Curriculum Vitae

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PERSONAL DATA

Place and Date of Birth: Busto Arsizio, Italy — 12 October 1983  
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CURRENT POSITION

Mar 2017  
University of Milan, Milano  
Department of Social & Political Sciences  
Assistant Professor (type B)

Apr 2017  
National scientific qualification for Associate Professorship

Dec 2012  
VOICES from the Blogs Srl, spin-off of the University of Milan, Milano.  
Co-founder and board member

EDUCATION

Feb 2012  
University of Milan, Milano  
Graduate School in Social and Political Sciences  
Ph.D. in Political Studies  
Grade: Excellent  

Sep 2010  
Harvard University  
Institute for Quantitative Social Science  
Visiting Fellow — until Feb 2011

Apr 2008  
University of Milan, Milano  
Master of Arts in Politics and Comparative Institutions  
110/110 summa cum laude

Feb 2006  
University of Milan, Milano  
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science  
110/110 summa cum laude

Jul 2002  
Istituto Tecnico Commerciale “E. Tosi”, Busto Arsizio  
Diploma in Accounting — Final Grade: 100/100 honour mention
Publications in Journals


2016  Ceron, Andrea, and Fedra Negri, “The ‘social side’ of public policies: monitoring online public opinion and its mobilization during the policy cycle”, Policy & Internet, 8(2): 131-147.


2014  Ceron, Andrea, Luigi Curini, Stefano Iacus, and Giuseppe Porro, “Every tweet counts? How content analysis of social media can improve our knowledge of citizens political preferences with an application to Italy and France”, New Media & Society, 16(2): 340-358.


### Books

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<td>Ceron, Andrea</td>
<td><em>Leaders, Factions and the Game of Intra-Party Politics</em></td>
<td>Routledge, London</td>
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<td><em>Social Media and Political Accountability: Bridging the Gap between Citizens and Politicians</em></td>
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<td>Ceron, Andrea, Luigi Curini, Stefano Iacus, Renato Mattioni, and Giuseppe Porro</td>
<td>#Milano-Brianza in un tweet: lavoro, politica, partecipazione</td>
<td>Guerini e Associati, Milano</td>
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### Book Chapters

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### Working Paper Series and Conference Proceedings

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<td>Ceron, Andrea, Zac Greene, Gijs Schumacher, and Zoltan Fazekas</td>
<td>“The Nuts and Bolts of Automated Text Analysis. Comparing Different Document Pre-Processing Techniques in Four Countries.”</td>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>Ceron, Andrea</td>
<td>“Understanding Intra-Party Politics through Text Analysis of Social Media: Three applications to the Italian case.”</td>
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BOOK REVIEWS


SPIN-OFF

2012  Co-founder of VOICES from the Blogs Srl and board member (with Luigi Curini and Stefano Iacus, University of Milan). VOICES from the Blogs Srl is a spin-off of the University of Milan, which analyzes the public opinion expressed on social media by means of quantitative text analysis of blog posts and tweets.

PATENT


SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

MAY 2016  Included in the Reserve List for the “ERC call H2020-SC6-REV-INEQUAL-2016-2017” with Luigi Curini and Stefano Iacus (Voices from the Blogs Srl). Project: Towards Fair Mobility in an asymmetrical Europe? Understanding the relationship between social, economic and political impacts of intra-EU mobility. Score: 13.5/15


DEC 2015  Research fund “Linea A2” grant (4.200E) awarded by the University of Milan

JAN 2015  Second-ranked in the Italian Journal of Public Policy “Young Scholars Prize”

JUL 2014  Research fund “Linea B” grant (2.000E) awarded by the University of Milan

DEC 2014  Winner of the ISTAT & Google contest “Producing official statistics with Big Data” with Luigi Curini, Stefano Iacus, and Giuseppe Porro. Project: Social Well-Being Index

NOV 2013  Winner of the EMC Forum contest “University and Big Data” for young talents

SEP 2013  Fourth-ranked in “ECPR 2013 Jean Blondel PhD Prize”

SEP 2012  Member of the Research Unit at University of Milan in the PRIN project: “L’agenda-setting istituzionale: attori, tempi, informazione” financed by the Italian Ministry for Research and Higher Education, 2011-2013 with a Post-doctoral grant (around 20.000E) — until AUG 2013

FEB 2012  Postdoctoral grant (2.000E) awarded by the University of Milan

OCT 2008  Fellowship for Ph.D. students (around 40.000E) — until Sep 2011
ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2013-2016 University of Milan, Milano
   Department of Social & Political Sciences
   Assistant Professor (type A)

2012-2013 University of Milan, Milano
   Department of Social & Political Sciences
   Post-Doc Researcher

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2016 → Lecturer in Polimetrics (20 hrs), University of Milan
2015 → Lecturer in Applied Multivariate Analysis for Social Scientists (20 hrs), Network for the Advancement of Social and Political studies — University of Milan
2015-2016 → Lecturer in Analysis of Political Institutions (20 hrs), University of Milan
2014-2015 Lecturer in Political and Administrative Systems (40 hrs), University of Milan
2012-2014 Teaching Fellow in Introduction to Stata (6 hrs), Graduate School in Social and Political Sciences — University of Milan
2011-2013 Teaching Assistant in Political Science, University of Milan
2011-2015 Teaching Assistant in Analysis of Political Institutions, University of Milan
2011-2013 Teaching Assistant in Applied Multivariate Analysis for Social Scientists, Graduate School in Social, Economic and Political Sciences — University of Milan

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2016 → Member of “Politics of Portfolio Design” research group, and responsible for collecting data on Italy. Group founded by Ulrich Sieberer (University of Konstanz) and Thomas M. Meyer (University of Vienna), which aims to gather information on laws that alter portfolio allocation in European countries.
2016-2017 → Invited researcher at “Institute of Social Media Data”, Waseda University.
2014 → Co-founder of the Party Congress Research Group (with Zac Greene, Gijs Schumacher and Zoltan Fuzekas, Wolfgang Muller, Maoz Rosenthal and others). The project aims at analyzing intra-party debates.
2014 Collaboration to EUvox project, a EU-wide voting advice application (VAA) for the 2014 European Elections. Head of Italian team.
2012 → Member of VOICES from the Blogs, a project created by Luigi Curini, Stefano Iacus (University of Milan) and Giuseppe Porro (Insubria University), which consists in quantitative text analysis of blog posts and tweets. The Voices from the Blogs platform allows to monitor the public opinions expressed on social media.
2010 Collaboration to Global Leadership Project (co-PIs John Gerring and Erzen Oncel, Boston University) as expert coder for data on Italy. Research funded by the Clinton Global Initiative
2008 → Co-author with Paolo Martelli and Luigi Curini (University of Milan) of the ILSD database consisting of quantitative content analysis of Italian parliamentary speeches from 1946 up to date (similar to Comparative Manifesto Project)
Invited Talks (selection)


2015  “Isis in the eyes of the Arab community: The determinants of Twitter Sentiment and the number of Foreign Fighters” (with Luigi Curini and Stefano Iacus). Paper presented at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 2 April 2015.


2013  “Every tweet counts (if you count them the right way). Electoral forecasts and public opinion measured through sentiment analysis of social media” (with Luigi Curini, Stefano Iacus, and Giuseppe Porro). Paper presented at the Workshop in Analysis of Politics through Digital Methods, University of Milan, Milano, 28 January 2013.


2013 “Inter-factional conflicts and government formation. Do party leaders sort out ideological heterogeneity?”. Paper presented at the ECPR General Conference 2013, Bordeaux, 4-7 September 2013.


2012 “Gamson Rule not for All: Patterns of Portfolio Allocation among Italian Factions”. Paper presented at the 62nd Annual International Conference of the Political Studies Association (PSA), Belfast, 3-5 April 2012.


→ Social media analyst for the Italian Government, for political parties, and other political institutions


→ Media appearances: Rai 3 (Agorà), TGCom24, Radio 1 (Zapping 2.0), Radio 2, Wired.

2017 Ceron, Andrea, “What an algorithm for expelling rebels and rewarding a party’s loyal MPs could look like”, LSE EUROPP Blog. 23 March 2017


2015 Ceron, Andrea, Luigi Curini, Stefano Iacus, and Andrea Ruggeri, “Here’s a paradox: Shutting down the Islamic State on Twitter might help it recruit”. Monkey Cage - The Washington Post. 10 December 2015

2015 Ceron, Andrea, Luigi Curini, and Stefano Iacus, “Forecasting elections with social media? Yes, we can. Almost”. OXPOL- Oxford University Politics Blog. 23 June 2015


2013 Ceron, Andrea, “Factions and fissions in the aftermath of the 2013 elections: why Italian politics never gets boring”, LSE EUROPP Blog. 09 July 2013

2012 → Collaboration with the on-line version of the main Italian newspaper “Corriere della Sera” through a blog (http://sentimeter.corriere.it) and with “La Repubblica - Economia & Finanza”

2012 → Co-author of the blog “voicesfromtheblogs.com” (together with Luigi, Curini, Stefano Iacus, and Giuseppe Porro)

2012 Ceron, Andrea, Luigi, Curini, Stefano Iacus, and Giuseppe Porro, “Sentimeter e primarie: Previsioni e programmi al tempo di Twitter”, Questioni Primarie 5
REVIEWER FOR


SUMMER SCHOOLS

2009  ECPR Carlo Alberto Summer School on Analytical Politics in Europe, Moncalieri (Italy)
2009  Quantitative Text Analysis — ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques, Ljubljana (Slovenia)
2009  Introduction to R — ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

LANGUAGES

ITALIAN:  Mothertongue
ENGLISH:  Fluent (C2)
FRENCH:  Good (B2)