





PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Sex Male | Date of birth 09/11/1972 | Nationality Italian

WORK EXPERIENCE

From January 2014

Full Professor – Economics

School of Economics and Finance, Queen Mary University of London - UK

- Teaching undergraduate, graduate and post graduate econometrics

Business or sector University – School of Economics and Business Administration

From September 2008

Research Fellow

IRVAPP – Trento - Italy

- Supervision of research activities at the institute

Business or sector Research Institute

October 2006 to December 2013

Associate Professor - Econometrics

Università degli Studi di Padova - Italy

- Teaching undergraduate, graduate and post graduate econometrics

Business or sector University – School of Economics and Business Administration

October 2004 to September 2006

Assistant Professor - Econometrics

Università degli Studi di Padova - Italy

- Teaching undergraduate, graduate and post graduate econometrics

Business or sector University – School of Economics and Business Administration

October 2001 to January 2006

Research Economist

Institute For Fiscal Studies – London - UK

- Research on labour economics, economics of education and development economics

Business or sector Research Institute in Economics

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

ISCED 6

February 1998 to February 2002

PhD in Statistics

Università degli Studi di Padova - Italy

- Research on labour economics, economics of education and policy evaluation

September 1991 to March 1997

BA + MA economics with honours
Università degli Studi di Padova - Italy

ISCED 5a

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue Italian

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1

Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Job-related skills

Erich Battistin is Professor of Economics at Queen Mary University of London, Research Fellow at IRVAPP and IZA Research Fellow. He was previously employed as Associate Professor at the University of Padova, and as Research Economist at the Institute for Fiscal Studies in London.

He has extensively worked in the area of policy evaluation. His research interests cover a variety of fields of econometrics and labour economics, ranging from methodological aspects to more applied work. The results of his work are published in major peer-reviewed journals in the fields of economics and statistics (including the Journal of Political Economy and the American Economic Review), and in policy papers for national and international government agencies.

He was part of the team in charge of designing the Employer Training Pilots impact evaluation, conducted for the Department of Education and Skills with the aim of piloting elements of the Train to Gain reform in selected areas of England. Train to Gain is still an important financial scheme, projected to cost around £1 billion (0.06% of GDP) in 2010-11, and represents over a third of the government's adult skills and further education budget. He was part of the team evaluating the effects of the Education Maintenance Allowance pilots that were instigated by the Department for Education and Skills in selected areas of England to face low rates of participation in post-16 education. He also worked as consultant with the World Bank, and coordinated the fieldwork and the impact evaluation of the Commercial Agriculture Development Project (CADP) in Nigeria.

He contributed to the launch of IRVAPP, where he currently supervises various research projects and teaches courses on impact evaluation. He was the principal investigator of projects funded by the Economic and Social Research Council in the United Kingdom, the Italian Ministry of Welfare and the Italian Ministry of University and Research, and participated as co-investigator in several other projects funded by national and international institutions.

He acted as supervisor for numerous students at the Ph.D. and master level, was deputy director of the Ph.D. School in Statistics of the University of Padova and coordinated one of the Ph.D. courses of the Italian Econometric Society. He regularly teaches short courses on micro-econometrics and policy evaluation for international institutions.

Fields of Specialisation: Impact Evaluation; Economics of Education; Consumption; Measurement Error Models.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Journal articles

- Counting Rotten Apples: Student Achievement and Score Manipulation in Italian Elementary Schools (with M. De Nadai and D. Vuri), *Journal of Econometrics*, forthcoming.
- In a Small Moment: Class Size and Moral Hazard in the Mezzogiorno (with J. Angrist and D. Vuri), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, forthcoming.
- Minority and Majority Private Equity Investments: Firm Performance and Governance (with P. Bortoluzzi, F. Buttignon, and M. Vedovato), *Journal of Management and Governance*, 2017, Volume 21, Issue 3, pp. 659-684.
- Should We Increase Instruction Time in Low Achieving Schools? Evidence from Southern Italy (with E. Meroni), *Economics of Education Review*, 2016, Volume 55, pp. 39-56.
- Survey Instruments and the Reports of Consumption Expenditures: Evidence from the Consumer Expenditure Surveys (with M. Padula), *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A (Statistics in Society)*, 2016, Volume 179, Issue 2, pp. 559-581.
- Misreported Schooling, Multiple Measures and Returns to Educational Qualifications (with M. De Nadai and B. Sianesi), *Journal of Econometrics*, 2014, Volume 181, Issue 2, pp. 136-150.
- Treatment Effect Estimation with Covariate Measurement Error (with A. Chesher), *Journal of Econometrics*, 2014, Volume 178, Issue 2, pp. 707-715.
- Identification and estimation of Engel curves with endogenous and unobserved expenditures (with M. De Nadai), *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, 2013, doi: 10.1002/jae.2349.
- Food and Cash Transfers: Evidence from Colombia (with O. Attanasio and Alice Mesnard), *Economic Journal*, 2012, Volume 122, Issue 559, pp. 92-124.
- Connections and Performance in Bankers' Turnover (with C. Graziano and B. Parigi), *European Economic Review*, 2012, Volume 56, Number 3, pp. 470-487.
- Misclassified Treatment Status and Treatment Effects: An Application to Returns to Education in the UK (with B. Sianesi), *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 2011, Volume 93, Number 2, pp. 495-509.
- Providing Employers with Incentives to Train Low-Skilled Employees: Evidence from the UK Employer Training Pilots (with L. Abramovsky, E. Fitzsimons, A. Goodman and H. Simpson), *Journal of Labor Economics*, 2011, Volume 29, Number 1, pp. 153-192.
- Why is Consumption More Log Normal Than Income? Gibrat's Law Revisited (with R. Blundell and A. Lewbel), *Journal of Political Economy*, 2009, Volume 117, Number 6, pp. 1140-1154.
- The Retirement Consumption Puzzle: Evidence from a Regression Discontinuity Approach (with A. Brugiavini, E. Rettore and G. Weber), *American Economic Review*, 2009, Volume 99, Number 5, pp. 2209-2226.
- Ineligibles and Eligible Non-Participants as a Double Comparison Group in Regression Discontinuity Designs (with E. Rettore), *Journal of Econometrics*, 2008, Volume 142, Issue 2, pp.715-730.

Book chapters

- Choosing Among Alternative Classification Criteria to Measure the Labour Force Status (with E. Rettore and U. Trivellato), *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A (Statistics in Society)*, 2007, Volume 170, Number 1, pp. 5-27.
- What Can We Learn From Recall Consumption Data? (with R. Miniaci and G. Weber), *Journal of Human Resources*, 2003, Volume 38, Number 2, pp. 354-385.

Monographs

- Testing for Programme Effects in a Regression Discontinuity Design with Imperfect Compliance (with E. Rettore), *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A (Statistics in Society)*, 2002, Volume 165, Number 1, pp. 39-57.

Other publications/reports

- What Really Happened To Consumption Inequality in the US? (with O. Attanasio and H. Ichimura), in E. Berndt and C. Hulten (eds.), *Hard-to-Measure Goods and Services: Essays in Honor of Zvi Griliches*, University of Chicago Press, 2007. Project1 (please start with the most recent)
- Why do subsidised firms survive longer? An evaluation of a program promoting youth

- entrepreneurship in Italy (with A. Gavosto and E. Rettore), in M. Lechner and F. Pfeiffer (eds.), *Econometric Evaluation of Labour Market Policies*, Heidelberg: Physica-Verlag, 2001.
- Inequality and Living Standards since 1980 (with O. Attanasio and M. Padula); American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research Press, 2010.
 - What's Missing from Policy Evaluation: Identification and Estimation of the Distribution of Treatment Effects (with M. Fort, March 2008); *Atti della XLIV Riunione Scientifica, Società Italiana di Statistica*, pp. 127-134.
 - Evaluation of Education Maintenance Allowance Pilots: Young People Aged 16-19 Years Final Report of the Quantitative Evaluation (with C. Emmerson, E. Fitzsimons et al., October 2005) – Research Report for the Department of Education and Skills, Institute for Fiscal Studies, London.
 - How Effective Are Conditional Cash Transfers? Evidence from Colombia (with O. Attanasio, E. Fitzsimons, A. Mesnard and M. Vera-Hernandez, January 2005) – IFS Briefing Note BN54, Institute for Fiscal Studies, London.
 - The Impact of ETP on the Take-up of Training among Employers: Year 1 Report (with L. Abramovsky, A. Goodman and H. Simpson, March 2004) – Research Report for the Department of Education and Skills, Institute for Fiscal Studies, London.
 - The Evaluation of Education Maintenance Allowance Pilots: Three Years' Evidence. A Quantitative Evaluation (with L. Dearden, C. Emmerson, E. Fitzsimons and C. Meghir et al., January 2004) – Research Report for the Department of Education and Skills, Institute for Fiscal Studies, London.