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Residence: Bologna, Italy
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Areas of Specialization

Social Epistemology, Formal Epistemology

Areas of Competence

Logic, Epistemology, Philosophy of Language, Metaphysics

Employments

- 2025 Guest Lecturer (May–June), IUSS Pavia.
- 2025– Honorary Fellow, Department of the Arts, University of Bologna.
- 2024–2025 Research Fellow, Department of the Arts, University of Bologna.
- 2020–2024 DFG Research Fellow, Department of Economics and Social Sciences, University of Hamburg.
- 2023–2024 Lecturer, Department of Humanities, Institute of Philosophy, University of Hamburg.

Teaching

- 2025 Teaching assistant: *Mind and Language: Philosophy of Logic*. Undergraduate course (6 CFU), Prof. Filippo Ferrari, Department of Philosophy, University of Bologna. Language teaching: English.
- 2023–2024 Lecturer: *Social Epistemology: Contemporary Themes and Methodologies*. Winter Semester 2023–24. Undergraduate course (Proseminar), Institute of Philosophy, University of Hamburg. Language teaching: English.

Editorial Work

- 2025 Guest Editor at *Argumenta* for the Special Issue *Timothy Williamson's Overfitting and Heuristics in Philosophy*.
- 2025– Junior Section Editor (Social Epistemology) at *Argumenta*.

Industry

- 2025– Expert Consultant at Pareto AI, Stanford, CA. (Training for Google's Gemini, and Anthropic)

Education

DEGREES AND UNIVERSITY DIPLOMAS

- 2020–2024 PhD (*magna cum laude*) in Philosophy, DFG Graduate Program "Collective Decision-Making", University of Hamburg. Thesis title: *Epistemic Groups: Epistemology and Formal Modelling*. Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Thomas Kroedel, Prof. Dr. Peter Niesen, Prof. Mason A. Porter (UCLA). Defended: 22 November 2024.
- 2018–2020 LOGIC YEAR, Institute of Logic, Language, and Computation, University of Amsterdam.
- 2015–2018 MA (*cum laude*) in Philosophy, University of Bologna.
- 2011–2015 BA (*cum laude*) in Philosophy, University of Catania.
- 2011–2012 BA in Pianoforte (interrupted), Conservatorio (College of Music) V. Bellini, Catania.

VISITING PERIODS

- 2025 Visiting Scholar (March–July), Arché Research Centre, Department of Philosophy, University of St Andrews, Supervisor Prof. Jessica Brown.
- 2023 Visiting Graduate Scholar (April–June), Department of Mathematics, University of California, Los Angeles, Supervisor Prof. Mason A. Porter.
- 2018 Visiting Student (April–June), Department of Philosophy, University of Nottingham, Supervisor Prof. Mark Jago.
- 2016–2017 Erasmus Student (September–May), Department of Theoretical Philosophy, University of Helsinki.

SUMMER SCHOOLS

- 2024 6th Urbino Summer School in Epistemology, University of Urbino.
- 2023 5th Urbino Summer School in Epistemology, University of Urbino.
- 2022 Polarization and Social Change, University of Granada.
- 2022 4th Urbino Summer School in Epistemology, University of Urbino.
- 2021 From Autocracy to Democracy and Back, Dr. Toke Aidt (Cambridge), Department of Economics and Social Sciences, University of Hamburg.
- 2019 Hamburg Summer School on Truthmaker Semantics, University of Hamburg.
- 2017 1st Urbino Epistemology Summer School, University of Urbino.
- 2017 3rd Nordic Logic Summer School, University of Stockholm.
- 2017 The Metaphysics of Time and Modality, University of Bonn.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

- 2023 Complex Social Systems (MRC Conference Week 3: 18–24 June), American Mathematical Society, Mathematical Research Communities program, Beaver Hollow Conference Center, Java Center, NY.

Publications

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2025 The Group Agent Account and the Pluralistic Ignorance Problem. *Episteme*. DOI: 10.1017/epi.2025.10092.

PEER REVIEWED EDITED VOLUMES

Forthcoming (with Filippo Ferrari & Sebastiano Moruzzi), Modelling Epistemic Filters. In M. Popa-Wyatt (ed.), *Misinformation and Other Epistemic Pathologies*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

PROCEEDINGS

2024 (with Filippo Ferrari & Sebastiano Moruzzi), Biases, Epistemic Filters, and Explainable Artificial Intelligence. In Ericson, P., Khairova, N., and De Vos, M. (eds.), *HHAI-WS 2024: Workshops at the Third International Conference on Hybrid Human-Artificial Intelligence (HHAI)*.

SUBMITTED

Submitted The Operative-Members Accounts and the Dissent Problem. [*Episteme*]

WORKING PAPERS

pre-submission A New Account of Group Beliefs.

pre-submission (joint with Mason A. Porter) The Hegselmann–Krause models on different network topologies.

working Paper A paper arguing that the Hegselmann–Krause model with truth parameters provides a case in which a community divided between experts (truth-seekers) and non-experts is epistemically better if the experts change their public opinions slowly.

Grants

2025 University of Bologna: Marco Polo Scholarship to carry out research at the University of St Andrews (€3450).

2024 American Mathematical Society: Grant to attend the Joint Mathematics Meetings 2024, 3–6 January, San Francisco (\$950). [Not attended because the period conflicted with duties at the University of Hamburg.]

2023 American Mathematical Society: Grant to attend the Mathematical Research Communities program Complex Social Systems (\$600).

2019 University of Hamburg: Grant to attend the Hamburg Summer School on Truthmaker Semantics (€500).

2016 University of Bologna: Erasmus Grant (€3000).

Honors

2026 Seal of Excellence for the MSCA Global Fellowship for the project: *A Positive Epistemic Theory of the Public Sphere*.

Affiliations

2023– American Mathematical Society (AMS).

2020– Società Italiana Filosofia Analitica [Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy] (SIFA).

2020– Alumni Alma Mater Studiorum-University of Bologna.

Talks

PEER-REVIEWED TALKS

- 2025 *A New Nonsummative Account of Group Belief*, XI Conference of the Spanish Society for Analytic Philosophy (SEFA), 1–3 October, University of Seville.
- 2025 *A New Nonsummative Account of Group Belief*, 12th International Congress of the German Society for Analytic Philosophy (GAP.12 Conference), 8–11 September, University of Dusseldorf.
- 2025 *A New Nonsummative Account of Group Belief*, 4th Annual Social Epistemology Network Event, 30 August–1 September, Georgetown University.
- 2025 *A New Nonsummative Account of Group Belief*, 16th Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, 27–29 August, University of Turin.
- 2025 *Hegselmann–Krause Models with Truth Parameter*, GWP.2025 Conference, 24–26 March, University of Erlangen. [Cancelled because of overlap with the start of the Visiting Period in St Andrews.]
- 2024 *Group Beliefs: A New Account and Problems of the Group Agent Account*, The British Society for the Theory of Knowledge Biannual Conference, 11–13 September, Cogito Research Centre, University of Glasgow.
- 2024 *Modelling Scientists and Public Interactions*, Science and Democracy Conference, 9–11 September, University College Dublin.
- 2024 *Hegselmann–Krause Models with Truth Parameter*, Knowledge, Science and Society Workshop, 13–14 May, Department of Philosophy, University of California, San Diego.
- 2023 *The Effects of Network Structures on the Hegselman–Krause Model of Opinion Dynamics with a Truth Parameter*, 9 September, SIFA 2023 Conference, University of Eastern Piedmont, Alessandria.
- 2023 *The Effects of Network Structures on the Hegselman–Krause Model of Opinion Dynamics with a Truth Parameter*, 5 September, SILFS 2023 Conference, University of Urbino, Urbino.
- 2022 *Echo Chambers and Polarization*, Polarization and Social Change Summer School, 21–24 June, University of Granada.
- 2022 *Pluralistic Ignorance and Group Beliefs*, European Epistemology Network Conference 2022, 14–17 June, University of Glasgow.
- 2021 *Group Belief: An Information-Based Approach*, 14th Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, 22–24 September, University of Messina.
- 2020 *Counterpossible Conditional. An Assessment*, Vienna Forum for Analytic Philosophy 2020 Graduate Conference, 3–5 June, University of Vienna.
- 2019 (with Vita Saitta), *Fake News: A Logical Analysis*, Workshop on Cailin O’Connor’s *The Origin of Unfairness* and Related Methodological Issues, 12 October, University of Zürich.
- 2019 (with Vita Saitta), *Fake News: A Logical Analysis*, SOPhIA Conference 2019, 18–20 September, University of Salzburg.

INVITED TALKS

- 2022 *Networks, Opinioni e Razionalità Collettiva: Modelli Computazionali per la Filosofia* [*Networks, Beliefs, and Collective Rationality: Computational Models for Philosophy*], Workshop to celebrate the retirement of Prof. Giovanni Camardi, 6 October, University of Catania.

Workshop Organization

- 2025 (with Filippo Ferrari), Paul Howrich Workshop, 30 June–2 July, University of Bologna.
- 2025 (with Filippo Ferrari and Luca Zanetti), 2nd SIFA Early Career Development Workshop (SEeD), 19–20 June, University of Bologna.
- 2025 (with Filippo Ferrari), *Political Disagreement* Workshop, 10–11 June, University of Bologna.
- 2025 (with Filippo Ferrari), Book Symposium on Michael P. Lynch’s *On Truth in Politics*, 9–10 June, University of Bologna.
- 2024 (with Filippo Ferrari), Book Symposium on Williamson’s *Overfitting and Heuristics in Philosophy* (OUP), 26–27 September, University of Bologna.
- 2024 (with Filippo Ferrari), *Understanding Scientific Disagreement* Workshop, 23–24 September, University of Bologna.
- 2024 (with Filippo Ferrari, Marta Benenti, Luca Zanetti) SIFA Early Career Development Workshop (SEeD), 13–14 June, University of Bologna.
- 2024 (with Filippo Ferrari), Book Symposium on Marco Mazzone’s *Razionali fino in fondo* (Quodlibet, 2023), 18 June, University of Bologna.
- 2020 (with Giovanni Camardi), It.Si.Cat:2020 PhD Workshop, 3 January, University of Catania.
- 2019 (with Giovanni Camardi), Ontology, Computation and Truth, March–May, University of Catania.

Public Outreach

PUBLIC OUTREACH TALKS

- 2021 Speaker at the Luciano Floridi Live Talk with the Alma Mater Alumni Society. 29 March 2021.
- 2025 *Pensare Insieme: Perché i Gruppi Favoriscono o Sfavoriscono la Verità?* [Group Thinking: How Do Groups Favour or Not Truth?], 28 February, Biblioteca Palatina and University of Parma.

NATIONAL PUBLIC BROADCASTING RADIO INTERVIEWS

- 2024– Interviewed within the Rai Radio 3 daily news commentary program *Revolution* hosted by Stefano Feltri.

PUBLIC OUTREACH WRITINGS

- 2024– Several contributions to the news and culture newsletter *Appunti – di Stefano Feltri*.

Languages

Italian: Native.
English: Proficient.
German: Basic.

Referee Service

American Philosophical Quarterly, *Synthese*, *Ratio*, *Cambridge University Press*.

References

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