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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EMPLOYMENT

Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Department of Economics and Business

- Assistant Professor, 2020-present.

Boston University, School of Law, Technology & Policy Research Initiative

- Postdoctoral Associate, 2017-2020.

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Barcelona School of Economics, Affiliated Professor, 2020-present.

UPF Barcelona School of Management, Affiliated Professor, 2022-present.

EDUCATION

Boston University, Questrom School of Business

- Ph.D. in Management, Concentration in Strategy & Innovation, 2017.

Bocconi University

- M.S. in Economics and Management of International Markets and New Technologies, 2009.
- B.S. in Economics of International Markets and New Technologies, 2006.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Strategy. Economics and management of innovation and technology. Intellectual property. Technology standards.

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Articles

- “[Patenting Inventions or Inventing Patents? Continuation Practice at the USPTO](#)” with Timothy Simcoe, *RAND Journal of Economics*, 54(3): 416–442, Fall 2023.
Working paper version: [NBER Working Paper No. 27686](#).
- “[Continuing Patent Applications at the USPTO](#)” with Davide Cannito and Theodor Vladasel, *Research Policy*, 52(4), May 2023, 104742.
Working paper version: [BSE Working Paper No. 1382](#).
- “[Disclosure Rules and Declared Essential Patents](#)” with Rudi Bekkers, Christian Catalini, Arianna Martinelli and Timothy Simcoe, *Research Policy*, 52(1), January 2023, 104618.
Working paper version: [NBER Working Paper No. 23627](#).
- “[Patent Examiner Specialization](#)” with Timothy Simcoe, *Research Policy*, 48(1): 137–148, February 2019.
Working paper version: [NBER Working Paper No. 23913](#).

Working Papers

- “[Patent Privateering](#)” with Adrien Hervouet, Emmanuel Lorenzon, and Valerio Sterzi.
- “[Declining Industrial Disruption](#)” with James Bessen, Erich Denk and Joowon Kim.
- “[Continuation Patents and Litigation.](#)”
- “[Information Technology and Firm Employment](#)” with James Bessen.
- “Standard Setting Organizations and the Scope of Cumulative Inventive Activity” with Timothy Simcoe. Draft available upon request.

Chapters in Books

- “Standards, Patents and Innovation”, with Timothy Simcoe, chapter in *Handbook of Innovation and Standards*, Hawkins, R., Blind, K. and Page, R. (Eds.), Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing. 2017.

Publications in Italian

- “Doing business in China. Investimenti diretti esteri nelle industrie high-tech e avanzamento tecnologico in Cina” with Benedetta Trivellato, *Economia & Management*, Number 6, November 2008, SDA Bocconi, Milan.

Contributions to Crowd-Sourced Research Projects

- Member of the Management Science Reproducibility Collaboration. Fišar, M., Greiner, B., Huber, C., Katok, E., Ozkes, A., and the Management Science Reproducibility Collaboration (forthcoming). “Reproducibility in Management Science.” *Management Science*.

CONFERENCE,
WORKSHOP, AND
SEMINAR
PRESENTATIONS
(MONTH/YEAR)

* PAPER

† POSTER

‡ DISCUSSANT

- Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management (8/2023)*.
- DRUID Conference (6/2023)*.
- Conference on Markets, Innovation, and the Environment, CEMFI (3/2023)‡.
- IE University (2/2023)*.
- TPRI Brown Bag Seminar (2/2023)*.
- TUM SEP Licensing Online Workshop (12/2022)*, ‡.
- ZEW/MaCCI Conference on the Economics of Innovation and Patenting (11/2022)*, ‡.
- Taiwan Symposium on Innovation Economics and Entrepreneurship (10/2022)*.
- IID Seminar, European Commission Joint Research Centre, Seville (10/2022)*.
- European Policy for Intellectual Property Conference (9/2022)*.
- Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management (8/2022)*.
- BSE Summer Forum, Economics of Science and Innovation (6/2022)*.
- DRUID Conference (6/2022)*.
- Munich Summer Institute (6/2022)†.
- ALLIES Workshop on Economics of Innovation (5/2022)*.
- Warwick Business School (11/2021)*.
- DRUID Conference (10/2021)*, ‡.
- TILEC Workshop on Patents and Standards (9/2021)*.
- NBER productivity lunch (9/2021)*.
- European Policy for Intellectual Property Conference (9/2021)*.
- Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management (8/2021)*.
- Mannheim Virtual IO Seminar, Workshop: Secrecy and Disclosure in Innovation (6/2021)‡.
- Munich Summer Institute (6/2021)*.
- BGSE Summer Forum, Economics of Science and Innovation (6/2021)*.
- International Industrial Organization Conference (5/2021)*, ‡.
- Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition (12/2019)*.
- RISE Workshop, Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition (12/2019).‡
- Universitat Pompeu Fabra (11/2019)*.
- NBER productivity lunch (11/2019)*.
- Growth Lab at the Harvard Center for International Development (11/2019)*.
- Boston University, Technology & Policy Research Initiative IP Day (7/2018)*.
- Munich Summer Institute (6/2018)†, ‡.
- United States Patent and Trademark Office (11/2017)*.
- USPTO Conference on the Economic Impacts of Intellectual Property on Market Outcomes (9/2017)‡.
- Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition (11/2016)*.
- BU Questrom School of Business, Strategy Brown Bag Seminar (several times)*.
- BU School of Law, TPRI Brown Bag Seminar (several times)*.

RESEARCH
ASSISTANCE

- Questrom School of Business, Boston University (2012-2017).
- KITeS, Bocconi University (2009-2011).

TEACHING

Barcelona School of Economics

- Instructor
Research Seminar: Business Economics and Management (co-taught; M.Res., 2023-present).

UPF Barcelona School of Management

- Instructor
Technology Strategy (M.S., 2023-present).
- Thesis and business plan supervision (M.S., 2023-present).

Universitat Pompeu Fabra

- Instructor
Strategic Management II (undergraduate, 2023-present).
Global Business and Brand Management (undergraduate, 2021-present).
- Thesis supervision (undergraduate, 2023).

Boston University

- Instructor
Strategy & Policy (undergraduate, 2014).
- Teaching Assistant
Strategy, Competition, and Innovation (MBA, 2015, 2016).
Strategy & Innovation (undergraduate, 2015).
Competition, Innovation and Strategy (MBA, 2014)
Strategy & Policy (undergraduate, 2013).

Bocconi University

- Tutor or Teaching Assistant
Industrial Economics (undergraduate, 2009, 2010).
Industry Analysis (M.S., 2009).
Innovation in Services (M.S., 2010).
Microeconomics of Technical Change (M.S., 2009).
Microeconomics (undergraduate 2009, 2010).
Statistics for Economics and Business (M.S., 2011, 2014, 2015).
The Economics and Organization of Inter-firm Networks (M.S., 2010).

SERVICE

Reviewer for Journals

- American Economic Journal: Economic Policy
- Economic Journal
- Entrepreneurship Theory and Practice
- Industry and Innovation
- IEEE Transactions on Engineering Management
- Journal of Economics and Management Strategy
- Journal of Public Economics
- Management Science
- North American Journal of Economics and Finance
- Organization Science
- Research Policy
- Science and Public Policy
- Strategic Management Journal
- Strategy Science
- Technovation

Reviewer for Conferences

- Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management (2021-present)
- DRUID Conference (2022-present)

Seminar and Workshop Organization

- Economics of Science and Innovation Workshop, BSE SF, co-organizer, 2024.
- Management Seminar Series, UPF, academic year 2023-2024.
- Strategy Department Brown Bag Seminars, BU Questrom, academic year 2015-2016.

AWARDS,
FELLOWSHIPS, AND
GRANTS

- Competition, Innovation, and Sustainability, Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación, PID2022-140014NB-I00 (Team Member; Principal Investigators: A. Banal-Estañol and R. Ferrer).
- Best Reviewer Award, AOM 2023, TIM Division.
- Barcelona School of Economics Seed Grant 2023 (Principal Investigator).
- Ph.D. in Management Program Fellowship, Boston University, 2011-2015.

LANGUAGES

Italian (native speaker), English (fluent).

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Stata, R, \LaTeX .

PRIOR WORK
EXPERIENCE

UniCredit Corporate Banking, Internship, Milan, Italy. April 2008-October 2008.