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Personal information

Date of birth: May 7, 1991; Citizenship: Italian

Current position and past appointments

2026-current	Associate Professor of Public Economics, Cattolica University
2021-2026	Assistant Professor of Public Economics, Cattolica University
2021	Postdoctoral researcher, Uppsala University

Visiting positions

2018-2019	Visiting fellow, Department of Economics, Harvard University
2015-2016	Visiting student, Department of Economics, Uppsala University

Affiliations

2021-current	CIFREL (Centro Interuniversitario Finanza Regionale e Locale), Cattolica University
2020-current	CESifo (Centre for Economic Studies and ifo institute), Munich
2017-current	UCFS (Uppsala Center for Fiscal Studies), Uppsala University

Education

2016-2021	Ph. D. in Economics, Uppsala University
2014-2016	M. Sc. in Economics, University of Siena & Uppsala University (double degree)
2010-2014	B. Sc. in Economics, University of Siena

Publications in international peer-reviewed journals

1. Bizzotto, J., Cipullo, D., Reslow, A. (Forthcoming). Biased Forecasts and Voting. ***Scandinavian Journal of Economics***.
2. Cipullo, D. (2026). When Women Take All: Direct Election and Female Leadership. ***Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*** *251, 107791.*
3. Carozzi, F., Cipullo, D., Repetto, L. (2024). Powers That Be? Political Alignment, Government Formation, and Government Stability. ***Journal of Public Economics*** *230, 105017.*
4. Cipullo, D., Reslow, A. (2022). Electoral Cycles in Macroeconomic Forecasts. ***Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*** *202, 307–340.*
5. Carozzi, F., Cipullo, D., Repetto, L. (2022). Political Fragmentation and Government Stability. Evidence from Local Governments in Spain. ***American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*** *14(2), 23–50.*
6. Cipullo, D., Le Moglie, M. (2022). To Vote or not To Vote? Electoral Campaigns and the Spread of COVID-19. ***European Journal of Political Economy*** *72, 102118.*
7. Cipullo, D. (2021). Voting Systems and Fiscal Policy: Evidence from Runoff and Plurality Elections. ***National Tax Journal*** *74(2), 347–376.*

Teaching experience

2026-current	The Policy Process (Ph. D.), Bocconi University
2025-current	Political and Public Economics (Ph. D.), Cattolica University and Univ. of Milan-Bicocca
2024-current	Public Finance (B. Sc.), Cattolica University
2023-current	Political and Public Economics (M. Sc.), Cattolica University
2022	Public Finance (B. Sc.), Cattolica University
2021; 2022	Scienza delle Finanze (Public Finance) (B. Sc.), Cattolica University
2019; 2017	Political Economics (M. Sc.), Uppsala University (teaching assistant)
2018	Applied Econometrics (M. Sc.), Uppsala University (teaching assistant)

Working papers

1. "Till death do us part": Easier Access to Divorce and Femicide (with F. Agosti and E. Muscarella). *CIFREL WP No. 2026-10.*
2. Masculinity Norms and the Far-Right Backlash Against Female Leadership (with F. Franzoni, M. Gamalerio, E. Muscarella, and F. Trombetta). *CIFREL WP No. 2026-13.*
3. Human Capital Shocks and Innovation: Evidence from Britain's Lost Generation (with J. Bietenbeck, E. Pinchbeck, L. Repetto). *CESifo WP No. 12529.*
4. Political Capture and Bureaucratic Behavior. Evidence from Mafia-Infiltrated Municipalities (with M. Carreri, M. Le Moglie, and A. Perego). *CESifo WP No. 12861. CEPR Discussion Paper No. 21805.*
5. Organized Crime, Hidden Pollution, and Long-Run Health Costs (with M.G. Onorato and G. Pelleschi). *CESifo WP No. 12644. CIFREL WP No. 2026-06.*
6. Historical Newspaper Markets (with L.V.A. Colombo, M. Magnani, and M.G. Onorato). *CESifo WP No. 12194.* Revise and Resubmit at ***Journal of Economic History***.
7. Fiscal Policy and Politicians' Term Length (with F. Franzoni and J. Klarin). *CESifo WP No. 12186.* Revise and Resubmit at ***American Economic Journal: Economic Policy***.
8. Inverting the Chain? VAT Collection Regimes and Tax Compliance (with D. Gamannossi Degl'Innocenti, M. Le Moglie, and F. Passerini).
9. Legislative Effectiveness, Trade Shocks, and Electoral Accountability (with B.E. Lee). *CESifo WP No. 11791.* Revise and Resubmit at ***The Economic Journal***.
10. Gender Gaps in Political Careers: Evidence from Competitive Elections. *CESifo WP No. 9075.*
11. Strategic Bankruptcies. Do Smart Politicians Do It Better? (with M. Bordignon and G. Turati). *CESifo WP No. 11930. CIFREL WP No. 2025-01.*

Other publications

1. Bordignon, M., Cipullo, D. (2026). Femminicidi: oltre la cronaca, cosa ci dicono i dati. *Vita e Pensiero 4/2026, 62–69.*
2. Bordignon, M., Cipullo, D. (2026). Perché reddito non significa ricchezza. *Eco 1/2026.*
3. Bordignon, M., Cipullo, D. (2025). In che misura i comuni riescono a riscuotere i propri tributi? *Eutopica 2, 42–49.*
4. Bordignon, M., Cipullo, D., Turati, G. (2025). Il dissesto finanziario nei comuni italiani: cosa ci dicono i dati? *Eutopica 2, 76–85.*
5. Bordignon, M., Cipullo, D., Iovino, P. (2024). La riscossione dei tributi comunali. *CIFREL Focus on Italy 2024/01.* Work conducted upon mandate from the Institute for Local Finance and Economics Foundation - National Association of Italian Municipalities (IFEL-ANCI).
6. Cipullo, D., Reslow, A. (2022). Are Governments Inflating their Forecasts ahead of Elections? *SUERF Policy Brief No. 452.*
7. Cipullo, D. (2021). Political Careers, Government Stability, and Electoral Cycles. *Economic Studies 194*, Uppsala University, Uppsala.

Honors and awards

1. *Etta Chiuri Prize* 2026, awarded by the *Italian Society of Public Economics*, the *Italian Association of Labor Economists*, *CHILD*, and *CSEF* [EUR 2,500].
2. *High-quality publication award* 2024 awarded by *Cattolica University* [EUR 5,000].
3. *Arnbergska priset* 2023, awarded by the *Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences* [SEK 80,000].
4. *Premio SIEP* 2022, awarded by the *Italian Society of Public Economics* [EUR 1,500].
5. *IIPF Young Economist Honorable Mention* 2022, awarded by the *International Institute of Public Finance.*
6. *EEA student travel award* 2020, awarded by the *European Economic Association* [EUR 400].
7. Nominated for the *CESifo Distinguished Affiliate Award in Public Economics* 2020.
8. *Scholarship to fund research visit at Harvard University* awarded in 2017 by the *Jan Wallanders och Tom Hedelius stiftelse samt Tore Browaldhs stiftelse* [SEK 640,000].
9. *Erasmus+ stipend*, awarded in 2015 by the *University of Siena* [EUR 4,000].

Competitive research grants

1. Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation PID 2024. "Towards Accountable, Inclusive and Sustainable Institutions: The Political Economy of Reforms, Migration, Gender Equity, and Climate Action." Role: Investigator. PI: Matteo Gamalerio, University of Barcelona [EUR 31,250].
2. Unicredit Foundation and Marco Fanno Association Modigliani Research Grant 2023. "The Dark Side of Economic Development: Men who Kill Women." Role: PI [EUR 20,000].

3. Italian Ministry of Education and Research PRIN 2022. "Sovereign and Corporate Debt in the Aftermath of Major Crises: Economic and Political Implications." Role: PI of Cattolica University unit. National PI: Silvia Marchesi, Bicocca University [EUR 247,000].
4. Cattolica University D.3.2 research grant. "UNEQUAL – UNpacking inEQUALities." Role: investigator. PI: Massimo Bordignon, Cattolica University [EUR 83,000].
5. Jan Wallanders och Tom Hedelius stiftelse samt Tore Browaldhs stiftelse research grant. "Political Institutions and Economic Policy." Role: investigator. PI: Eva Mörk, Uppsala University [SEK 2,400,000].

Supervision of Ph. D. students

1. Andrea Stringhetti, Cattolica University, exp. defense in 2028 (joint supervision with Massimo Bordignon).
2. Francesca Agosti, Cattolica University, exp. defense in 2027 (joint supervision with Lucia Corno).
3. Gianmario Pelleschi, Cattolica U., exp. defense in 2027 (joint supervision with Massimiliano G. Onorato).
4. Francesco Nicolini, Cattolica University, defended in 2024 (joint supervision with Tommaso Colussi). First placement: Free University of Bolzano/Bozen.
5. Federico Franzoni, Cattolica University, defended in 2023 (joint supervision with Massimo Bordignon and Matteo Gamalerio). First placement: University of Barcelona as Marie Sklodowska Curie Fellow.

Final examiner of Ph. D. theses

1. Mattia Longhi, Bicocca University, defense in 2026.
2. Alessandro Corvasce, Cattolica University, defense in 2023.

Invited seminars and conferences presentations

2027 Bocconi University (scheduled); University of Barcelona (scheduled).

2026 The 38th Congress of the Italian Society of Public Economics (Modena); The 82nd Annual Conference of the International Institute of Public Finance (Lisbon); Bocconi University; Cattolica University; Helsinki GSE.

2025 ifo-FAU Workshop on Tax Evasion in the Digital Age (Fürth); The 37th Congress of the Italian Society of Public Economics (Napoli).

2024 IFEL Foundation; Free University of Bolzano/Bozen; Bruneck Political Economy Workshop; Norwegian Business School; Oslo Business School; Villa Vigoni Workshop on Tax Compliance and Tax Enforcement; The 36th Congress of the Italian Society of Public Economics (Cagliari); The 80th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Prague, two presentations); University of Bergamo; Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences; Cattolica University; CESifo Area Conference on Public Economics (Munich).

2023 European Commission Joint Research Centre Ispra; Ca' Foscari University of Venice; The 35th Congress of the Italian Society of Public Economics (Verona); Uppsala Centre for Fiscal Studies; The 10th Annual Mannheim Taxation Conference; University of Barcelona; Bocconi University; Cattolica University.

2022 European Commission Joint Research Centre Ispra*; Cattolica University; The 34th Congress of the Italian Society of Public Economics (L'Aquila); The 78th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Linz, two presentations).

2021 Monash University*; Johannes Kepler University Linz*; University of Bologna*; Cattolica University*; The 33rd Congress of the Italian Society of Public Economics (Bari)*; The 25th Spring Meeting of Young Economists (Bologna)*; AEA-ASSA Annual Meeting (Chicago IL, poster session)*.

2020 Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México*; Stockholm Research Institute of Industrial Economics*; Aarhus University*; Uppsala University*; Econometric Society Winter Meeting (Nottingham)*; CESifo Area Conference on Public Economics (Munich, plenary session)*; SNS Job market meeting*; The 32nd Congress of the Italian Society of Public Economics (Bicocca)*; The 35th Congress of the European Economic Association (Rotterdam)*; The 76th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Reykjavik)*; AEA-ASSA Annual Meeting (San Diego, CA).

2019 Uppsala-Stockholm Political Economy Meeting; Uppsala University; Harvard University; The 31st Congress of the Italian Society of Public Economics (Turin); The 34th Congress of the European Economic Association (Manchester); The 75th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Glasgow, two presentations); Uppsala Centre for Fiscal Studies.

2018 Harvard University, Uppsala University; The 74th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Tampere); VATT Helsinki; Uppsala Centre for Fiscal Studies.

2017 Barcelona GSE.

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Teaching management responsibilities

2023-current	Member of the managing committee of the B. Sc. Economia delle Imprese e dei Mercati (Economics), Cattolica University

Seminars and conferences organization

2023-current	"Political Economy WIP" seminars, Cattolica University
2023-current	1st and 2nd UniCatt Political Economy Workshop
2022-current	Dept. of Economics and Finance seminars, Cattolica University
2022-2024	3rd and 4th Winter Symposium in Economics and Finance, Cattolica University

Refereeing activity

Canadian Journal of Economics; Economic Inquiry; European Economic Review; European Journal of Political Economy; Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control; Journal of Economic Geography; Journal of Urban Economics; Regional Science and Urban Economics; Canadian Journal of Political Science; Comparative Economic Policy; Comparative European Politics; Economics of Governance; German Economic Review; International Tax and Public Finance; Journal of Regulatory Economics; National Tax Journal; Nature Human Behaviour; Public Choice.

Popular writing and media coverage

1. Bordignon, M., Cipullo, D. (2026). Le trappole dell'Isee: dare meno a chi ha di meno? *lavoce.info*, November 16, 2026.
2. Cipullo, D., Onorato, M.G., Pelleschi, G. (2026). Rifiuti nella Terra dei fuochi: il costo nascosto per la salute. *lavoce.info*, September 17, 2026.
3. Bordignon, M., Cipullo, D. (2026). Quando il Pos parla con il registratore di cassa. *lavoce.info*, June 30, 2026.
4. Repetto, L., Cipullo, D., Pinchbeck, E., Bietenbeck, J. (2026). War and the lost generation of inventors. *VoxEU.org*, March 28, 2026.
5. Bordignon, M., Cipullo, D. (2025). Ma che è successo alle nostre tasse? Nota dell'Osservatorio sui Conti Pubblici Italiani, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, July 11, 2025.
6. in Cattolica News (2024). Alla scoperta dei Nobel. *Secondotempo.cattolicanews.it*, October 18, 2024.
7. Cipullo, D., and Colombo, L. (2024). Il decisore pubblico e l'effetto delle sue scelte. *Il Sole 24 Ore*, October 15, 2024.
8. Bordignon, M., Cipullo, D., Muscarella, E. (2024). Feminicidio y nuevas elecciones: ¿más mujeres en la política? *Nadaesgratis.es*, October 1, 2024.
9. Bordignon, M., Cipullo, D. (2024). L'Unione Europea. Una federazione incompiuta e da completare rapidamente. *Italia 2030. Per una economia capace di futuro*, Dipartimento di Economia e Finanza, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore.
10. Cipullo, D. (2024). Effetto distorsivo di un'aliquota progressiva per classi di reddito. Pillola di Economia del Dipartimento di Economia e Finanza, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore.
11. Cipullo, D. (2024). Distortionary effects of a progressive marginal tax rate by classes. Economics capsules of the Department of Economics and Finance, Cattolica University of Milan.
12. Bordignon, M., Cipullo, D., Valpreda, I., Virgadamo, L. (2024). La riscossione dei tributi municipali. Nota dell'Osservatorio sui Conti Pubblici Italiani, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, January 31, 2024.
13. Cipullo, D., Colussi, T., Rossignoli, D., Trombetta, F. (2023). Democrazie fragili, spunti di riflessione per il futuro. *Secondotempo.cattolicanews.it*, December 22, 2023.
14. Bordignon, M., Ciotti, L., Cipullo, D., Scutifero, N. (2022). L'espansione del forfettario e i regimi fiscali di autonomi e dipendenti. Nota dell'Osservatorio sui Conti Pubblici Italiani, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, December 21, 2022.
15. in Elections and the COVID-19 pandemic: to vote or to postpone? *Temi di Economia Pubblica SIEP*, August 31, 2022.
16. in Cervenka, A. (2021). Prognoser vapen i politiskt marktspel. *Dagens Industri*, July 9, 2021.
17. Cipullo, D. and Le Moglie, M. (2021). La pandemia è peggiorata per colpa delle elezioni. *Domani*, May 22, 2021.
18. in Study: Banks 'guilty of propaganda bias' over economic forecasts. *RT UK News* (tv news), September 11, 2019.
19. in Wallace, T. (2019). Research reveals 'Propaganda bias' in economists' Brexit forecasts. *The Daily Telegraph*, September 7, 2019.

20. in Singh, H. (2019). Saturday Papers: Boris Johnson told to 'get Brexit plan B'. *Citywire.co.uk*, September 7, 2019.
21. in Wallace, T. (2019). Banks' 'Project Fear' Brexit forecasts were commercially driven 'propaganda', economists say. *Telegraph.co.uk*, September 6, 2019.
22. in Brexit Central (2019). Boris Johnson says 'I'd rather be dead in a ditch' than ask for a Brexit extension from Brussels: Brexit News for Friday 6 September. *Brexitcentral.com*, September 6, 2019.
23. Carozzi, F., Cipullo, D., and Repetto, L. (2019). La estabilidad del gobierno en la era de la fragmentación: ¿hacia dónde vamos y qué podemos hacer? *Nadaesgratis.es*, June 12, 2019.

Additional information

2021-2023	External scientific consultant, Department of Economics, Uppsala University
2021	Research assistant for Prof. Peter Fredriksson (Uppsala University); Björn Öckert (Uppsala University); Andreas Madestam (Stockholm University)
2013-2014	Voluntary civil service (servizio civile) for Unione Nazionale Pro Loco d'Italia
2013	Municipality intern, Comune di San Gimignano (Italy)
2010-2011	Municipality short-term employee, Comune di San Gimignano (Italy)
2009-2010	President of the high school students' provincial council, Siena (Italy)