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EDUCATION

2006 Ph.D., Political Science – Comparative Analysis of Democracies, University of Pavia,
2002 M.Sc., Organization and Economic Development, University of Bologna,
1997 B.A., East Asian Languages, *magna cum laude*, University of Naples.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

March 2015-
Present Member of the Ph.D. Scientific Board in “Global and International Studies,”
Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna.

November 2015-
Present The University of Bologna Delegate for Asia and Oceania.

November 2015-
Present Member of the Commission for the Evaluation of International Mobility Projects.

October 2014-
Present Associate Professor of Asian History and Institutions, Department of Political and
Social Sciences, University of Bologna, Forlì branch.

2014 Visiting researcher, Field Research Fellowship, The Korea Foundation, Seoul,
Republic of Korea, in residence February-June.

2011 Visiting fellow, Kyujanggak Institute for Korean Studies, Seoul National
University, Republic of Korea, in residence March-September.

2010-2012 Director of the Summer School Program in “European Politics and Culture”
organized in cooperation with the Fondazione Alma Mater (Bologna) and the
United International College (Zhuhai, PRC).

2008-2013 The Korea Foundation Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Political and
Social Studies, University of Bologna.

2008 POSCO Visiting fellow, East-West Center, Honolulu, USA, in residence May-
July.

2006-2008 Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Department of Politics, Institutions, History,
University of Bologna.

2006 Visiting fellow, United International College, Zhuhai, PRC, in residence
September-December.

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

- 2016 *Il nido del falco? Mondo e Potere in Corea del Nord* (The Hawk's Nest. World and Power in North Korea), Firenze: Le Monnier.
- 2014 *The Chinese Challenge to the Western Order* (edited with Matteo Dian), Trento: FBK Press.
- 2013 *Crisi, trasformazioni, continuità. Il sistema internazionale negli anni Settanta* (edited with M. Del Pero, E. Baroncelli, A. Pallotti), Soveria Mannelli: Rubbettino.
- 2010 *L'Asia Orientale. Dal 1945 ai giorni nostri* (East Asia. From 1945 to Present Days), Bologna: Il Mulino.

Articles:

- 2016 Piccoli leader crescono (The Young Leader's Growing), *Limes. Rivista Italiana di Geopolitica*, 12, *forthcoming*.
- 2016 La corsa cinese alle risorse naturali africane (China's Hunger for African Natural Resources), *Mondo Cinese*, 158, pp. 88-101.
- 2016 Playing Hide-and-Seek: Park Geun-hye's Trustpolitik in Distress, *Hangukbak Charyo*, 2 (with Marco Milani), *forthcoming*.
- 2015 Seventy Years After World War II: Comparing Europe and Northeast Asia's Security Architectures (with Andrea Passeri), *The Korean Journal of Defense Analysis*, 27(2): 233-245 (SSCI).
- 2015 Il riassetto dell'Asia Centrale ed il ruolo della Corea del Sud (The remaking of Central Asia and the role of the Republic of Korea) (with Andrea Passeri), *Il Politico*, 236: 148-163.
- 2015 Hedging in Search of a New Age of Non-Alignment: Myanmar Between China and the U.S. (with Andrea Passeri), *The Pacific Review*, 28(5): 679-702 (SSCI).
- 2014 Jasmine Does Not Bloom in Pyongyang: the Persistent Non-transition in North Korea (with Sunhyuk Kim), *Pacific Focus*, 29(1): 44-67 (SSCI).
- 2014 Manifestations Antiaméricaines en Corée du Sud dans les Années 2000 : une Forme de Nationalisme Revendiqué, *Outre-Terre*, 39: 162-178.
- 2014 Taiwan e Corea. Clientele d'Oriente, *Mondoperaio*, 2: 61-69.
- 2013 La nuova diplomazia triangolare birmana fra Washington e Pechino (The New Triangular Burmese Diplomacy Between Washington and Beijing), *Geopolitica*, 11(2/3): 103-117.
- 2011 The Dynamics of Welfare Policy-Making in South Korea: Social Movements as Policy Entrepreneurs (with Sunhyuk Kim), *Asian Social Work and Policy Review*, 5: 61-78.
- 2010 Civil Society After Democracy: the Evolution of Civic Activism in South Africa and Korea (with Lorenzo Fioramonti), *Journal of Civil Society*, 6(1): 23-38.
- 2010 The Changing Roles of Civil Society in Democratization: Evidence From South Africa (1990-2009) and South Korea (1987-2009) (with Lorenzo Fioramonti), *African e Asian Studies*, 9(1-2): 83-104. (SSCI)
- 2010 Civil Society as Policy Entrepreneur: the Enactment of NBLS Act in Korea, *Korean Studies Forum*, 4: 109-135.
- 2009 Rischio Corea (The Korean Hazard), *Il Mulino*, 4: 601-609.
- 2008 Società civile e democrazia in Corea: una valutazione dell'esperienza del CAGE (Civil Society and Democracy in Korea: an Assessment of the CAGE), *Quaderni Asiatici*, 82: 41-56.
- 2006 From *Developmentalism* to *Productivism*: the Pathway of Korean Welfare State Development (with C. Aspalter), *Journal of Societal and Social Policy*, 5(2): 21-40.
- 2005 Development, Democracy and the Politics of Health Care Policy in Korea, *Asian Journal of Social Policy*, 1(1): 43-64.

Book Chapters:

- 2016 L'evoluzione dei rapporti tra Cina e Corea del Nord nell'era di Xi Jinping (The Development of China-North Korea Relations Under Xi Jinping). In *CinaReport*, M. Miranda, ed., Roma: Carocci, *forthcoming*.
- 2015 L'ascesa del Giappone tra il XIX e XX secolo e la prima Guerra mondiale. In *I cinque anni che sconvolsero il mondo. La prima Guerra mondiale (1914-1918)*, P. Pombeni, ed., Roma: Edizioni Studium, pp. 108-118.
- 2014 The New Center of Power: Political and Strategic Trends in Asia Pacific. In *Flexible Frameworks: Beyond Borders*, F. Casprini, S. Lucarelli, A. Marrone, eds., Brussels: NATO HQ, pp. 30-40.
- 2014 Introduction - The China Challenge: Opportunity or Threat? (with Matteo Dian). In *The Chinese Challenge to the Western Order*, A. Fiori and M. Dian, eds, Trento: FBK Press, pp. 11-21.
- 2014 A Thirsty Dragon: China's Oil Diplomacy. In *The Chinese Challenge to the Western Order*, A. Fiori and M. Dian, eds, pp. Trento: FBK Press, pp. 73-102.
- 2014 Where Giants Meet: the Sino-American Soft-Competition in Southeast Asia. The Cases of Vietnam and Myanmar (with Andrea Passeri). In *The Chinese Challenge to the Western Order*, A. Fiori and M. Dian, eds, pp. Trento: FBK Press, pp. 105-121.
- 2014 The Potential of Civil Society in Regional Governance in East Asia (with Sunhyuk Kim). In *Civil Society and World Regions*, L. Fioramonti, ed., pp. 77-90, Lanham: Lexington Books.
- 2012 L'emergere dell'Asia nella storiografia contemporanea (The Rise of Asia in Contemporary Historiography). In *Introduzione alla Storia Contemporanea* (Introduction to Contemporary History), S. Cavazza e P. Pombeni, eds., pp. 215-234, Bologna: Il Mulino.
- 2012 1949. La Rivoluzione Cinese (1949. Chinese Revolution). In *Introduzione alla Storia Contemporanea* (Introduction to Contemporary History), S. Cavazza e P. Pombeni, eds., pp. 333-339, Bologna: Il Mulino.
- 2012 1950. La Guerra di Corea (1950. The Korean War). In *Introduzione alla Storia Contemporanea* (Introduction to Contemporary History), S. Cavazza e P. Pombeni, eds., pp. 341-347, Bologna: Il Mulino.
- 2011 La Cina in Africa: un primo bilancio (China in Africa: a Close Examination). In *La base del triangolo. L'Asia e i rapporti Sud-Sud nel mondo globale* (Asia and South-South Relations in the Global World), G. Calchi Novati, ed., pp. 87-107. Roma: Carocci.
- 2011 Il problema AIDS in Indonesia (HIV in Indonesia). *Atlante di Geopolitica* (Geopolitical Atlas), Istituto dell'Enciclopedia Italiana, p. 595.
- 2011 I costi della riunificazione (Reunification Costs in Korea). *Atlante di Geopolitica* (Geopolitical Atlas), Istituto dell'Enciclopedia Italiana, p. 455.
- 2011 Lo sviluppo del programma nucleare nordcoreano (The Development of North Korean Nuclear Program). *Atlante di Geopolitica* (Geopolitical Atlas), Istituto dell'Enciclopedia Italiana, p. 463.
- 2011 Le ONG sudcoreane in Corea del Nord alla metà degli anni '90 (South Korean NGOs in North Korea in mid-1990s). In *La Società Civile in Asia: ricostruzione, pacificazione e aperture democratiche* (Civil Society in Asia: Reconstruction, Pacification and Democratic Openings), E. Giunchi, ed., pp. 227-248. Milano: ObarraO edizioni.
- 2010 Donne e democrazia: il dilemma coreano (Women and Democracy: the Korean Dilemma). In *Essere Donna in Asia: diritti, potere, impresa* (Being Women in Asia: Rights, Power, Business), G. Calchi Novati, ed., pp. 101-116. Roma: Carocci.
- 2010 The Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the United States: Problems of a Troubled Relationship (with Andrea Bizzarri). In *Mélanges Offerts à Marc Orange et Alexandre Guillemoz*, Cahiers de l'IEC, Collège de France, pp. 153-162.
- 2009 La società civile, protagonista in Corea del Sud (Civil Society, Protagonist in South Korea). *Asia, Una Transizione Sostenibile* (Asia, A Sustainable Transition), G. Calchi Novati, ed., pp. 135-148. Roma: Carocci.

Book Reviews:

- 2013 The Impossible State: North Korea, Past and Future, by V. Cha; North Korea: Beyond Charismatic Politics, by H. Kwon and B.H. Chung. *Journal of Asian Studies*, 73(1): 261-264.
- 2013 Marigold. The Lost Chance for Peace in Vietnam, by J.G. Hershberg. *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 3: 408-409.
- 2013 Eurasia. Storia di un Miracolo, by J. Goody. *Nuova Informazione Bibliografica*, 2: 452-455.
- 2012 The Cold War in Asia: the Battle for Hearts and Minds, by Y. Zheng, H. Liu, M. Szonyi (eds.). *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 3: 375-376.
- 2012 China's Rise and the Two Koreas: Politics, Economics, Security, by S. Snyder. *North Korean Review*, 8(12): 160-162.
- 2010 When Leaders Learn and When They Don't: Mikhail Gorbachev and Kim Il-Sung at the End of the Cold War, by A. Malici, *North Korean Review*, 6(1): 135-137.
- 2010 The Chinese Worker After Socialism, by W. Hurst, *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 1: 115-116.
- 2010 Democracy in Occupied Japan: The U.S. Occupation and Japanese Politics and Society, by M.E. Caprio and Y. Sugita, eds., *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 1: 115.
- 2009 Nation Building in South Korea: Koreans, Americans, and the Making of a Democracy, by G. Brazinsky, *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 2: 253-254.
- 2009 Selling the Korean War: Propaganda, Politics, and Public Opinion in the United States, 1950-53, by S. Casey, *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 2: 303-304.
- 2008 Storia della Corea. Dalle origini ai nostri giorni, by M. Riotto, *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 2: 204-205.
- 2008 Laogai. I gulag di Mao Tse Tung, by H. Wu, *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 2: 205-207.
- 2007 Mao: the Unknown Story, by J. Chang and J. Halliday, *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 3: 352-353.

Web-based Publications:

- February 2012: «New-look North Korea: all change and nothing changes», *Europressresearch sezione Dal Mondo*
(<http://www.euopressresearch.eu/html/commenti.php?id=14&lang=ENG&s=fiori>)
- December 2011: «Obama's USA in the Chinese "garden"?», *Europressresearch sezione Focus*
(<http://www.euopressresearch.eu/html/focus.php?lang=ENG&id=98&s=fiori>)
- November 2011: «Europe and China: between diffidence and opportunities. The Euro crisis as a turning point?», *Europressresearch Focus section*
(<http://www.euopressresearch.eu/html/focus.php?id=91>).
- July 2011: «And if the "Arab Spring" were to become Chinese?», *Europressresearch Focus section*
(<http://www.euopressresearch.eu/html/focus.php?id=79>).
- April 2011: «Snapshots of the Japanese Crisis», *Europressresearch Focus section*
(<http://www.euopressresearch.eu/html/focus.php?id=68>).

RESEARCH GROUP COORDINATION

- 2015-2018 Co-coordinator of the international project "China and Russia in the Global World", funded by the Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Forlì, € 220.000 (2015.02.01-2018.01.31).

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2013 Incubation of Korean Studies in Italy, Academy of Korean Studies, Member of the Research Unit, University of Rome “La Sapienza”, 3 years (2013.07.01-2016.06.30), € 49,000.
- 2012 Korean Studies Grant, Academy of Korean Studies, \$ 14,000 for “After Unification: Toward Reconciliation, Mutual Trust, and a Common Identity” research project.
- 2009 Korean Studies Grant, Academy of Korean Studies, \$ 10,000 for “Virtues and Vices of Civil Society: South Korea and South Africa in Comparison” research project.
- 2008 Travel Grant, Association for Korean Studies in Europe.
- 2006 Marco Polo scholarship for post-doctoral studies, University of Bologna, € 5,000.
- 2002 Scholarship for doctoral studies in political sciences, Bologna Chamber of Commerce, € 6,000.
- 2001 Korean Language Training Fellowship, The Korea Foundation.
- 2000 Translation Fellowship, Korean Culture and Arts Foundation.
- 1999 Korean Government Scholarship, National Institute for International Educational Development.
- 1997 Korean Language Training Fellowship, The Korea Foundation.

INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2014 The Development of Inter-Korean Relations and *Trustpolitik*, Seoul National University, Seoul, June 12.
- 2014 Park Geun Hye's *Trustpolitik* and Her Approach to the North Korean Issue, Academy of Korean Studies, Seoul, April 9.
- 2013 *Trustpolitik* and the Future of Inter-Korean Relations, Korea University, *Friedrich Ebert Stiftung* special lecture, Global Research Institute, Graduate School of International Studies, Seoul, July 18.
- 2013 Reignite Sunshine Policy: the Best Way to Improve Inter-Korean Relations?, University of Vienna, Vienna, May 31.
- 2013 Anti-Americanism in Korea in the 2000s, EPEL program Invited Speaker, Université Paris Diderot, Paris VII, Centre Chine-Corée-Japon, Paris, April 3.
- 2011 Immigration, Multiculturalism, and Welfare State in Korea, Kyujanggak Colloquium, Kyujanggak Institute of Korean Studies, Seoul, September 27.
- 2011 The Institutionalization of Environmental Social Movements in Korea, Green Politics: The Environment and Community, 21st Century Political Science Association, Gyeongsan National University, Jinju, Korea, August 18.
- 2011 Korean Civil Society: Past and Present, The Korea Foundation Summer Lecture Series, The Korea Foundation Cultural Center, Seoul, July 14.
- 2011 Korean Studies in Comparative Perspective: A European Point of View, The Korea Foundation Assembly, Seoul, July 7.
- 2010 The Changing Roles of Civil Society During Democratization: Evidence From South Africa and Korea (with Lorenzo Fioramonti), Pretoria University, Department of Political Sciences, Pretoria, January 29.
- 2009 Aging and Welfare in Korea and in Italy: A Comparative Perspective, Korea University, Department of Public Administration, ERGAPAH, August 19.
- 2008 Policy Entrepreneurs and Public Assistance; the NBLs Act in Korea, Yonsei University, Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS), Yonsei – The Korea Foundation Korean Studies Forum, Seoul, September 18.
- 2008 Policy Entrepreneurs and Public Assistance: the NBLs Act in Korea, East-West Center, Honolulu, USA, July 15.

- 2008 Social Movements in Korea: Past and Present, EPEL program Invited Speaker, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Centre Corée, Paris, March 21.

PRESENTATIONS (selection)

- 2013 Civil Society and Democracy in South Korea: A Reassessment (with Sunhyuk Kim), "Polarization in Divided Societies: Korea in a Global Context", Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, September 2-4.
- 2013 Hedging in Search of a New Age of Non-Alignment: Myanmar Between China and the U.S (with Andrea Passeri), 6th Conference of the Italian Standing Group on International Relations, Trento, Italy, June 20-22.
- 2011 The Jasmine Revolution and the Persistent Non-transition in North Korea (with Sunhyuk Kim), World Congress for Korean Politics and Society and the Annual Summer Meeting of the Korean Political Science Association (KPSA), Incheon, Korea, August 23-25.
- 2010 Civil Society After Democracy: the Evolution of Civil Society in South Africa and Korea, 5th World Congress of Korean Studies, Chinese Culture University, Taipei, October 25-28.
- 2009 The Dynamics of Welfare Policy-Making in South Korea: Social Movements as Policy Entrepreneurs (with Sunhyuk Kim), World Congress for Korean Politics and Society & The Annual Summer Meeting of the Korean Political Science Association (KPSA), Seoul, August 20-22.
- 2009 Civil Society and Government in Welfare Policymaking in Korea (with Sunhyuk Kim), World Civic Forum 2009, Building Our Humanitarian Planet, Seoul, May 5-8.
- 2008 The Impact of NGOs on the Enactment of the NBLS Act in Korea, Association for Asian Studies Biennial Conference, Atlanta, USA, April 3-6.
- 2007 Civil Society and Welfare State Development in Korea, World Congress for Korean Politics and Society & The Annual Summer Meeting of the Korean Political Science Association (KPSA), Busan, Korea, August 23-25.
- 2007 The Possibility of Welfare State in Korea. Out of the Crisis, Toward a Comprehensive Welfare State, 23rd edition of the AKSE (Association for Korean Studies in Europe), Dourdan, France, April 16-20.
- 2006 From Invisibility to Active Participation: The Role of Civil Society in Welfare State Development in Korea, 8th edition of the PACKS (Pacific and Asian Conference on Korean Studies), Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India, December 15-17.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate courses

- 2015-present Democrazie e autoritarismi in Asia (Democracies and Authoritarianisms in Asia), University of Bologna at Forlì.
- 2011-present International Relations of East Asia, University of Bologna at Forlì.
- 2014-present Politics of Contemporary Asia, University of Bologna.
- 2008-14 Sviluppo Politico e Sociale in Asia (Social and Political Development in Asia), Department of Politics, Institutions, History, University of Bologna.

Undergraduate courses

- 2008-14 Politiche e Istituzioni della Corea e dell'Asia (Politics and Institutions of Korea and Asia), Department of Politics, Institutions, History, University of Bologna.
- 2007-08 Comparative Political History of Asia, Department of Politics, Institutions, History, University of Bologna.
- 2006 Political and Social Institutions of Korea, Department of Politics, Institutions, History, University of Bologna.
- 2006 China: Modernization, Economic Development and Social Change, Department of Politics, Institutions, History, University of Bologna.

Summer Courses

- 2016 *Understanding Korean Politics and International Relations of Asia*, International Summer Campus, Korea University, Seoul.
- 2011-15 *Peace and Conflict in Northeast Asia: China, Korea and Japan*, International Summer Session, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Seoul.
- 2012-13 *The Korean War*, International Summer Session, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Seoul.
- 2014-15 *Politics and Foreign Policy of Korea*, International Summer Session, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Seoul.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2002-2006 Research Assistant, Political Studies, University of Bologna.

TEACHING AREAS

Inter-Korean Relations
 North Korean Domestic and International Policies
 Asian Politics
 International Relations of Asia
 Contemporary History of East Asia
 Political and Social Development in East Asia

LANGUAGES

Italian: native speaker
 English: fluent
 Korean: basic
 French: basic

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association for Asian Studies (AAS)
 Association for Korean Studies in Europe (AKSE)
 Centro di Ricerca Italia-Asia (Italy-Asia Research Center)
 Korean Political Science Association (KPSA)
 Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)

