

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL INFORMATION Federico Podestà

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WORK EXPERIENCE

2013 - present	Research Fellow FBK-IRVAPP Research Institute for the Evaluation of Public Policies – Trento.
2002 -2012	Researcher Osservatorio Permanente per l'Economia, il Lavoro e la Valutazione della Domanda Sociale – Trento
2002- 2004	Research Collaborator Department of Sociology and Social Research of the University of Trento.
2001 – 2002	Research Collaborator Faculty of Economics – University of Brescia

EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC TRAINING

2002	PhD in Economic Sociology University of Brescia
July 2002	Visitor with grant European Centre for Analysis in the Social Sciences (University of Essex)
June 2002	Visiting scholar Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies of Cologne
Fall 2000	Visiting scholar McDonough School of Business – Georgetown University (Washington D.C.).

1997 Laurea [MA equivalent] in Sociology
University of Trento

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

From December 2017 Italian National Scientific Qualification as Associate Professor in Sociology (14/C1) and
Economic Sociology (14 D1).

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s) Italian

Other language(s) English B2
French A1

Digital skills Good experience in MS Office
Statistical Packages: STATA (good knowledge)

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

2025-2027	IMPACT – “Between Crisis and Opportunities: Economic Impacts and Consequences of COVID-19 in Mountain Communities Commissioning body: Ministry of University and Research (MUR). Role: Research Team Member
2026	PoliMin – Policies for Children and Families Commissioning body: Department for Family Policies of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers.. Role: Research Team Member
2026	Governance of Social Services and Housing Policies in the Municipality of Rovereto and the Vallagarina Community Commissioning body: Municipality of Rovereto. Role: Principal Investigator
2026	SproSS – Analysis and Updating of Indicators Commissioning body: Provincial Agency for Environmental Protection (APPA). Role: Principal Investigator

2023-2025	AIXPA – AI Data: Artificial Intelligence in the Public Administration System Commissioning body: Autonomous Province of Trento (PAT), as part of the PNC-A.1.3 Flagship Project “Digitalisation of the Public Administration of the Autonomous Province of Trento.” Role: Research Team Member
2023	The contribution to the local economy of Funivie Alpe Cermis Commissioning body: Funivie Alpe Cermis S.p.A. Role: Principal Investigator
2023	Measuring the adequacy of social protection in Europe. A proposal for refinement Commissioning body: Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion and the Human Capital and Employment Unit of JRC Role: Principal Investigator
2022	SENSES - Evaluation of an Experiential School Intervention to Counter Stereotypes Towards Persons with Visual Disabilities Commissioning body: Fondazione CARITRO Role: Principal Investigator

PUBLICATIONS

2026	Burlacu, S., Azzolini, D., & Podestà, F. Beyond sight: exploring the impact of a multifaceted intervention on knowledge, attitudes and behaviors towards persons with visual impairment. <i>Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics</i> , 102604.
2026	Podestà, F., & Madia, J. E. Contrasting and combining the historical counterfactual method and the synthetic control method. <i>European Political Science Review</i> , 18(2), 353-369.
2025	Podestà, F. The Conventional Emptiness of Human Beings: Reviewing Archer’s Theory of Agency through Nagarjuna’s Looking Glass. <i>Comparative Philosophy</i> , 16(2), 8.
2025	Bazzoli, M., Madia, J. E., & Podestà, F. Another battle of the have-nots? the impact of immigration on the poverty risk of Western European natives. <i>Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies</i> , 1-20.
2024	Studying the Welfare State by Analysing Time-SeriesCross-Section Data, in "Handbook of the Political Economy of Social Policy" edited by B. Greve, A. M. Reis Moreira and M. Van Gerven (Edward Elgar)
2024	Bazzoli, M., Madia, J. E., Nicodemo, C., & Podestà, F. (2024). Immigration and health outcomes: A study on native health perception and limitations in Europe. <i>Economic Modelling</i> , 131, 106627.
2023	Podestà, F. Combining process tracing and synthetic control method: Bridging two ways of making causal inference in evaluation research. <i>Evaluation</i> , 29(1), 50-66.
2023	Public Pension Generosity and Old-Age Poverty in OECD countries. (with K. Kuitto and J.E. Madia). <i>Journal of Social Policy</i> , 52(2), 256-27.

- 2022 Bazoli, N., Podestà, F., & Mazzeo Ortolani, G. Measuring the adequacy of social protection by looking at those above the poverty line (No. JRC131292). Joint Research Centre (Seville site).
- 2020 Did the conservative resurgence matter? A counterfactual replication of Pierson's analysis on Reagan and Thatcher's welfare state retrenchments. *Comparative European Politics* 18: 819-839.
- 2020 Do government spending and cross-border barriers move together? No long-term relationship in 20 oecd countries, 1970-2009. *STATO E MERCATO* n. 118, april 2020.
- 2017 The impact of 'free choice': Family reforms of France and Belgium, a synthetic control Analysis. In 'International Journal of Social Welfare' DOI: 10.1111/ijsw.12256
- 2016 Universities as engines for regional growth? Using the synthetic control method to analyze the effects of research universities (C. Bonander, N. Jakobsson, e M. Svensson), in "Regional Science and Urban Economics" 60: 198–207.
- 2016 The economic impact of the Friuli-Venezia Giulia autonomy: a synthetic control analysis of asymmetric Italian federalism, in "The Annals of Regional Science". 58(1), 21-37.
- 2016 Operationalizing De-commodification and De-familization Outcomes via the Relative Poverty Approach: An Application to Western European Countries (with S. Marzadro) *Social Indicators Research*, 131(2), 701-726.
- 2014 Partisanship, State Intervention and Economic Well-Being in 13 Developed Countries, 1980-2000'. in "Comparative European Politics", 'Partisanship, State Intervention and Economic Well-Being in 13 Developed Countries, 1980-2000'. in "Comparative European Politics", 12, 76–100.
- 2012 'Potere politico, intervento statale e economic well-being nell'area OCSE' [Political Power, State Intervention and Economic Well-Being in OECD area], in "Stato e Mercato", n. 1. April 2012.
- 2008 'Two Countries in One. The Working Poor in Italy', (with F. Biolcati-Rinaldi) in "Working Poor in Europe", edited by H.J. Andreß and H. Lohmann, Edward Elgar.
- 2007 'Povertà e deprivazione in Trentino' [Povertà and Deprivation in Trentino], (with R. Bozzon, M. Degasperi e S. Marzadro), in "Povertà e benessere [Poverty and Well-Being]", edited by A. Brandolini and C. Saraceno, Il Mulino.
- 2006 'Comparing Time Series Cross-Section Model Specification. The Case of Welfare State Development', in "Quality and Quantity", 40(4), 539-559