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## **UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES:**

Laurea, Università di Bologna, Magna cum Laude, Economics, 2000  
Exchange Program University of California Berkeley 1998-99

## **GRADUATE STUDIES:**

Ph. D. Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, September 2005  
THESIS TITLE: Essays in International Trade Policy and International Outsourcing  
THESIS SUPERVISORS: Prof. Pol Antràs and Prof. Andrés Rodríguez-Clare

## **FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT:**

Assistant Professor of Economics, The University of British Columbia, July 2005 – Present

## **OTHER AFFILIATIONS:**

Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Analysis, April 2009 - Present  
Fellow, Canadian Institute for Advanced Research (CIFAR), June 2007 – Present  
Fellow, Rimini Center for Economic Analysis (RCEA), Spring 2007 – Present  
Advisory Committee Member, Empirical Investigations in International Trade (EIIT), November 2006 – Present

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

The University of British Columbia:  
International Trade (Undergraduate, Senior), Econ 455  
International Trade (Undergraduate, Junior), Econ 355  
International Trade Theory (Graduate), Econ 590A

## **REFEREE EXPERIENCE:**

*Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Economics of Transition, Journal of Political Economy, Economic Journal, American Economic Review, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Empirical Economics, Journal of International Economics, Journal of International Trade and Economic Development, Economica, Journal of Public Economics, Empirical Economics, European Journal of Political Research, Economics and Politics, Southern Economic Journal, Canadian Journal of Economics, Journal of the Japanese and International Economies, American Economic Journal- Macroeconomics*

### **HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FELLOWSHIPS:**

2004: Winner of the EIIT (Empirical Investigation in International Trade) Graduate Student Competition  
2000-2002: Fellowship, Department of Economics, MIT  
2000: Rotary Club Bologna "Best Graduate in Economics, Università di Bologna 1998-1999"  
1999: Dean's honors list, UC Berkeley

### **GRANTS:**

2006-2007: Grant of \$10,000 from Initiative on Global Markets (Chicago GSB) for the project with Francesco Trebbi "Measuring Interest Groups' Activity with an Application to Lobbying for Trade Policy"  
2007-2008: Grant of \$15,000 from Initiative on Global Markets (Chicago GSB) for the project with Francesco Trebbi "Lobbying for Trade and the Industrial Organization of Special Interests"  
2007-2008: HSS Small Research Grant \$3,000 for project "Risk aversion and expected utility theory: An experiment with large and small stakes"  
2008-2009: Grant of \$15,000 from Initiative on Global Markets (Chicago GSB) for the project with Francesco Trebbi "The Industrial Organization of K Street: What Do Lobbyists Do? How Much are They Paid and Why?"  
2009-2012: SSHRC Standard Grant \$63,000 "Why are Lobbyists Paid?"  
2009-2010: Hampton Grant \$21,500 "Firm Heterogeneity and Ricardian Trade"

### **CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS:**

2011: CIFAR IOG group meeting (Toronto), NBER Political Economy Summer Institute, Columbia University  
2010: Stanford GSB  
2009: CIFAR IOG group meeting (Montreal), Columbia University, Conference on the New Political Economy of Trade (EUI -Florence), EIIE (Ljubljana, Slovenia), University of Chicago Booth School of Business, UC San Diego, UC Davis  
2008: AEA Annual Meeting (New Orleans), Harris School at the University of Chicago, CIFAR (Toronto), Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto, Penn State, Public Economics UK 2008 (University of Warwick), Kellogg School of Management (MEDS) at Northwestern University, Canadian Economics Association meeting in Vancouver, Small Open Economies in a Globalized World conference in Waterloo, Econometric Society North American Summer Meeting (Pittsburgh,) PIER Conference on Political Economy, IIES Stockholm University, SCCIE Annual Conference (Santa Cruz,) Carleton University, Stanford University  
2007: International Monetary Fund, University of Calgary, Università di Bologna, Rimini Center for Economic Analysis (RCEA)  
2006: CIAR (Vancouver), ISNIE Conference (Boulder)  
2005: ERWIT-CEPR (Rotterdam), NBER Summer Institute, International Trade and Investment Group (Cambridge, MA), Brown University, University of Colorado Boulder, The University of British Columbia, Boston University, Boston College, University of Chicago GSB, Stanford GSB, Kellogg School of

Management, University of Texas-Austin, London School of Economics, Institute for International Economic Studies, Johns Hopkins SAIS, Federal Reserve Board of Governors, Pennsylvania State University  
2004 EIIT (Empirical Investigations in International Trade) – Santa Cruz, CA  
IADB (Inter-American Development Bank) Research Seminar

### **INTERNSHIPS AND VISITING POSITIONS:**

Year 2009-2010: University of Chicago Booth School of Business

Summer 2003: Visitor: CREI – Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain

Summer 2001: Internship: WorldBank – Latin America and Caribbean Region

### **PUBLICATIONS**

“Firm Heterogeneity and Lobby Participation.” *Journal of International Economics* Vol.75, No.2, July 2008, pp. 329-348

“Risk Aversion and Expected Utility Theory: An Experiment with Large and Small Stakes.” (with Francesco Trebbi), *Journal of the European Economic Association*, forthcoming

“Votes or Money? Theory and Evidence from the US Congress.” (with Francesco Trebbi), *Journal of Public Economics*, Vol. 95, Issues 7-8 pp. 587-611

“Skill Dispersion and Trade Flows.” (with Giovanni Gallipoli and Germán Pupato) *American Economic Review*, forthcoming.

“Firm Heterogeneity and Ricardian Trade: the Impact of Domestic Competition on Export Performance.” (with Chris Kurz and Peter Morrow) *Canadian Journal of Economics*, forthcoming.

“Competition and Political Organization: Together or Alone in Lobbying for Trade Policy?” (with Francesco Trebbi) *Journal of International Economics*, forthcoming

### **RESEARCH PAPERS**

“Is It Whom You Know or What You Know? An Empirical Assessment of the Lobbying Process” (with Marianne Bertrand and Francesco Trebbi) February 2011

“Unobservable Skill Dispersion and Comparative Advantage.” (with Giovanni Gallipoli and Germán Pupato) November 2010

“Gains from Distortions in Congested City Networks.” (with Francesco Trebbi), August 2011

### **RESEARCH IN PROGRESS**

“Competition is No Cure for Corruption” (with Alex Coutts)

“Product Differentiation and Waves of Outsourcing”