Costanza Usai







EDUCATION AND TRAINING

01/11/2020 – CURRENT Siena, Italy **PHD CANDIDATE IN ECONOMICS - XXXVI CYCLE** Tuscan Universities - Universities of Siena, Florence and Pisa

Supervisor: Prof. Leonardo Boncinelli

01/07/2023 – 01/11/2023 Amsterdam , Netherlands VISITING PHD STUDENT Universiteit van Amsterdam

Supervisor: Prof. Bram Lancee

27/06/2022 – 01/07/2022 Barcelona, Spain **SUMMER SCHOOL IN "EXPERIMENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL ECONOMICS"** Universidad de Barcelona

01/03/2022 – 01/08/2022 Castelló, Valencia , Spain VISITING PHD STUDENT Universitat Jaume I

Supervisor: Prof. Jaume Garcia-Segarra

2017 – 2020 Florence, Italy M.SC. IN ECONOMICS University of Florence

Final grade106/110

Thesis"Emotions and Prosocial Behaviors", supervised by Prof. Leonardo Boncinelli (University of Florence) and Prof. Ennio Bilancini (IMT School for Advanced Studies Lucca)

09/2015 – 01/2016 London, United Kingdom **ERASMUS+** University College of London

03/2014 – 04/2014 Tokyo, Japan JASSO SCOLARSHIP Waseda University

2012 – 2016 Siena, Italy B.SC. IN LINGUISTIC AND CULTURAL MEDIATION University of Siena

2006 – 2012 Florence, Italy HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA - CLASSICAL STUDIES Liceo Classico Michelangiolo

WORK EXPERIENCE

27/10/2022 – 27/01/2023 Firenze INTERNSHIP AT AVIS COMUNALE FIRENZE

- Access to database Dat@vis and extraction of data needed;
- Analysis of the longitudinal dataset;
- Collaboration and exchange with the medical stuff, in order to set a future field experiment (ongoing).

04/2015 – 09/2015 Firenze

INTERNSHIP AT LUXEMBOURG CONSULATE

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): ITALIANO

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken	Spoken	
ENGLISH C2		C2	C1	C1	C1
SPANISH B1		B1	A2	A2	A2
FRENCH A2		A2	A1	A1	A1
JAPANESE A1		A1	A1	A1	A1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

DIGITAL SKILLS

Qualtrics Survey Software | Prolific | Stata Application | Gretl Econometrics Software | EVIEWS | Python Language - Basic knowledge | GIS software: Expert QGIS and good control of ArcGIS | Overleaf & LaTeX | Microsoft Office package: Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

25/01/2024 – Florence Upcoming participation in YETI Meeting

02/10/2023 – University of Amsterdam Institutions, Inequalities, and Life courses (IIL) Seminar

13/06/2023 – Certosa di Pontignano, Siena Faculty annual meeting 2023

10/06/2022 – Certosa di Pontignano, Siena Faculty annual meeting 2022

22/09/2021 – Certosa di Pontignano, Siena Faculty annual meeting 2021 Poster session.

28/06/2021 - 01/07/2021 - University of Florence

Summer Courses - Organizing Committee

- Wellbeing entrepreneurship development in tourism, held by Lali Lindell, Linnaeus University
- Sustainability perspectives for assessing and designing research, projects and policies: a focus on AI, energy and climate action, held by Prof. Francesco Fuso-Nerini KTH, Royal Institute of Technology.

PROJECTS

Optimal Information in Charity Donations The main objective of my research is to observe how different types of information (self-impact info, output-impact info) and different types of donors (warm-glow altruists, pure altruists) impact the endowment allocation choice in a Dictator Game with a Non Profit Organization (NPO) as recipient.

Methodology: Online experiment programmed in Qualtrics and administered on Prolific platform.

Collaborator: L. Boncinelli

The effect of xenophobic politics on locals' and immigrants' prosocial behavior *Recently there has been an upsurge in populist politics, often characterized by an accentuated anti-immigrant stance. We argue that aggregators of private opinions in a society, such as elections, might lead to updates in individuals' perceptions with respect to immigration issue. As a result, these updates in beliefs could potentially reverberate on people's prosocial behaviors. We use data from the Associazione Volontari Italiani del Sangue (AVIS) to estimate the causal effect of anti-immigration politics on blood donors' demeanor. Exploiting the municipal election timing, we aim at proving that where elections occur and the anti-immigration parties are highly supported, both local residents and immigrants exhibit a decrease in civic engagement, measured by blood donations. This study adds up to evidence of negative spillovers from politics to prosocial behaviors.*

Methodology: (staggered) Differences in Difference design.

Collaborators: L. Boncinelli, D. Menicagli, T. Razzolini, F. Serti.

Proximity matters: exploring the influence of distance on gender differences in blood donation dropouts. In this project we aim at studying factors influencing the gender gap observed in the blood donation context. In particular, we want to observe if there is a different probability of dropping out from blood donation activity for men and women, taking into consideration the distribution of donors on the territory and the distances from their addresses and the nearest blood donation centers.

Methodology:

- Geocoding and Distance matrix with QGIS Software;
- •Logistic regression for the probability of dropping out.

Collaborators: V. Ciriotto, L. Boncinelli D. Menicagli, T. Razzolini, F. Serti.

ALIA Servizi Ambientali Spa Projects Collaboration with ALIA Servizi Ambientali Spa. Ongoing projects:

- 1. Survey analysis on social norms concerning recycling habits;
- 2. Policy evaluation on the introduction of digital dumpsters (with electronic key) in Florence.
- 3. Field experimental on administer malus/bonus fares for TARI consumers, exploiting individual data on the quality of recycling.

Collaborators: A. Piazzoli, L. Boncinelli

NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

23/03/2022 - CURRENT IMT School for Advanced Studies of Lucca

GAME Science Research Center - Ordinary member The GAME.SCI RE.CENTER aims to promote, support, and disseminate research in the field of gaming as a valuable tool for increasing motivation, prevention and health support, scientific data collection, scientific popularization, cultural and social change, and even artistic exploration.

Link https://gamescience.imtlucca.it/people

REPORTS

02/08/2022

"La crescita economica e la diffusione globale del mercato del gioco" in New Frontiers in Gaming

Report sponsored by the Neuroscience Lab of Intesa Sanpaolo Innovation Center.

Link <u>https://www.intesasanpaoloinnovationcenter.com/it/news-ed-eventi/news/2022/08/New-frontiers-in-gaming-il-nuovo-report-sul-mondo-del-gaming/</u>

SCIENTIFIC REVIEWS

01/2024 Reviewer for European Association of Young Economists Annual Meeting 2024

THIRD MISSION ACTIVITIES

11/05/2023

EUniWell Event - First Lab, University of Florence

Coverage of environmental sustainability and urbanization issues through the use of play as a learning tool.

28/10/2022 – 01/11/2022 Game Science Research Center - Lucca Comics & Games 2022

Raising awareness, through the use of games, to issues such as environmental sustainability, social inclusion and health prevention and support.

30/07/2022

Game Science Research Center - Festa dell'Unicorno, Vinci

Demonstration of Capitan AVIS board game, which aims at raising awareness about the functioning and the importance of blood donation activity in Italy.

25/02/2022 Game demonstration at Liceo Agnoletti, Sesto F.no, Firenze

Game demonstration on sustainability issues with high school classes.

VOLUNTEERING

2020 – CURRENT AVIS Comunale Firenze Blood donor

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Art I am very passionate about contemporary art. I also worked in the organizing commette of a temporary exhibition, "Storie di bambini", at the Museo degli Innocenti in Florence.

Travelling / really like to travel and discover new cultures.

DECLARATION

DICHIARAZIONE SOSTITUTIVA DI CERTIFICAZIONE (art. 46 e 47 D.P.R. 445/2000)

La sottoscritta Costanza Usai, ai sensi e per gli effetti degli articoli 46 e 47 e consapevole delle sanzioni penali previste dall'articolo 76 del D.P.R. 28 dicembre 2000, n. 445 nelle ipotesi di falsità in atti e dichiarazioni mendaci, dichiara che le informazioni riportate nel presente curriculum vitae, redatto in formato europeo, corrispondono a verità.

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