director of the GREEN Research Centre of Bocconi University
2022-Present	Senior Researcher of FEEM - ENI Enrico Mattei Foundation, within the research program “Labor in the Low-Carbon Transition - LILT”
2020-Present	Research Fellow of CESifo
2015-Present	Research Fellow of the Bocconi BAFFI Research Centre
2019-2024	Director of the Bachelor in International Politics and Government (BIG) at Bocconi University
2023-2024	Developer and Director of the Bocconi-HEC Double Degree in International Politics and Government – Data Society and Organisations

2014-2018	Assistant Professor of Economic Policy Bocconi University Department of Social and Political Sciences
2008-2014	Assistant Professor at Erasmus University Rotterdam

Visiting:

2020 (Fall)	Center for Economic Studies (CES) – LMU Munich
2018 (Spring)	Harvard University, Economics Department
2014 (Fall)	CEMFI - Madrid
2012 (Fall)	Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
2010 (July)	Institut d'Anàlisi Econòmica (CSIC) – Barcelona

EDUCATION:

2008	**Ph.D. in Economics** Catholic University of Leuven (KUL), Belgium Faculty of Business and Economics
2007 (Fall)	**Penn State University** Visiting Ph.D. Student
2004	**Master in Economics** Bocconi University, Milan, Italy Awarded with Distinction
2003	**BA in Economics, Statistics and Social Sciences** Bocconi University, Milan, Italy Grade: 110/110 magna cum laude
2002 (Spring)	**University of California, San Diego (UCSD)** Exchange Student

TEACHING:

Since 2022	**"Economics and Politics of the European Union"** Bocconi University, bachelor

Since 2014	**"European Economic Policy"** Bocconi University, bachelor
Since 2014	**"Economics of European Integration"** Bocconi University, master
Since 2015	**"Politics and Economics of the European Union"** Bocconi University, Ph.D. in Social and Political Sciences
Since 2015	**"Economics for Business"** SDA Bocconi Asia Center, Mumbai, Post Graduate Program in Business
2015-2017	**"Macroeconomics"** Bocconi University, bachelor

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS:

"Political Conflict in Advanced Democracies in the 21st Century: Backlash and Realignment" (joint with Piero Stanig). Book forthcoming, published by *Oxford University Press*. Accepted for publication.

"Robots and Trade Unions: Granular Data and Evidence from Western Europe" (joint with Paolo Agnolin, Massimo Anelli and Piero Stanig). *American Political Science Review*, conditionally accepted.

"Green Backlash and Right-Wing Populism" (joint with Valentina Bosetti, Catherine de Vries and Giorgio Musto). *Nature Climate Change*, 2025, 15 (8): 822-828.

"De-Globalization and Fragmentation". *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Economics and Finance*, 2025.

"In Search of the Causes of the Globalization Backlash: Methodological Considerations on Post-treatment Bias" (joint with Paolo Agnolin and Piero Stanig). *Comparative Political Studies*, 2025, 58 (8): 1603-1635.

"The Political Consequences of Green Policies: Evidence from Italy" (joint with Livio Di Lonardo, Yotam Margalit and Marco Percoco). *American Political Science Review*, 2024, 118 (1): 108-126.

"Exposure to International Trade Lowers Green Voting and Worsens Environmental Attitudes" (joint with Charlotte Bez, Valentina Bosetti and Maurizio Zanardi). *Nature Climate Change*, 2023, 13: 1131-1135.

"Backlash of Globalization" (joint with Gianmarco Ottaviano and Piero Stanig). Chapter in vol.5 of the *Handbook of International Economics*, 2022.

"Individual Vulnerability to Industrial Robot Adoption Increases Support for the Radical Right" (joint with Massimo Anelli and Piero Stanig) *PNAS - Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States*, 2021, 118 (47).

"Globalization and Mental Distress" (joint with Rosario Crinò and Laura Ogliari), *Journal of International Economics*, 2019 – 119: 181-207.

"The Surge of Economic Nationalism in Western Europe" (joint with Piero Stanig), *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 2019 – 33 (4): 128-151.

"Global Competition and Brexit" (joint with Piero Stanig) *American Political Science Review*, 2018 - 112 (2): 201-218.

"The Trade Origins of Economic Nationalism: Import Competition and Voting Behavior in Western Europe" (joint with Piero Stanig) *American Journal of Political Science*, 2018 – 62 (4): 936-953.

OTHER JOURNAL ARTICLES:

"Global Value Chains and the Design of Trade Agreements" (joint with Arianna Bondi, Leonardo Baccini, Matteo Fiorini, Bernard Hoekman, Carlo Altomonte). *Review of International Organizations*, 2026, 21: 203-235.

"A Popular Backlash Against Globalization?" (joint with Gianmarco Ottaviano and Piero Stanig). *Critical Sociology*, 2025, 51 (4-5): 721-742.

"The Social Footprint of Globalization: Towards the Introduction of Strategic Industries in Quantitative Trade Models" (joint with Gianmarco Ottaviano and Piero Stanig). *Spatial Economic Analysis*, 2023, 19 (3): 345-363.

"New Imported Inputs, Wages and Worker Mobility" (joint with Alessia Matano and Paolo Naticchioni). *Industrial and Corporate Change*, 2020 – 29 (2): 423-457.

"Heterogeneous Firms and Asymmetric Product Differentiation" (joint with Carlo Altomonte and Enrico Pennings) *Journal of Industrial Economics*, 2016 – 64 (4): 835-874.

"Low-Cost Import Competition and Firm Exit: Evidence from the EU" (joint with Kristien Coucke and Leo Sleuwaegen) *Industrial and Corporate Change*, 2015 – 24 (1): 131-161.

"New Imported Inputs, New Domestic Products" (joint with Rosario Crino') *Journal of International Economics*, 2014 – 92 (1): 147-165.

"Trade Openness, Real Exchange Rates and Job Reallocation: Evidence from Belgium" *Review of World Economics*/*Weltwirtschaftliches Archiv*, 2012 – 148 (4): 669-706.

"International Trade, Exit and Entry: A Cross-Country and Industry Analysis" (joint with Leo Sleuwaegen) *Journal of International Business Studies*, 2010 – 41 (7): 1240-1257.

"Firm Heterogeneity and Endogenous Regional Disparities" (joint with Carlo Altomonte) *Journal of Economic Geography*, 2008 – 8 (6): 779-810.

CURRENT WORK IN PROGRESS:

"Green Collars at the Voting Booth: Material Interest and Environmental Voting" (joint with Enrico Cavallotti, Piero Stanig and Francesco Vona).

"What If You See It? Generative AI Exposure and Workers' Divergent Policy Preferences" (joint with Massimo Anelli, Aina Gallego and Piero Stanig).

"Trade and Intergenerational Income Mobility: Theory and Evidence from the US" (joint with Gianmarco Ottaviano and Kohei Takeda).

"Regional and Aggregate Economic Consequences of Environmental Policy" (joint with Gianmarco Ottaviano and Tom Schmitz).

"Green Industrialization and Local Job Multipliers" (joint with Filippo Bontadini, Federico Frattini and Francesco Vona).

"Populism and Geographical Sorting" (joint with Massimo Anelli, Massimo Morelli, Alessio Romarri, and Piero Stanig).

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS:

Colantone, I., (2025) "Comment on Robotization and the Political Response of Politicians", in Ajay Agrawal, Joshua Gans, Avi Goldfarb, Catherine Tucker (Eds.), *The Political Economy of Artificial Intelligence*, NBER, University of Chicago Press.

Leonardo Baccini, Matteo Fiorini, Bernard Hoekman, Carlo Altomonte, and Italo Colantone, (2021) "Global Value Chains and Deep Integration," in Ana Fernandes, Nadia Rocha, Michele Ruta (Eds.), *The Economics of Deep Trade Agreements*, CEPR Press.

Altomonte, C., Colantone, I., Zaurino, E., (2016) "Global Value Chains and GDP Growth in the Post-Crisis Context", in Altomonte, C. and G. Bekes (Eds.), *Measuring Competitiveness in Europe: resource allocation, granularity and trade*, Bruegel Blueprint Series.

Altomonte, C., Colantone, I., Rungi, A., and Sonno, T. (2015) "Global Value Networks", in Amador, J. and F. di Mauro (eds.), *The Age of Global Value Chains: Maps and Policy Issues*, VoxEU eBook, Centre for Economic Policy Research.

Altomonte, C. and Colantone, I. (2006) "Economic instruments and governance levels within the Lisbon Strategy" (in Italian), in Passarelli, F. (ed), *Unione Europea: Governance e Regolamentazione*, Il Mulino, Bologna.

POLICY ORIENTED REPORTS AND MEDIA ARTICLES:

Colantone, I., Ottaviano, G., and Stanig, P. (2025) "The globalization backlash does not resonate only in Washington" (in Italian), LaVoce.info

Agnolin, P., Anelli, M., Colantone, I., and Stanig, P. (2024) "The crisis of unions in a changing economy" (in Italian), ECO, April 2024.

Agnolin, P., Colantone, I., and Stanig, P. (2022) "Economy and/or culture? In search of the causes of the globalization backlash, between methods and evidence" Niehaus Center, Globalization Backlash Conference Report.

Colantone, I., Ottaviano, G., and Stanig, P. (2021) "The rise of populism in advanced economies: blame it on globalisation?" LSE Blog.

Colantone, I., Ottaviano, G., and Stanig, P. (2021) "The Globalization Backlash" VoxEU.

Colantone, I., and Stanig, P. (2019) "The Roots of Populism" (in Italian), Economia e Management, 2019 – 1: 25-28.

Colantone, I., and Stanig, P. (2019) "Right-Wing Populism and the Losers of Globalization and Technological Progress" (in Italian), Menabò Etica ed Economia.

Colantone, I., and Stanig, P. (2019) "Heterogeneous Drivers of Heterogeneous Populism", VoxEU.

Altomonte, C., Bonacorsi, L., and Colantone, I. (2019) "Trade and Growth in the Age of Global Value Chains", VoxEU.

Anelli, M., Stanig, P., and Colantone, I. (2018) "Italy Just Voted for Two Very Different Kinds of Populism", The Washington Post.

Colantone, I. (2018) “Globalization and Skills in the Italian Labor Market”, Policy Brief prepared for the research project “New Skills at Work”, financed by the JP Morgan Foundation.

Colantone, I., and Stanig, P. (2017) “Globalisation and Economic Nationalism”, VoxEU.

Altomonte, C., and Colantone, I. (2017) “Why Trump is Wrong on Mexico” (in Italian), LaVoce.info

Altomonte, C., and Colantone, I. (2017) “But on Germany The Donald is Perhaps Right” (in Italian), LaVoce.info

Colantone, I. and Stanig, P. (2016) “The Real Reason the U.K. Voted for Brexit? Jobs Lost to Chinese Competition”, The Washington Post.

Colantone, I., and Stanig, P. (2016) “Globalisation and Brexit”, VoxEU.

Colantone, I., Crinò, R. and Ogliari, L. (2015) “Import Competition and Mental Distress: The Hidden Cost of Globalisation”, VoxEU.

Altomonte, C., Colantone, I., and Zaurino, E. (2015) “Has Globalization Peaked? Trade and GDP Growth in the Post-Crisis Context”, Bruegel Blog Post.

Colantone, I. and Sleuwaegen, L. (2007) “Globalization and Entrepreneurship: What do we know?” Flanders DC Report Series.

Altomonte, C. and Colantone, I. (2005) “The European Union as a global player: constraints and development opportunities” (in Italian), Quaderni di Thesmos, n.8, Rubbettino

GRANTS:

2023-2026	**CIVICA Project** The European University of Social Sciences **Coordinator** of undergraduate activities at Bocconi University
2024-2026	**CIVICA Research Grant – PI** “Brown to Green: The Political Economy of Risks, Voting, and Compensation Policies”
2024-2025	**Bocconi Senior Research Grant – PI** “What If You See It? Workers’ Perceptions of and Reactions to LLMs”

2021-2025	**Bocconi Lab for European Studies – BLEST** **Leader** of research stream "Europe and the World" (EATW)
2023-2026	**MIUR-PNRR Partnership** Participation in the project "Ageing Well in an Ageing Society" (Age-it)
2023-2025	**PRIN Research Grant** Participation in the project "The Political Economy of Reforms and the Costs of Populism" (PERCOP)
2020-2024	**Cariplo Foundation** Participation in the project "Automation, Unions and Collective Bargaining: The Jammed Transmission" Joint with Massimo Anelli and Piero Stanig
2018-2021	**European Commission, DG Research** Participation in the project MICROPROD: "Raising EU Productivity: Lessons from Improved Micro Data", Horizon 2020.
2016-2018	**JP Morgan Foundation Grant** "New Skills at Work" research project **PI** for the section "Globalization and Skills" at Bocconi University
2014-2015	**European Commission, DG Research** Participation in the project MAPCOMPETE: "Mapping European Competitiveness", 7th Research Framework Program
2011-2012	**European Commission, DG Research** Participation in the project EFIGE: "European Firms in a Global Economy: internal policies for external competitiveness", 7th Research Framework Program
2008	**OECD** External consultant for the Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship, on the project "Globalization and Entrepreneurship"
2007	**Vlerick Leuven Gent Management School** Research on "Globalization and Entrepreneurship" within the Strategy Research Group
2005	**European Commission, DG Research** Participation in the project EURECO: "The impact of European

integration and enlargement on regional structural change and cohesion", 5th Research Framework Program

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS:

2026 DemoTrans Workshop, Catholic University of Leuven (KUL), **Keynote**
2025 Politics of Inequality Workshop, University of Konstanz
2024 Navigating the New Frontier: The Political and Economic Implications of AI – Caltech
2024 SEEDS Economics Conference, Milan, **Keynote**
2024 The Political Economy of Climate Change – Niehaus Center Princeton
2024 Center for Inclusive Trade Policy Conference, Nottingham, **Keynote**
2024 Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference, Chicago
2023 Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR), Prague, **Keynote**
2023 German Institute for Development and Sustainability, Bonn – **Invited Lecture**
2023 Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change (MCC) Berlin – **Invited Lecture**
2023 European Investment Bank, ENRI Conference – **Invited Lecture**
2023 24th ETSG - Surrey
2023 28th Annual Conference of the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists - Limassol
2022 The Economics of a Just and Equitable Climate Transition – RFF-CMCC Rimini
2022 The Backlash Against Globalization: What's Next? – Niehaus Center Princeton
2021 International Economic Association (IEA) World Conference, Bali
2020 Center for European Studies (CefES) Workshop
2019 First PII Scientific Workshop at LSE
2019 21th ETSG - Bern
2019 SciencesPo Labour Economics Workshop
2018 Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference, Chicago
2017 19th ETSG - Florence
2017 Academy of International Business Conference (UK&I) - Reading, **Keynote**
2017 Living Without Globalization (RBBC) - Hamburg
2017 Workshop on Stress and Social Economic Decision-Making - London
2017 Conference on Great slumps, policy responses and populism - Halle
2017 CEPR Workshop on Global Value Chains - Singapore
2017 Royal Economic Society Conference - Bristol
2016 18th ETSG - Helsinki, **Keynote**
2016 Oxford Workshop on Trade and Health - Oxford
2016 Midwest International Trade Meeting - Spring, Rochester
2016 Royal Economic Society Conference - Brighton
2015 International Health Economics Conference – iHEA, Milan
2014 16th ETSG, Munich
2012 14th ETSG, Leuven
2012 27th EEA, Malaga
2012 Midwest International Trade Meeting - Spring, Bloomington

2011 52nd Annual Meeting of the Italian Economic Association, Rome
2011 Zvi Griliches Summer Research Seminar, Barcelona
2011 13th ETSG, Copenhagen
2011 8th LETC, Ljubljana
2010 12th ETSG, Lausanne
2009 11th ETSG, Rome
2009 51st AIB, San Diego
2008 50th AIB, Milan
2008 35th EARIE, Toulouse
2008 10th ETSG, Warsaw
2006 8th ETSG, Vienna
2005 7th ETSG, Dublin
2005 32nd EARIE, Porto

Seminar presentations: Harvard University, London School of Economics, Queen Mary University, King's College London, Penn State University, Copenhagen Business School, Bank of Italy, Roma Tre University, ULB, Carlos III de Madrid, KU Leuven, Bocconi University, Lancaster University, UCL, Milan Politecnico, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Max Planck Institute of Economics (Jena, Germany), LUISS University, Polytechnic University of Marche, Catholic University of Milan, University of Pavia, University of Barcelona, Stockholm School of Economics, LMU Munich, University of Halle, University of Namur, University of Verona, Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies, Bologna University.

Refereeing: American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Journal of Politics, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, American Economic Review, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of the European Economic Association, American Economic Review Insights, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Economic Literature, Economic Journal, World Politics, Economic Policy, European Economic Review, Canadian Journal of Economics, Economica, Journal of Business Venturing, Economics Letters, Journal of Comparative Economics, Industrial and Corporate Change, Review of International Economics, Small Business Economics, Structural Change and Economic Dynamics, Review of World Economics, Social Science Journal, Emerging Markets Finance and Trade, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, European Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Wine Economics, Journal of International Economics.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES:

2003 **McKinsey & Co.** (Milan Office)
Business Analyst, Internship Program

LANGUAGES:

Italian (mother tongue), English (fluent), French (conversational), Spanish (basic)

HONORS, SCOLARSHIPS:

2019, 2022, 2023, 2024	**Bocconi Research Excellence Award**
2018	**Bocconi Teaching Award**
2017	**Bocconi Award for Innovative Teaching**
2009	Top Lecturer of the Erasmus School of Economics
2005-2008	KU Leuven Doctoral Scolarship
2004-2005	Scolarship for Graduate Studies Abroad, Ente per gli Studi Economici e Finanziari "Luigi Einaudi", Rome
2003-2004	Fondazione Invernizzi Scolarship, Milan
2002	JP Morgan award for "Best Exchange Students of the Year"
1999-2003	ISU Bocconi Scolarship for undergraduate students