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Research Interests

Primary Applied Microeconomics
Secondary Political Economy, Media, Science of Science

References

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Prof. Carlo Schwarz
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Prof. Luca Braghieri
Bocconi University
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Education

PhD in Economics
Bocconi University, Milan, Italy
Advisors: Guido Tabellini, Carlo Schwarz, Luca Braghieri

Sep. 2020 - Jan. 2026 (expected)

Visiting Fellow
Harvard University, Cambridge, USA
Sponsor: Jim Snyder

Jan. 2025 - May 2025

MSc in Economics
University of Mannheim, Mannheim, Germany
Thesis supervisor: Christoph Rothe

Sep. 2018 - Aug. 2020

BSc in Economics
University of Mannheim, Mannheim, Germany
Thesis supervisor: Martin Peitz

Sep. 2014 - Jan. 2018

Awards

Doctoral Scholarship
German Academic Scholarship Foundation

since Nov. 2024

PhD Merit Scholarship
Fondazione Romeo ed Enrica Invernizzi

2024-2025

PhD Merit Scholarship
Bocconi University

2020-2024

Presentations

- 2025** EEA Congress 2025 (Bordeaux), Political Economy Workshop (Harvard), Economic and Social Policy Workshop (Harvard), American Politics Research Workshop (Harvard)
- 2024** Media and Applied Political Economy Workshop (Bocconi)
- 2023** European Meeting of Young Economists (Turin), Political Economy Workshop (Bocconi)

Work in Progress

Political Effects of Newspaper Paywalls

I examine how the introduction of paywalls on newspaper websites in the early 2010s affected political knowledge and electoral participation in the United States. Exploiting the staggered adoption of paywalls across newspapers and counties, I document a 25–30 percent decline in website visits following the introduction of a paywall. Moreover, I show that in counties where a larger share of online news consumption was affected by paywalls, survey respondents are 2–3 percentage points less likely to correctly answer political knowledge questions. This effect is driven by declines in knowledge about regional politics and most pronounced among individuals with lower income and education. These findings suggest that these groups may respond to paywalls by substituting towards less costly news sources with less intensive coverage of regional politics. Additionally, affected counties exhibit a suggestive 2 percentage point decline in congressional primary election participation. My results underscore the importance of easy access to high-quality news for democratic processes.

#Econ: The Impact of Social Media Usage on Economic Research *(with Carlo Schwarz)*

We study how social media usage affects the production of research in economics. We combine data on more than 60,000 economists and 1.4 million academic articles from IDEAS/RePEc, and link researchers to their personal Twitter accounts. Exploiting the timing of Twitter sign-up in a staggered difference-in-differences design as well as a novel instrumental variables strategy based on the adoption of Twitter in economists' PhD cohorts, we show that economists who join Twitter receive fewer citations from articles published in leading economics journals. Simultaneously, we find no effect on publications and citations overall. We provide evidence that after joining Twitter, researchers cite more papers authored by other Twitter users, and fewer papers by non-Twitter users. We also find evidence for increased co-authorship between Twitter users.

Academic Work Experience

Teaching assistant, Microeconomics I (Bachelor)

since Sep. 2021

Bocconi University, Milan, Italy

Teaching assistant, Political Economy (Master) for Guido Tabellini

Sep. 2023 - Feb. 2024

Bocconi University, Milan, Italy

Research assistant for Eleonora Patacchini

Nov. 2022 - Jan. 2023

Bocconi University, Milan, Italy

Teaching assistant, Microeconomics I (Bachelor)

Jan. 2020 - Jun. 2020

University of Mannheim, Mannheim, Germany

Research assistant, Department Digital Economy

Aug. 2018 - Aug. 2019

ZEW - Leibniz Institute for European Economic Research
Mannheim, Germany

IT Skills

R, Python, Stata

Advanced

Matlab, Julia, Git, \LaTeX

Intermediate

C, HTML, CSS

Basics

Languages

German Mother tongue

English Proficient

Italian Beginner

Other Activities

University Orchestra Mannheim

Jan. 2015 - Aug. 2019

Violinist

Student Union Economics

Sep. 2014 - Jun. 2017

Member & Elected representative

Certified Skiing Instructor

2015 - 2017

Holiday jobs