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Research interests

Industrial and Regional Policy Evaluation; Firms' Behaviour (SMEs/Micro-Enterprises); Digital Skills and Labour Market Institutions; Spatial Econometrics.

Research experience & employment

- 2021–present** **Research Fellow**, FBK-IRVAPP, Fondazione Bruno Kessler (Trento, Italy).
Fields: Labour Economics, Regional Economics, Industrial Economics.
- 2020–2021** **Post-doctoral Researcher**, Eurac Research, Center for Advanced Studies (Bolzano/Bozen, Italy).
Fields: Tourism Economics, Regional Economics, Social Research
- 2014–2020** **Data Analyst**, IER – Institute for Economic Research, Chamber of Commerce (Bolzano/Bozen, Italy).
Tasks: regional economy monitoring; firm demography; financial statement analysis.
- Feb 2020** **Visiting Scholar**, Bank of Italy (Trento Branch), ARET Research Division. Host: Antonio Accetturo.
- Sep-Dec 2018** **Visiting Scholar**, Institute for Fiscal Studies (London, UK). Host: Richard Blundell.
- 2014** **Research Assistant**, AFI-IPL (Bolzano/Bozen, Italy). Industrial relations and collective bargaining research.

Education

- 2021** **Ph.D. in Economics and Management**, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano.
Fields: Labour Economics, Regional Economics, Public Policy Evaluation.
Supervisor: Steven Stillman; Co-supervisor: Mirco Tonin.
- 2013** **M.A. in Sociology and Social Research**, University of Trento.
Thesis: *Il divario generazionale: differenziali salariali nel mercato del lavoro italiano*.

Publications (peer-reviewed)

- Tomelleri, A., & Bille, A. (2025). Spatial interactions and micro-enterprises' uptake of COVID-19 financial aid: Evidence from a spatial hurdle probit. *Economic Modelling*, 149, 107087. [link](#)
- Azzolini, D., Doppio, N., Mion, L., Russo, I. Q., & Tomelleri, A. (2025). Empowering digital innovation in SMEs: Experimental evidence from design sprint innovation contests. *Technovation*, 144, 103239. [link](#)
- Billè, A., Tomelleri, A., & Ravazzolo, F. (2023). Forecasting regional GDPs: A comparison with spatial dynamic panel data models. *Spatial Economic Analysis*. [link](#)
- Cutuli, G., & Tomelleri, A. (2023). Returns to digital skills use, temporary employment, and trade unions in European labour markets. *European Journal of Industrial Relations*, 29(4), 393–413. [link](#)
- Tomelleri, A. (2021). Temporary jobs and increasing inequality for recent cohorts in Italy. *Labour*, 35(4), 500–537. [link](#)

Working papers

- Tomelleri, A., Cutuli, G., & Signoretti, A. (2025). Returns to ICT skills in European labour markets, trade unions and contractual cleavages. FBK-IRVAPP Working Paper. [link](#)

- Zamberlan, A., Tomelleri, A., Schizzerotto, A., & Barbieri, P. (2024). Digital economy, technological competencies and the job matching process. FBK-IRVAPP Working Paper. [link](#)
- Tomelleri, A. (2022). Earnings instability and non-standard employment: Cohort-based evidence from the Italian labour market. FBK-IRVAPP Working Paper. [link](#)

Ongoing projects

- Impact evaluation of industrial policies in Trentino, with particular attention to Provincial Law No. 6/1999 and subsequent policy instruments supporting innovation and local growth.
- Financial literacy of micro-entrepreneurs in Trentino (survey + index construction - in collaboration with the Statistical Office of the Autonomous Province of Trento).
- Impact of peers' behaviour on firms' training decisions (pre-registered RCT). [AEA RCT Registry](#)
- Policymaker preferences for study characteristics in evidence-based policy (DCE; pre-registered). [AEA RCT Registry](#)
- Fiscal literacy of micro-entrepreneurs in Trentino (tax knowledge module + experiment - in collaboration with the Statistical Office of the Autonomous Province of Trento).

Teaching & training

- 2025 (Jun) — **Panel Data for Causal Research Design** (training session), SIde-IEA & FBK-IRVAPP, Bertinoro (Italy).
- 2023–2025 — **Valutazione d'impatto delle politiche pubbliche** (modules on industrial/innovation policy evaluation), RMEIEC, PNRR-MUSA.
- 2022 (Feb) — **IRVAPP Advanced School 2022** - Advanced methods for impact evaluation of public policies (training session), FBK-IRVAPP, online.
- 2021 (Sep) — **IRVAPP Basic School 2021** - Fundamentals and methods for impact evaluation of public policies, FBK-IRVAPP, online.
- 2019 (Mar-May) — Teaching Assistant, **Migration Economics** (Prof. Steven Stillman), Free University of Bozen-Bolzano.

Selected conferences & seminars

- 2025 (Sep) — ILERA European Congress, Durham University (UK) - presenter.
- 2025 (Sep) — WES Annual Conference, Manchester University (UK) - presenter.
- 2025 (Mar) — RC28 Conference, University of Milan (IT) - presenter.
- 2024 (Dec) — CEDEFOP Workshop, Thessaloniki (GR) - presenter.
- 2024 (Sep) — ECSR Conference, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (ES) - presenter.
- 2023 (Oct) — Seminar - Department of Statistical Sciences, University of Bologna (IT) - presenter.
- 2022 (Nov) — 3rd LISER Conference, IAB, Nuremberg (DE) - presenter.
- 2022 (Apr) — OECD Conference on SMEs and the Urban Fabric, Trento (IT) - discussant.
- 2021 (Aug) — 60th ERSa Congress (online), EURAC, Bolzano (IT) - presenter.

Other publications & contributions (selected)

- OECD (2025), *Reviving Trentino's productivity: Unlocking opportunities for businesses and workers*, OECD Local Economic and Employment Development (LEED) Papers, No. 2025/01, OECD Publishing, Paris - contributor. [link](#)
- Digitaler Wettbewerbsfaktor: Vergleich zwischen Italien und Deutschland, Südtiroler Wirtschaftszeitung, 19. September 2025
- Tomelleri, A. (2024). Produttività e crescita economica. *Economia Trentina*, LXXIII(3), 12–17.
- ISPAT & FBK-IRVAPP (2023). *L'emergenza Covid-19 nelle microimprese in Trentino*. ISPAT Comunicazioni.
- Kofler, I., Habicher, D., Walder, M., & Tomelleri, A. (2022), Scenari futuri per un artigianato digitalizzato: i profili professionali del futuro; nuove opportunità attraverso la digitalizzazione, Eurac Research, (FESR - Interreg Italia-Österreich).

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