



CENTRO STUDI LUCA D'AGLIANO

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1 Luca d'Agliano and the Centro Studi

Luca d'Agliano

Luca d'Agliano was born in Turin on July 4, 1961. At the end of the first year of classical high school at the Rosmini Institute in Turin, he decided to finish his secondary education under the provisions of the Sevenoaks International Baccalaureate Programme.

In September 1980, he went up to Churchill College, University of Cambridge, where he read philosophy and then economics under Margaret Bray and Frank Hahn. On taking his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1983, he was awarded a scholarship by the Fondazione Luigi Einaudi, Turin, and was admitted to St. Antony's College, University of Oxford. Here, under the guidance of Amartya Sen, he studied questions relating to developing countries and welfare economics, concentrating mainly on the analysis of collective agriculture systems and the conflict, typical of such systems, between the ethical value of collective production and the pragmatic need to give individuals the incentive to produce.

In Luca d'Agliano's vision: "...economics [is] to be continually carried over into practical applications. [...] For this substantially ideological reason, it becomes important to combine the [...] study of purely theoretical matters with the study of the problems afflicting the developing countries in their struggle against poverty [...]".

Luca d'Agliano lost his life in a road accident in June 1984.

Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano

Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano (LdA) was founded in Turin in 1986 and it is currently located at Fondazione Luigi Einaudi in Turin and at the Department of Economics of the University of Milan.

LdA is a non-profit research institution contributing original research in the field of international and development economics. LdA carries out its activities in collaboration with major international and Italian research institutions and it works through a network of researchers worldwide. Although LdA's main focus is academic research, it also contributes to the policy debate, working for institutions like the World Bank, the European Commission, the United Nations and the Italian Government.

LdA is especially keen in encouraging young scholars to undertake research in development and international economics. It supports Italian students in their post-graduate studies abroad by awarding scholarships, prizes and research grants. It also funds foreign post-doctoral fellows to carry out research at its premises.

LdA regularly organises conferences and seminars and it publishes one of the leading working paper series in development economics.

2 Research areas at Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano

Research at Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano is organised around three main areas: Development and Social Inclusion, Migration, Firms and Global Competitiveness. Within each of these areas, LdA carries out a number of projects in cooperation with various research partners and funding institutions. Table 1 provides an outline of the research projects active in 2024-25 and the corresponding partners.

Table 1: Research areas, projects, research partners and funding institutions at LdA

DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL INCLUSION			
COORDINATOR			
Mariapia Mendola			
PROJECTS			
Debunking Ancestral Narratives: Ethnic Identity, Social Cohesion and Cooperation in India	Beyond Compulsory Education in Europe	Breaking Bread: Intergroup Contact and Social Integration	
RESEARCH PARTNERS			
University of Milan Bicocca; University of Milan; University of Bologna.			
FUNDING INSTITUTIONS			
MUR; UniCredit Foundation.			
MIGRATION			
COORDINATOR			
Tommaso Frattini			
PROJECTS			
Migration Observatory	Global Strategy for Skills, Migration and Development (GS4S)	Irregular Migration: Origin Countries and Border Controls	From Schools to Labour Markets: Fostering Social Inclusion and Economic Integration of Migrants and Refugees
RESEARCH PARTNERS			
Collegio Carlo Alberto; FIERI; CEPR, University of Milan; University of Rome La Sapienza; University of Pavia.			
FUNDING INSTITUTIONS			
Fondazione Compagnia di San Paolo; European Commission; MUR.			

FIRMS AND GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS

COORDINATOR

Gianmarco I.P. Ottaviano, Giorgio Barba Navaretti

PROJECTS

Productivity and Non-Tariff Measures

LEAP (Programma Fornitori e le Politiche Industriali Italiane ed Europee)

RESEARCH PARTNERS

Paris School of Economics (PSE); University of Paris-Dauphine - PSL; Università della Svizzera Italiana.

FUNDING INSTITUTIONS

Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development;
the European Investment Bank; Leonardo S.p.A.

2.1 Development and Social Inclusion

2.1.1 Research Activity

The study of economic development, from both an economic and social perspective, is a key research area at LdA. LdA fellows have been working on projects related to ethnic identity, perceived norms, intergroup contact and out-group attitudes. They have also been involved in academic and policy work on global development issues, including contributing to a UniCredit Report on secondary education in Europe, which examines the expansion of tertiary education in Europe as a key pathway to social inclusion.

The area is coordinated by Mariapia Mendola (Professor of Economics, University of Milano Bicocca and IZA Fellow). Resident researchers working in this area are Daniele Checchi, Anna Rosso, Francesco Campo and Sara Giunti. Non-resident researchers include Margherita Comola (PSE), Guido Friebel (Goethe University, Frankfurt), Harounan Kazianga (Oklahoma State University) and Giovanni Prarolo (University of Bologna).

2.1.2 Output

Papers

- Giovanna D’Adda, Jessica Gagete Miranda and Giovanni Righetto: “Social Networks and Labor Market Outcomes: Occupation Matters”, LdA WP no. 507, November 2025;
- Jacopo Bonan, Francesco Granella, Stefania Renna and Luis Sarmiento: “The Effect of Air Purifiers in Schools”, LdA WP no. 502, April 2025;
- Jacopo Bonan, Harounan Kazianga and Mariapia Mendola: "Agricultural Transformation and Farmers’ Expectation: Experimental Evidence from Uganda", LdA WP no. 458, December 2019; *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 2025;
- Francesco Campo, Sara Giunti, Mariapia Mendola and Giulia Tura: “Political Backlash to Refugee Settlement: Cultural and Economic Drivers”, IZA DP no. 16245 and Cefes WP no. 522, 2023; *Journal of Public Economics*, vol. 250, 105467, 2025;
- Michael A. Clemens and Mariapia Mendola: "Emigration from Developing Countries: Selection, Income Elasticity and Simpson’s Paradox", LdA WP no. 465, September 2020; *Journal of Development Economics*, Vol. 171: 103359, 2024;
- Francesco Campo, Sara Giunti and Mariapia Mendola: “Refugee Crisis and Right-Wing Populism: Evidence from the Italian Dispersal Policy”, IZA DP 14084, July 2021; *European Economic Review*, Vol.168: 104826, 2024;
- Margherita Comola, Carla Inguaggiato and Mariapia Mendola: “Learning about Farming: Innovation and Social Networks in a Resettled Community in Brazil”, IZA DP 14092, LdA WP 468, March 2020; *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, Vol. 221: 17-34, 2024;
- Guido Friebel, Miriam Manchin, Mariapia Mendola and Giovanni Prarolo: "International Migration Intentions and Illegal Costs: Evidence from Africa-to-Europe Smuggling Routes", IZA DP 11978 and CEPR DP 13326; *Journal of International Economics*, Vol. 148: 103878, 2024;

- Mariapia Mendola and Mengesha Yayo Negasi: “Nutritional and Schooling Impact of a Cash Transfer Program in Ethiopia: A Retrospective Analysis of Childhood Exposure”, LdA WP no. 451, June 2019; *Journal of African Economies*, Vol. 33 (4), 390-410, 2024;
- Mariapia Mendola, Giovanni Prarolo and Tommaso Sonno: “Curse or Blessing? Multinational Corporations and Labor Supply in Africa”, LdA WP no. 477, August 2021; *the Review of World Economics*, Vol.161, 339–371, 2025.

Policy Reports

- “Smoothing the Path from Compulsory to Tertiary Education in Europe”, Unicredit Foundation, January 2025.

2.1.3 Projects

Debunking Ancestral Narratives: Ethnic Identity, Social Cohesion and Cooperation

Funding Institution: MUR

Partners: University of Bologna, University of Milano-Bicocca

Start/End date: 2023-2025

LdA Researchers: Mariapia Mendola, Alessandro Saia, Riccardo Ghidoni.

Goals: The project develops a novel experimental design to explore how perceived ancestral origins (i.e., the alleged place of origin of their own ancestry) drive individual preferences about conflict and cooperation in a diverse society. Misperceptions about the lack of diversity in the ancestral origins are largely driven by historical ancestral narratives (ancestral myths) (Smith, 1984). The project goal is to carry out an experimental survey, combined with the use of Genetic Ancestry Tests (GATs), to investigate the following research questions: what is the role of ethnic identity and ancestral roots in explaining cooperation among individuals from different ethnic groups? How large is the gap between actual and perceived ancestral origins? Is it possible to foster between-group cooperation by reducing this gap?

Beyond Compulsory Education in Europe

Funding Institution: UniCredit Foundation

Partners: University of Milano Bicocca

Start/End date: 2023-2024

LdA Researchers: Daniele Checchi (coordinator), Mariapia Mendola, Andrea Guariso

Goals: This report examines the prospects for expanding tertiary education in Europe in line with the European Education Area target of achieving a 45% attainment rate among 25–34 year-olds

by 2030. Increasing access to higher education—particularly for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds—is seen as central to promoting equal opportunities and inclusive youth transitions. Bringing together five contributions, the project highlights the complexity of this goal, emphasizing the interplay between individual characteristics (skills and aspirations), social origins, institutional features of education systems, and financial constraints. It provides both a synthesis of existing evidence and new empirical insights into the transition from secondary to tertiary education.

Breaking Bread: Intergroup Contact and Immigrant Integration

Partners: CoopLombardia, University of Milan

Start/End date: 2024-2026

LdA Researchers: Anna Rosso (coordinator), Mariapia Mendola.

Goals: This project examines whether culturally grounded interactions can foster social integration between immigrants and native populations. We design a field experiment in which participants are randomly assigned to structured cooking classes that vary exposure to intergroup cooperation. Conceptualizing cooking as a form of joint cultural production, we test whether collaborative interaction reduces intergroup anxiety and improves attitudes toward out-groups. We measure impacts on preferences, behaviors, and social networks, capturing multiple dimensions of integration. We hypothesize that mixed-group participation increases trust and reduces social distance, with effects potentially persisting over time. The intervention may also generate bidirectional gains: natives exhibit greater cultural openness and reduced stereotyping, while immigrants report stronger belonging and integration. This study provides evidence on the role of low-barrier, participatory interactions in promoting social cohesion, and on a scalable mechanism for integration policy.

2.1.4 Dissemination

Conferences and Seminars

- XXIV Summer School in International and Development Economics: “Geo-economics, Natural Resources, and Development”, Mathieu Couttenier (Ecole Normale Supérieure de Lyon and CEPR) and Mathias Thoenig (University of Lausanne and CEPR), 2 – 5 September 2025, Castello di Gargonza, Italy;
- “Firms, Labor Markets, and Development Workshop”, 20-21 June 2025, University of Bari, Italy;
- XXIII Summer School in International and Development Economics: “Political Economy and Development”, Claudio Ferraz (University of British Columbia, PUC-Rio, and NBER) and Sandra Sequeira (London School of Economics and CEPR), 3rd-6th September 2024, Castello di Gargonza, Italy;
- Workshop on: “Firms, Labour Markets, and Development”, joint with Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto, 28th-29th June 2024, Ortygia Business School, Siracusa, Italy.

2.2 Migration

2.2.1 Research activity

The study of the economics of international migration is the second of LdA's research areas. LdA fellows are pursuing several interrelated lines of research that deal with all stages of migration process. A first one investigates the determinants of international migration and the process of migrants' self-selection. A second one deals with the role of destination-country policies in determining the size and composition of migrants' and refugees' flows as well as in determining the speed of their economic integration and investigates the political economy of immigration policy. In another stream of research, LdA fellows investigate how public policies can shape individual attitudes toward migration. Finally, a long-standing research line focuses on the consequences of immigration for receiving as well as for origin countries.

Research in this area is coordinated by Tommaso Frattini (Professor of Economics, University of Milan). Other LdA researchers working in this area are Francesco Fasani (University of Milan), Elisabetta Lodigiani (University of Padua) and Anna Rosso (University of Milan).

Pre-doc researchers are Gabriele Cugini and Anissa Bouchlaghem.

2.2.2 Output

Papers

- Giovanna D'Adda, Simone Ferro, Tommaso Frattini and Alessio Romarri: "Riders in the Smog: How Air Pollution Affects Workers in Urban Environments", LdA WP no. 506, November 2025;
- Elisabetta Lodigiani and Francesca Frigo: "For Children's Sake: the effects of child abuse scandals on migration aspirations", *Journal of Economic Geography*, September 2025;
- Andrea Berlanda, Elisabetta Lodigiani and Lorenzo Rocco: "Immigration and Adult Children's Care for Elderly Parents: Evidence from Western Europe", LdA WP no. 504, June 2025;
- Miriam Manchin, Alex Newnham and Elena Nikolova: "Fields and Foreign Lands: Pre-Industrial Climate Risk and International Migration", LdA WP no. 503, June 2025;
- Angela Dalmonte, Tommaso Frattini, Sofia Giorgini: "The Overeducation of Immigrants in Europe", LdA WP no. 496, October 2024.

Policy Reports

- Tommaso Frattini and Gabriele Cugini: "Immigrant integration in Europe", 9th Annual Report for CCA-LdA Migration Observatory, March 2025;
- Francesco Fasani: "New Approaches to Labour Market Integration of Migrants and Refugees", Committee on Employment and Social Affairs, Policy Department for Economic, Scientific and Quality of Life Policies, European Parliament, December 2024;
- Tommaso Frattini and Angela Dalmonte: "Immigrant integration in Europe", 8th Annual Report for CCA-LdA Migration Observatory, March 2024.

2.2.3 Projects

Migration Observatory

Funding Institution: Fondazione Compagnia di San Paolo

Partners: Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto

Start/End date: The project has been running since 2016, and its funding is renewed yearly.

LdA Researchers: Tommaso Frattini (coordinator), Gabriele Cugini, Anissa Bouchlaghem.

Goals: Promoting analytical knowledge on topical issues such as the wider economic and social impacts of immigration on receiving and sending countries and the implications of different migration policies, from an international and cross-disciplinary perspective. Strengthening research links between LdA and CCA and facilitating interdisciplinary migration research. Positioning Collegio/LdA as a central actor in migration research, with the two-fold objective of becoming highly visible in the policy debate and constructing a critical mass of academic knowledge.

Web page: <https://dagliano.unimi.it/migration-observatory/>

Website: <https://europeanmigration.eu/>

Past Conferences

- Migration Observatory 9th Annual Conference: “Immigrant Integration around the World” (in collaboration with FIERI and CEPR), 24th March 2025, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto;
- Migration Observatory 8th Annual Conference: “Immigrant Integration around the World” (in collaboration with FIERI), 22nd March 2024, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto;
- Migration Observatory 7th Annual Conference: “Immigration and Citizenship” (in collaboration with FIERI), 17th March 2023, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto;
- Migration Observatory 6th Annual Conference: “Immigration and Gender” (in collaboration with FIERI), 14th March 2022, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto;
- Migration Observatory 5th Annual Conference: “Immigration and COVID-19” (in collaboration with FIERI), 12th February 2021, online via Zoom;
- Migration Observatory 4th Annual Conference: “Drivers and consequences of migration restrictions and border enforcement” (in collaboration with FIERI), 21st February 2020; Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto;
- Migration Observatory 3rd Annual Conference: “Immigrants' Long-Term Integration Outcomes” (in collaboration with FIERI), 1st February 2019, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto;
- Presentation of the Second Annual Report: “Immigrant Integration in Europe and in Italy”,

22nd February 2018, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin;

- Migration Observatory 2nd Annual Conference: “International Migration and Development” (in collaboration with FIERI), 24th November 2017, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin;
- Migration Observatory 1st Annual Conference: “Migration Policy Challenges: from New Arrivals to Naturalization” (in collaboration with FIERI), 3rd February 2017, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto.

Global Strategy for Skills, Migration and Development (GS4S)

Funding Institution: European Commission

Partners: FIERI

Start/End date: 2023-2026.

LdA Researchers: Tommaso Frattini (coordinator), Sofia Giorgini.

Goals: GS4S seeks to better understand global skills shortages in the digital, care, and construction sectors, and to foster skills development through innovative analyses. The project proposes multi-level evidence-based policies on labour migration governance and alternative ways for addressing these shortages in six regions: EU, EEA, Western Balkan, Middle East and Northern Africa, West Africa, and South/South-East Asia.

Webpage: <https://gs4s.eu/>

Irregular Migration: Origin Countries and Border Controls

Funding Institution: MUR

Partners: University of Milan, University of Rome “La Sapienza”

Start/End date: 2023-2025.

LdA Researchers: Tommaso Frattini (coordinator), Francesco Fasani.

Goals: The project aims to analyse the causes and effects of migratory flows. In particular, the project will study various dimensions of irregular migration to, within, and from Libya and document the socio-economic and health effects of the conflict-induced internal displacement in the country. It will also analyse the role played by European border enforcement policies, as well as more broadly by European migration policy, on the size, composition and direction of irregular migration flows.

From Schools to Labour Markets: Fostering Social Inclusion and Economic Integration of Migrants and Refugees

Funding Institution: MUR

Partners: University of Milan, University of Pavia

Start/End date: 2023-2025.

LdA Researchers: Francesco Fasani (coordinator), Tommaso Frattini.

Goals: The project will study the determinants of the social and economic inclusion of migrants and refugees in Italy. In the one hand, it will study what policies can promote the educational inclusion of the children of migrants. On the other hand, it will analyze the economic effects of naturalization and the characteristics of asylum seekers' reception that foster their socio-economic integration.

2.2.4 Dissemination

Conferences and Seminars

- Seminar: "Lavoro senza confini: strumenti per accelerare l'inserimento lavorativo di migranti e rifugiati", November 10th 2025, Verona;
- Presentation of the Migration Observatory 9th Annual Report organised by CEPR and Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano, in collaboration with Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto and Sciences Po, May 13th 2025, Sciences Po Paris;
- Presentation of the Migration Observatory 9th Annual Report, March 24th 2025, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto;
- Presentation of the Migration Observatory 8th Annual Report, March 22nd 2024, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto;
- Presentation of the paper: "From Refugees to Citizens: Returns to Naturalization and Labour Market Outcomes", keynote speaker at ZEW Workshop on "Immigration, Integration, and Attitudes", Mannheim, 2024;
- Presentation of the paper: "From Refugees to Citizens: Returns to Naturalization and Labour Market Outcomes", keynote speaker at Workshop on "Immigration, Health and Wellbeing", Verona, 2024;
- Presentation of the paper: "From Refugees to Citizens: Returns to Naturalization and Labour Market Outcomes", Workshop on "Social and Economic Integration of Migrants and Refugees", Naples, organised by Fondazione Banco di Napoli, 2024;
- Presentation of the paper: "From Refugees to Citizens: Returns to Naturalization and Labour Market Outcomes", Departmental seminar at Trinity College, Dublin, 2024.

2.3 Firms and Global Competitiveness

2.3.1 Research Activity

Within this area, LdA fellows have been working extensively on the firm-level determinants of competitiveness and internationalisation, in particular on the role of non-tariff trade barriers as one of the main obstacles to firms' internationalization. Barriers such as quotas, packaging conditions or not-uniformed sanitary conditions may limit trade activity of firms and affect a wide range of firm-level outcomes (such as firms' population, productivity and exports). We compare non-tariff trade barriers with tariff in order to evaluate the effect of different types of protection on the domestic producers, and we also look into the impact of firms' organization on firms' performance and asks how internal capital and labour markets operating within business groups affect firms' resilience to positive and negative shocks.

The LdA team has also been investigating the role of dynamics of frontier and laggard firms in relation to the environment in which they operate with a focus on finance and quality of governance, looking at whether leaders and laggards make a different use of these inputs and whether this difference is strengthened for peripheral laggards.

The area is coordinated by Gianmarco Ottaviano (Professor of Economics, Bocconi University). Resident researchers working in this area are Giorgio Barba Navaretti (University of Milan), Giulia Felice (Politecnico di Milano), Emanuele Forlani (University of Pavia), Paolo Garella (University of Milan), and Anna Rosso (University of Insubria). Junior researcher is Tommaso Fonti.

2.3.2 Output

Papers

- Paolo E. Giordani, Alberto Petrucci and Alberto Franco Pozzolo: "Infrastructures and Productivity: A Country-Sector Panel Analysis", LdA WP no. 505, July 2025;
- Paolo E. Giordani, Francesco Nucci, Alberto Petrucci, Filomena Pietrovito and Alberto F. Pozzolo: "Export Market Participation and Interest Rates: the Role of Organizational Capital", LdA WP no. 509, December 2025;
- Emanuele Brancati, Francesco Nucci, Filomena Pietrovito and Alberto F. Pozzolo: "When Credit Bites: Financing Constraints and the Innovation-Export Link", LdA WP no. 508, December 2025;
- Sabrina Di Addario, Zhexin Feng and Michel Serafinelli: "Inventors' Coworker Networks and Innovation", LdA WP no. 497, October 2024;
- Mirko Draca, Max Nathan, Viet Nguyen-Tien, Juliana Oliveira-Cunha, Anna Rosso, Anna Valero: "The New Wave? The Role of Human Capital and STEM Skills in Technology Adoption in the UK", LdA WP no. 495, October 2024;
- Fabio Pieri, Massimiliano Vatiro: "Firm Hierarchy and the Market for Knowledge", LdA WP no. 482, August 2022; *Journal of Economics & Management Strategy*, 2024;
- Marco Compagnoni, Marco Grazzi, Fabio Pieri, and Chiara Tomasi: "Extended Producer Responsibility and Trade Flows in Waste: The Case of Batteries", LdA WP no. 488, October

- 2023; Environmental and Resource Economics, 88(1), 43–76, 2024;
- Andrew Clare, Carlos Manuel Pinheiro, Alberto Franco Pozzolo: “Do NEDs influence ESG corporate performance?”, LdA WP no.494, August 2024;
 - Giorgio Barba Navaretti, Matteo Bugamelli, Emanuele Forlani, Gianmarco Ottaviano: “It Takes (More Than) a Moment: Estimating Trade Flows with Superstar Exporters”, CEPR Discussion Paper - DP19110, May 2024;
 - Giuseppe Cavaliere, Graziano Moramarco, Alireza Naghavi: “Intellectual Property Rights and the Efficiency of International Production Networks: Evidence from the Automotive Industry”, LdA WP no. 492, January 2024.

2.3.3 Projects

Leonardo: LEAP (Programma Fornitori e le Politiche Industriali Italiane ed Europee)

Funding Institution: Leonardo S.p.A.

Start/End date: 2021 - 2024

LdA Researchers: Giorgio Barba Navaretti, Gianmarco Ottaviano, Fabiano Schivardi, Borisav Markovic, Tommaso Fonti, and Federico Pessina.

Goals: Our first goal involves analyzing the impact of the LEAP programme. The LEAP programme is an investment made by Leonardo aimed at reducing the dependency of its suppliers. Leonardo’s supply chain is extremely complex and consists primarily in Italian SMEs. Their small size, low exports, and dependency on Leonardo’s orders for their survival raised concerns around limited innovation and falling efficiency. The second goal of this project revolves around an analysis of the national and European defense industrial policies. The aim is to provide Leonardo with an in-depth understanding and framework of these policies. Using statistical matching techniques, the analysis shows LEAP’s positive effects on innovation, research, and governance.

Productivity and Non-Tariff Measures

Partners: Paris School of Economics (PSE); University of Paris-Dauphine-PSL; Università della Svizzera Italiana

Start/End date: 2018 - 2024

LdA Researchers: Giorgio Barba Navaretti, Lionel Fontagné, Giovanni Pica, Gianluca Orefice, Anna Rosso.

Goals: The aim of the project is to produce improved understanding of Non-Tariff Measures (NTM) and empirically testing their impact on international investment and trade, together with their effects on a variety of social and economic outcomes, including their impact on income and inequality. We analyze the NTM from the perspective of both protected and harmed individuals.

2.3.4 Dissemination

Conferences and Seminars

- “Global Challenges” International Workshop: “Industrial Policy and Trade Disruption”, 25-26th November 2024, SDA Bocconi. Organisers: Centro Studi Luca d’Agliano, BAFFI CAREFIN – Bocconi University, CEPR, and the Department of Economics, Management and Quantitative Methods (DEMM) – University of Milan in collaboration with the Department of Economics, Managements and Statistics (DEMS) – University of Milan Bicocca, the Department of Management, Economics and Industrial Engineering (DIG) – Politecnico di Milano, and the Department of Economics of the University of Insubria. Funding Institutions: UniCredit Foundation and Fondazione Compagnia di San Paolo as part of the “Global Challenges” network; Achille and Giulia Boroli Chair in European Studies – Bocconi University;
- At the Frontier: “Building Resilient Global Value Chains”, by Isabelle Mejean (Sciences Po), 1st June 2024, Festival Internazionale dell’Economia, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto.

3 Publications

3.3.1 Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano Development Studies Working Papers

The Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano publishes a series of working papers in Development Economics. Their publication is funded by the Bank of Italy. The Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano Development Studies Working Papers can be downloaded from the LdA website, www.dagliano.unimi.it, and are also available on the SSRN (Social Science Research Network) eLibrary. Tommaso Frattini is the editor of the series.

Since 1997, 275 of the manuscripts that have appeared in the Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano Development Working Papers series have been published, i.e. an average of 10 papers per year (see Table 2). Of these, 238 have appeared in refereed journals, while 29 have been published as chapters of edited volumes. To give an idea of the quality of the research output, in Table 2 we have reported information on the main outlets, and the number of articles which have been published in each journal.

To measure the impact of the different publications, we have used two well-known rankings. The first one has been assembled by the Tinbergen Institute in the Netherlands and assigns three possible grades to each journal. The top five, general interest journals (*American Economic Review*, *Econometrica*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Review of Economic Studies*) together with the *Journal of Finance*, have received a "AA" ranking. Top field journals and very good general interest journals appear under the "A" category, while second tier general interest journals and field journals appear in the "B" category. Overall, about 130 journals in economics, finance and business are ranked by the institute. The second ranking is the one proposed by Kalaitzidakis et al (2003)¹ in an article that appeared in the *Journal of the European Economic Association*. This study is based on a recursive impact factor methodology (see column 5, Table 1, page 1349). As shown by the table, the ranking proposed by the Tinbergen institute and the one by Kalaitzidakis et al (2003) are highly correlated.

Of the 246 papers which have appeared in refereed journals, 180 have been published in journals with rank B or above. While only 8 papers have been published in a top-five journal, 27 articles have appeared in leading general interest journals like the *Review of Economics and Statistics*, the *Journal of the European Economic Association* and the *European Economic Review*. 31 have been published in top field journals like the *Journal of Public Economics*, the *Journal of International Economics* and the *Journal of Development Economics*. This research output easily positions LdA as the leading research centre in Italy focusing on international trade and development economics, and as one of the leading centres in Europe specialising in this area. Besides carrying out cutting edge academic research, LdA has been involved in the active dissemination of research output in the policy arena. Several papers have been published in leading policy outlets like *Economic Policy*, the *World Bank Economic Review* and *World Development*.

¹ Kalaitzidakis P., T. P. Mamuneas and T. Stengos (2003): "Rankings of Academic Journals and Institutions in Economics" *Journal of the European Economic Association* 1, 1346-1366.

Table 2: LdA publications in refereed outlets: 1997- today

Journal	Tinbergen Ranking	JEEA Ranking	Publications number
American Economic Review	AA	1	3
Quarterly Journal of Economics	AA	5	1
Review of Economic Studies	AA	8	4
Review of Economics and Statistics	A	13	5
European Economic Review	A	14	3
Economic Journal	A	18	6
Journal of Public Economics	A	19	3
Journal of Economic Literature	A	20	1
Journal of Labor Economics	A	24	2
Rand Journal of Economics	A	26	1
Journal of International Economics	A	30	24
World Bank Economic Review	A	37	3
Journal of Urban Economics	A	46	1
Journal of Health Economics	A	71	1
Journal of the European Economic Association	A		7
Economic Theory	B	16	1
Scandinavian Journal of Economics	B	27	2
Journal of Financial Economics		28	1
Economic Inquiry	B	36	4
Journal of Development Economics	B	39	13
Canadian Journal of Economics	B	42	6
Economica	B	45	3
International Journal of Industrial Organization	B	47	1
Journal of Law and Economics	B	49	2
Oxford Economic Papers	B	53	2
World Development	B	55	8
Journal of Population Economics	B	61	4
Applied Economics	B	64	2
Scottish Journal of Political Economy	B	65	1
Oxford Review of Economic Policy	B	69	1
Regional Science and Urban Economics	B	72	3
World Economy	B	74	10
Small Business Economics	B	75	3
Review of World Economics	B	80	8
Economic Policy	B		4
Journal of Economic Growth	B		2
Industrial and Labor Relations Review	B		1
Labour Economics	B		8
Journal of Human Resources	A		2
Other Refereed Journals			88
Other Miscellaneous			29
Total			275

List of LdA working papers published in 2025

509 – *Export Market Participation and Interest Rates: the Role of Organizational Capital*

Paolo E. Giordani, Francesco Nucci, Alberto Petrucci, Filomena Pietrovito and Alberto F. Pozzolo

508 – *When Credit Bites: Financing Constraints and the Innovation–Export Link*

Emanuele Brancati, Francesco Nucci, Filomena Pietrovito and Alberto F. Pozzolo

507 – *Social Networks and Labor Market Outcomes: Occupation Matters*

Giovanna D’Adda, Jessica Gagate Miranda and Giovanni Righetto

506 – *Riders in the Smog: How Air Pollution Affects Workers in Urban Environments*

Giovanna D’Adda, Simone Ferro, Tommaso Frattini and Alessio Romarri

505 – *Infrastructures and Productivity: A Country-Sector Panel Analysis*

Paolo E. Giordani, Alberto Petrucci and Alberto Franco Pozzolo

504 – *Immigration and Adult Children’s Care for Elderly Parents: Evidence from Western Europe*

Andrea Berlanda, Elisabetta Lodigiani and Lorenzo Rocco

503 – *Fields and Foreign Lands: Pre-Industrial Climate Risk and International Migration*

Miriam Manchin, Alex Newnham and Elena Nikolova

502 – *The Effect of Air Purifiers in Schools*

Jacopo Bonan, Francesco Granella, Stefania Renna and Luis Sarmiento

501 – *Does Migrants’ Consumption of Cultural Goods Impact Their Economic Integration?*

Disclosing the Culture-to-Market Pathway

Salvatore Carrozzo, Elisabetta Lodigiani and Alessandra Venturini

3.3.2 Policy Reports & Policy Briefs

Immigrant Integration in Europe, by Tommaso Frattini with Gabriele Cugini, 9th Annual Report for CCA-LdA Migration Observatory, March 2025;

“*Smoothing the Path from Compulsory to Tertiary Education in Europe*”, Unicredit Foundation, January 2025;

Immigrant Integration in Europe, by Tommaso Frattini with Angela Dalmonte, 8th Annual Report for CCA-LdA Migration Observatory, March 2024.

3.3.3 European Economy. Banks, Regulation and the Real Sector

“**European Economy – Banks, Regulation, and the Real Sector**” is a journal to encourage an informed and fair debate among academics, institutional representatives, and bankers on the current banking regulation framework and its effects on banking activity and the real economy. It is resuming publication in 2021 thanks to the financial support of Fondazione Compagnia di San Paolo and Bank of Italy. Centro Studi Luca d’Agliano is the publisher of the journal.

The journal aims at being an outlet for research and policy-based pieces, combining the perspective of academia, policy making and operations. Special attention will be devoted to the link between financial markets and the real economy and how this is affected by regulatory measures. Each issue concentrates on a current theme, giving an appraisal of policy and regulatory measures in Europe and worldwide. Analysis at the forefront of the academic and institutional debate will be presented in a language accessible also to readers outside the academic world, such as government officials, practitioners and policy-makers.

Each issue of the journal “European Economy” will consist of: i) an **editorial section**, introducing the topic, its relevance and summarizing the key critical questions emerging in the pieces, and providing the reader with a birdseye view on the key numbers, regulatory measures and readings on the subject; ii) **articles**, generally written by prominent academics and representatives of institutions and banks. These will partly be position papers, partly pieces summarizing the main items of the academic and institutional debate.

List of EE issues published in 2021-2024

Central Banks Digital Currencies, by Giorgio Barba Navaretti, Giacomo Calzolari and Alberto Franco Pozzolo in “European Economy, Banks, Regulation, and the Real Sector”, Issue 2023/2024 (November 2024);

Open Banking, by Giorgio Barba Navaretti, Giacomo Calzolari and Alberto Franco Pozzolo in “European Economy, Banks, Regulation, and the Real Sector”, Issue 2022 (April 2023);

Sustainable Finance – Why and How?, by Giorgio Barba Navaretti, Giacomo Calzolari and Alberto Franco Pozzolo in “European Economy, Banks, Regulation, and the Real Sector”, Issue 2021-2 (April 2022);

Banking and Covid, by Giorgio Barba Navaretti, Giacomo Calzolari and Alberto Franco Pozzolo in “European Economy, Banks, Regulation, and the Real Sector”, Issue 2021-1 (May 2021).

Presentations and panel discussions 2021-2025

Francesco Papadia, Alberto Franco Pozzolo, and Imène Rahmouni-Rousseau: “The ECB’s Digital Euro and new operational framework: is there an overlap?” (chair: Rebecca Christie), Bruegel, Brussels, June 2, 2025;

Magda Bianco, Giacomo Calzolari, and Jan Ceysens (European Commission): “Open banking’s financial revolution: are we falling short?” (chair: Rebecca Christie), Bruegel, Brussels, 26th April 2023;

Thorsten Beck, Magda Bianco, Alberto Dalmaso, and Pier Carlo Padoan: “Inclusione ed equità: l’open banking ci salverà?” (chair: Alberto Pozzolo), 3rd June 2022, Festival Internazionale dell’Economia di Torino, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto;

Lorenzo Bini Smaghi, Manthos Delis, and Simona Viscardi: “Sustainable Finance. Why and How?” (chair: Debora Revoltella), 26th April 2022, European Investment Bank, Luxembourg (online);

Loriana Pelizzon and José Manuel Campa: “Banking and Covid” (chair: Thorsten Beck), 20th May 2021, Florence School of Banking and Finance (online).

4 Training at LdA

4.1 Scholarships and prizes

LdA devotes particular attention to training young students to acquire the background necessary for a professional career in development research, by providing them with financial assistance in the form of scholarships or by including them in research projects.

Scholarships

A yearly scholarship of 10.000 Euros, offered by Luca's family, has been awarded through the Fondazione Luigi Einaudi in Turin to young Italian graduates who wish to advance their studies in development economics. From 2006, thanks to the generous support of one of Luca's close friends, the scholarship has covered two annuities. From 2024, the scholarship is no longer offered.

Table 3 provides a complete list of the scholarships awarded in the past.

Prizes

The Centro Studi's annual prizes are awarded through Churchill College, University of Cambridge, and St. Antony's College, University of Oxford, to students displaying "ability in their studies, particular interest in the problems of developing countries, humanity and altruism".

A similar prize, assigned to a student from Sevenoaks School (Kent), was discontinued in 1994.

Cambridge (£. 500)

In 2025 the award was assigned to Nabil Faradis.

Past prizes were assigned to: C.M. Bramall (1986, Great Britain) and X.H. Zang (1986, China); S.V. De S. Gunaratne (1987, Sri Lanka) and L.Wang (1987, China); A. Basu (1988, India), H.L. Khong (1988, Malaysia) and M.Marcel (1988, Chile); Luis A.V. Catao (1989, Brazil), Lucia Hammer (1989, Great Britain) and Sue Szabo (1989, Canada); He Dong (1990, China), R.M. Rimmer (1990, Great Britain) and A.P. Woods (1990, Barbados); Pingyao Lai (1991, China), Xiao-Feng Liu (1991, China) and Asad Sayeed (1991, Pakistan); Giancarlo Spagnolo (1992, Italy); Anu Satyal (1992, India); Gangzhan Fu (1994, China); Samantha Gibson (1995, USA); Reehana Rifat Raza (1996, Pakistan); Khwima Lawrence Nthara (1997, Malawi); Grace P.C. Mugadza (1998, Zimbabwe); Martin Ruhs (1999, Austria); Sara Silvestri (2000, Italy); Rozana Salih (2001); Xutian Ma (2002, China); Yuantuo Guo (2003, China); Dominic Rohner (2004, Switzerland); Hui Wang (2005, China); Carmen L. Lacambra Segura (2006); Nazia Habib-Mintz (2007, Bangladesh); Osvaldo Gonzalez (2008-2009, USA); Manasa Patnam (2010, India); Kim Wagenaar (2012, Netherlands); Igor Lopes Rocha (2012, Brazil); Ivanka Mamic (2013, Australia and Croatia); Peng Zhang (2014, China); Raghendra KC (2015, Nepal); Tammy Chen (2016, Canadian and Taiwanese); Miriam Alvarado (2017, USA); Nadjim Sarwary (2018, Germany); Adham Khudaykulov (2019, Uzbekistan); Patience Spinoza Okuku (2020, Uganda); Chunwen Xiao (2021, China); Jamie Moore (2023, United Kingdom); Karry Donghua Jiao (2023, US/Chinese); Razan Amine (2024, Lebanon); Nabil Faradis (2025, Indonesia).

Oxford (£. 500)

The prize for 2025 was awarded to Yaxin Deng of the Balliol College.

Past prizes were assigned to: J.R. Scott (1985, Great Britain); J. Hoddinot (1986, Canada); Solomon Soquar (1987, Ethiopia); Jerome Booth (1988, Great Britain); Mamta Murthi (1989, India); Stephen Grant Devereux (1990 ex-South Africa; permanent resident in the UK); Nomaan Majid (1991, Pakistan); Lucia da Corta (1992, USA and Ireland); Roberta Tibana (1993, Mozambique); Riccardo Maggi (1994, Italy); Sabina Alkire (1995, USA); Caterina Ruggieri Laderchi (1996, Italy); Nancy Collins (1997, USA); Mark Wu (1998 USA), Diego Angemi (1999, Italy); Sebastian Silva-Leander and Maria Lugo (2000); Jesse Kharbanda (2001); César Calvo (2002, Peru); Raphael Espinoza (2004, France); Neha Kumra (2005 India); Safya Krutikova (2006); Bet Caeyers (2007); Abhijeet Singh (2008, India); Aidan Coville (2009, South Africa and USA); Miguel Sarzosa Castillo (2010, Colombia); Rachel Cassidy (2011, Great Britain); Rossa O’Keefe-O’Donovan (2012, USA), Matthew Butler- Adam (2013); Matthew James Dawes (2014, Great Britain); Katherine Stapleton (2015, Great Britain), Louis Graham and Michelle Rao (2016); Vatsal Khandelwal and Neal Barsch (2017); Pieter Joseph Sayer (2018, Great Britain/Netherlands); Yannick Markhof (2019, Germany); Ben Brunckhorst (2020, Australia); Nelli Vanninen (2021, Finland); Krittika Ray (2022, India); Krittika Ray (2022, India) and Oliver Hanney (2022, United Kingdom); Magnus Eldrup (2023, Denmark) and Shagnik Chakravarty (2023, India); Adithya Manoj Mohan (2024, UK); Yaxin Deng (2025, China).

Table 3. LdA scholarships

Year	Recipient	Research Project	Hosting institution	Present affiliation
2023	Eugenia Maria Frezza	Intimate Partner Violence and Gender Norms	Trinity College Dublin, Irish Research Council	Trinity College Dublin
2022	Diana Volpe	Legitimacy, Discourse, and Power: Italy-Libya Relations, and the case of the Mediterranean	University of Oxford	PhD student in Economics, University of Oxford
2021	Marco Castelluccio	Refugee centres and housing prices: evidence from Italy	University College London	University College London, PhD candidate in Economics
2020	Anna Vitali	Tackling Youth Unemployment: Evidence from a Labour Market Experiment in Uganda	University College London	University College London, PhD candidate in Economics
2019	Giulio Schinaia	Social protection programmes in low- and middle-income countries	University of Oxford	University of Oxford, PhD candidate in Economics
2018	Alexia Delfino	Labour, development and entrepreneurship	London School of Economics	Bocconi University
2017	Sara Rizzo	Globalisation, growth, migration and economic, political and social transformation processes	London School of Economics	UNICEF
2016	Anna Piccarda Lazzarin	The Pluralisation of Social Justice in Indian Higher Education	University of Oxford	J-PAL
2015	Zelda Brutti	The empirical analysis of public education policies, with particular focus on Columbia	European University Institute	Pompeu Fabra University
2014	Greta Semplici	A Displaced Life: the Resilience Challenge	University of Oxford	European University Institute

2013	Viviana Perego	Impact of Trade Liberalization on the Well-Being in Rural Area Workers: Micro-level Evidence from DR-CAFTA Implementation in a Central American Country	University of Oxford	World Bank
2012	Federico Tagliati	Schooling and Health Investments in Developing Countries	University College London	Bank of Spain
2011	Paolo Falco	Occupational Choices and Income Generation in African Labour Markets	University of Oxford	OECD
2010	Marta Serena Marzi	The Multidimensional Measuring of Economic Development in Developing Countries	University of Oxford	Oxford Policy Management
2009	Antonio Miscio	Infrastructure Investment in Developing Countries: Bridging New Economic Geography and Political Economy	London School of Economics	Columbia University
2008	Lea Cassar	The Aid System under Asymmetric Information: Analysis and Policy Recommendation	University of Oxford	University of Regensburg
2008	Lucia Rizzica	Brain Drain and Development	University College London	Bank of Italy
2007	Antonio Andreoni	Institutional Economic Analysis, Social Capital and Economics of Social Networks	University of Cambridge	University of London
2006	Federica Liberini	Infrastructural Gap and Fiscal Policy	University of Warwick	KOF-ETH Zürich, Postdoctoral Researcher
2005	Laura Anselmi	Socio-economic Causes of Child Labour	University of Oxford	London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
2004	Giulia Pietrangeli	Theory of collective action in International Trade Negotiations	London School of Economics	European Union External Action Service
2003	Luciano Ciravegna	Automotive Sector Modernization in Developing Countries: Global and Regional Trends	University of Oxford	King's College, International Development Institute
2001	Francesco Rampa	Technological Innovation and Partners of Trade: The Case of Developing Countries	University of Oxford	European Centre for Development Policy Management
2000	Mattia Romani	Poverty Dynamics and its Determinants in Cote d'Ivoire	University of Oxford	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
1999	Diego Angemi	Child Labour and Technological Advances	University of Oxford	UNICEF
1998	Ilaria Caetani	The Problems of Development in Rural Sub-Saharan Africa	London School of Economics	Asian Development Bank
1997	Andrea Finicelli	An Analysis of International Capital Markets	University of Oxford	Bank of Italy
1995	Renato Grelle	Investment Under Uncertainty and Irreversibility of Capital Adjustment Policies in Chile in the 1980s	University of Oxford	European Centre for Development Policy Management
1994	Sabina Di Addario	Estimating the Economic Costs of Conflict: An Examination of the Two-gap Estimation Model for the Case of Nicaragua	University of Oxford	Bank of Italy
1993	Gabriella Giacometti	Outward Oriented Developing Countries and Growth	University of Warwick	
1992	Paolo Craviolatti	The Impact of the Green Revolution in Sub-Saharan Africa	University of Oxford	UK Department for International Development
1990	Marina Moretti	The Behaviour of the Financial System under Hyperinflation and Structural Adjustment	University of Oxford	International Monetary Fund
1988	Francesco Daveri	Time Inconsistency and Trade Liberalization Policies in LDCs	University of Oxford	University of Parma

1987	Roberta Rabbellotti	Problems Associated with the Transfer and the Development of Advanced Technologies in Developing Countries	University of Oxford	University of Pavia
1986	Chiara Tufarelli	Foreign Debt and Investment Evaluation in Developing Countries	University of Cambridge	Studio Legale Ristuccia & Tufarelli
1985	Giorgio Barba Navaretti	Control Sharing Foreign Investments in Developing Countries	University of Oxford	University of Milan and LdA

Table 4. LdA training activity - Funded projects

Name of Researcher	Type	Country of Origin	Man/ Month	Start Date	End Date
Globalisation, Investment and Services Trade (GIST)					
Markus Kelle	Experienced	Germany	9	01/07/2011	31/03/2012
Sophie Hatte	Early Stage	France	12	01/04/2011	31/03/2012
Daniel Horgos	Experienced	Germany	9	01/10/2009	30/06/2010
Transnationality of Migrants (TOM)					
Anna Maria Mayda	Experienced	Italy (US)	12	01/09/2007	31/08/2008
Juan Gallego	Early Stage	Colombia	16	01/05/2008	31/08/2009
Max Steinhardt	Early Stage	Germany	24	01/05/2008 01/02/2009	31/10/2008 31/07/2010
Raluca Prelipceanu	Early Stage	Romania	12	01/09/2008	31/08/2009
Trade preferences and the role of institutional quality in economic integration (TRARIQ)					
Miriam Manchin	Post-doc	Hungary	12	01/11/2007	31/10/2008
Trade, Industrialisation and Development (TID)					
Natalie Chen	Post-doc	UK	3	01/07/2006	30/09/2006
Klaus Desmet	Post-doc	Germany	3	01/07/2006	30/09/2006
Miriam Manchin	Post-doc	Hungary	12	15/09/2005	14/09/2006
Anne Celia Disdier	Post-doc	France	15	01/07/2004	31/10/2005
Foreign Direct Investment and the Multinational Corporation: New Theories and Evidence (TMR)					
Dieter Urban		Germany	33	01/06/1999	01/03/2002
Henrik Braconier		Sweden	3	01/09/2001	31/11/2001
George Siotis		Greece	3	26/06/2000	25/09/2000
Total	15 Researchers		178		

4.2 Post and pre-doctoral fellows

Within the several funded projects in which it participates, LdA has undertaken an intense training activity. Since 2000, a number of experienced researchers, post-doctoral and doctoral fellows have been hired and actively contribute to its projects, for a total of 178 men/months (see Table 4). Training has also taken place in the summer schools and doctoral conferences organised by LdA. 744 students have participated in LdA summer schools since 2003, with 203 of them coming from developing countries. The two editions of the Riccardo Faini conference were attended by 62 doctoral students, 12 coming from developing countries. Moreover, several Ph.D. students of the Doctorate of Economics of the University of Milan have been working at LdA: Rosario Crinò, Anna De Paoli, Valeria Groppo, Elisabetta Lodigiani, Marcella Nicolini, Gianluca Orefice, Angelica Salvi, Maria Teresa Trentinaglia, Fatma Usheva, Alessandra Tucci.

4.3 Summer Schools in International and Development Economics

A series of yearly Summer Schools was first established in 2003 by the Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano, jointly with the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) and the Department of Economics of the Universities of Milan and Turin.

They are open to 30-40 doctorate and post-doctorate students in economics and related disciplines from all countries, who are selected from a pool of 90-120 applicants by an international selection committee. 744 students have participated in LdA Summer Schools since 2003, with 205 of them coming from developing countries.

From 2003 to 2006, the Summer Schools were organised and funded within the activities of the EC Research Training Network on “Trade, Industrialisation and Development (TID)”. From 2007 to 2010, as part of the Marie Curie Research Training Network on “Transnationality of Migrants (TOM)”, and in 2011 within the Marie Curie Initial Training Network on “Globalisation, Investment and Services Trade (GIST)”. From 2012 to 2015, the summer schools were jointly organised with the Paolo Baffi Centre on Central Banking and Financial Regulation (Bocconi University). From 2016 to 2022, the Laboratory for Anti-Poverty Policy (LEAP) at the Bocconi University has been a scientific partner together with the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), DEMM – University of Milan, DEMS – University of Milan Bicocca, Cattolica University, Vilfredo Pareto Doctoral Program in Economics of the University of Turin. In 2022, a new scientific partner, the International Growth Centre (IGC), funded the participation in the summer school of two young researchers from its international network.

The Twenty-Third Summer School in International and Development Economics on “Political Economy and Development” took place from 3rd to 6th September 2024 at Castello di Gargonza (Tuscany, Italy). Claudio Ferraz (University of British Columbia, PUC-Rio, and NBER) and Sandra Sequeira (London School of Economics and CEPR) presented their recent works. 34 Ph.D students, young researchers and post-doc researchers from all over the world working in the field of development and international economics attended the Summer School. Table 5 provides a complete list of LdA Summer Schools past editions.

Table 5. LdA training activity – Summer schools

Title	Professor	Affiliation	Dates	Participants	
					From developing countries
Geo-economics, Natural Resources, and Development					
	Matthieu Couttenier	Ecole Normale Supérieure de Lyon and CEPR		30	2
	Mathias Thoenig	University of Lausanne and CEPR	2-5 Sept. 2025		
Political Economy and Development					
	Claudio Ferraz	University of British Columbia, PUC-Rio and NBER		34	7
	Sandra Sequeira	London School of Economics and CEPR	3-6 Sept. 2024		
Gender, Labour and Development					
	Taryn Dinkelman	University of Notre Dame and CEPR		31	4
	Rachel Ngai	Imperial College London, LSE and CEPR	4-7 Sept. 2023		
Conflict, Social Cohesion, and Development					
	Salma Mousa	Yale University		27	6
	Dominic Rohner	University of Lausanne and CEPR	5-8 Sept. 2022		
Investment Choices in Developing Economies					
	Ahmed Mushfiq	Yale University and CEPR		30	9
	Mobarak		29 Aug. - 1 Sept. 2021		
	Cynthia Kinnan	Tufts University			
Investment Choices in Developing Economies (online)					
	Ahmed Mushfiq	Yale University and CEPR		19	3
	Mobarak		4 Sept. 2020		
	Cynthia Kinnan	Tufts University			
Social Norms: Gender and Development					
	Leonardo Bursztyn	University of Chicago		34	7
	David Yanagizawa-Drott	University of Zurich and CEPR	15-18 Sept. 2019		
Household, Labour Markets and Development: a Structural Approach					
	Imran Rasul	University College London		30	7
	Alessandra Voena	University of Chicago	3-6 Sept. 2018		
Family, Human Capital and Development					
	Nava Ashraf	London School of Economics		31	10
	Marie Baland	University of Namur	30 Aug.- 2 Sept. 2017		
Institutions, Politics and Development					
	Kaivam Munshi	University of Cambridge		29	5
	Rohini Pande	Harvard Kennedy School	6-9 Sept. 2016		
Risks and Policy Responses in Developing Countries					
	Robin Burgess	London School of Economics and CEPR		25	10
	Alessandra Tarozzi	Universitat Pompeu Fabra and Barcelona GSE	8-11 Sept. 2015		
Investment, Saving and Wellbeing in Developing Countries					
	Orazio Attanasio	University College London, IFS, NBER and CEPR		29	7
	Pascaline Dupas	Stanford University, BREAD, CEPR, NBER, CEGA, JPAL and IPA	10-13 June 2014		

Gravity Rules in the Modern World Economy

Keith Head	Sauder School of Business, University of British Columbia and CEPR	11-14 Sept. 2013	30	14
Thierry Mayer	SciencesPo, CEPR and CEPR			

Cities, Productivity and Migration

Gianmarco Ottaviano	London School of Economics, Bocconi University, CEPR, and LdA	27-30 June 2012	29	7
Diego Puga	Madrid Institute for Advanced Studies (IMDEA) and CEPR			

The Political Economy of Trade in Services

Kishore S. Gawande	Bush School of Government, Texas A&M University			
Emanuel Ornelas	London School of Economics and CEPR	18-21 Sept. 2011	35	11

Spatial and temporal patterns in international migration. Temporary and return migration.**Ghettos and ethnic enclaves**

Christian Dustmann	University College London and CEPR			
Jacob L. Vigdor	University of California, San Diego	5-8 Sept. 2010	30	7

Outsourcing and Migration

Giovanni Peri	University of California, Davis James			
E. Rauch	University of California, San Diego	30 Aug. - 2 Sept. 2009	39	14

International Migration and the Sending Country

Gordon Hanson	University of California, San Diego and NBER			
Frédéric Docquier	Catholic University of Louvain and NFSR and NFSR	24-27 Aug. 2008	43	12

International Migration and the Host Country

Barry Chiswick	University of Florence			
Massimo Livi Bacci	University of Illinois at Chicago	9-12 Sept. 2007	39	12
Giovanni Facchin	University of Milano and LdA			

Outsourcing and International Fragmentation of Production: Implications for Developing Countries

Kei-Mu Yi	Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia	11-14 June 2006	36	15
Giorgo Barba Navaretti	University of Milan and LdA			

Trade, Innovation and Technology Diffusion: Implications for Developing Countries

Jonathan Eaton	New York University and NBER			
Francesco Caselli	London School of Economics, NBER and CEPR	4-8 Sept. 2005	37	13

The Microeconomic Effects of Trade and Trade Policy: The Perspective of Developing Countries

Alan Winters	The World Bank and CEPR			
James Tybout	Pennsylvania State University and NBER	5-8 Sept. 2004	39	12

Political Economy of Trade Policy and Development: Theories and Institutions

Bernard Hoekman	The World Bank and CEPR	27-31 Aug. 2003	39	11
Thierry Verdier	Paris-Jourdan Sciences Economiques and CEPR			

Total**744 205**

5 Luca d'Agliano Lectures in Development Economics

The Luca d'Agliano Lectures are organised each year also thanks to the generous support of Fondazione Compagnia di San Paolo of Turin. The aim of these Lectures, which have always been very successful, is to favour the diffusion of the ideas of some of the most important scholars in the field to a non-specialised audience. They also represent an important opportunity for bringing together members of the Scientific Committee of the Centro Studi and many of its former scholars. Past editions of the Luca d'Agliano lectures were all conceived and introduced by Riccardo Faini. In 2007 the Fifth Lecture on “Does Outsourcing Change Everything?” by *Paul R. Krugman* (Nobel Prize in Economics, 2008) was, in his memory, opened by Jaime de Melo.

The Twenty-Third Luca d'Agliano Lecture by Edward L. Glaeser (Fred and Eleanor Glimp Professor of Economics, Harvard University) on: “Cities and the Housing Crisis” took place on 29th May 2025 at the Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto (Turin). Since 2023 the Luca d'Agliano Lecture has been organised within the framework of the *Festival Internazionale dell'Economia* di Torino. In this lecture, Professor Glaeser outlined that urbanization continues to provide enormous economic opportunity throughout the world, but too many people remain isolated in cities and lose the benefits of interaction. Poor children in the wealthy world live relatively segregated lives that are cut off from the benefits of the city; female entrepreneurs in the poor world face barriers limiting economic cooperation. High housing costs make it hard for outsiders to find opportunity in the city. The ability to build housing and infrastructure is crucial to ensure that our cities remain open to outsiders and change more generally.

Table 6 provides a complete list of LdA Lectures past editions.

Table 6. Luca d'Agliano Lectures

Title	Speaker	Affiliation	Date
Twenty-Third Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Cities and the Housing Crisis"	Edward L. Glaeser	Harvard University	29 May 2025
Twenty-Second Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Regulating Market Power and Big Tech on the Two Sides of the Atlantic"	Thomas Philippon	Stern School of Business, New York University	31 May 2024
Twenty-First Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Offshoring, Reshoring, and the Future of International Trade"	Elhanan Helpman	Harvard University	3 June 2023
Twentieth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "The New Breed of Tyranny for the Globalized World"	Sergei Guriev	Provost, Sciences Po, Paris	27 January 2023
Nineteenth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "De-Globalization? Global Value Chains in the Post-Covid-19 World "	Pol Antràs	Robert G. Ory Professor of Economics, Harvard University	2 June 2022
Eighteenth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Inequality and the (mis)use of Talent"	Oriana Bandiera	Sir Anthony Atkinson Chair in Economics, LSE	27 November 2020
Seventeenth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "The Global Political Consequences of China's Trade Boom"	Gordon Hanson	Pacific Economic Cooperation Chair in International Economic Relations and Director of the Center on Global Transformation, UC San Diego	8 November 2019
Sixteenth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Is Multilateralism Dead?: Trade in the Era of Trump?"	Robert W. Staiger	Roth Family Distinguished Professor in the Arts and Sciences and Professor of Economics, Dartmouth College	19 October 2018
Fifteenth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Culture, Corruption and the Law: Challenges for a Globalizing World?"	Kaushik Basu	Professor of Economics and Carl Marks Professor of International Studies, Cornell University; Former Chief Economist and Senior Vice President, The World Bank	23 November 2017
Fourteenth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Building African Cities"	J. Vernon Henderson	School Professor of Economic Geography, London School of Economics and Political Sciences	2 November 2016
Thirteenth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Religion, Politics, and Development: Is Islam a Special Issue?"	Jean-Philippe Platteau	Professor Emeritus, University of Namur	20 November 2015
Twelfth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "The Idea of Antipoverty Policy"	Martin Ravallion	Edmond D. Villani Professor of Economics, Georgetown University	15 December 2014
Eleventh Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Globalization and Industrialization in the Long Run"	Kevin H. O'Rourke	All Souls College, University of Oxford University	6 November 2013
Tenth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "State, Effectiveness and Economic Development"	Timothy Besley	London School of Economics and Political Science	22 November 2012
Ninth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "The Role of Cultural Diversity in Growth and Development: What do Economists Have to Say about This"	Thierry Verdier	Paris School of Economics	28 November 2011
Eight Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "The Future of Aid"	Nemat (Minouche) Shafik	Permanent Secretary, Department for International Development	7 December 2010

Seventh Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "The Dollar in Doubt"

Barry Eichengreen George C. Pardee and Helen N. Pardee Professor of
Economics and Professor of Political Science, University of
California, Berkeley 4 December 2009

Sixth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Accelerating Economic Growth in Africa"

Anthony J. Venable Professor of Economics, Oxford University;
Director, Oxford Centre for the Analysis of
Resource Rich Economies 17 October 2008

Fifth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Does outsourcing change everything?"

Paul R. Krugman Professor of Economic and International Affairs,
Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International
Affairs, Princeton University; Nobel Prize in
Economics 2008 11 June 2007

Fourth Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Employment and Development"

François Bourguignon Chief Economist and Senior Vice President, World
Bank; Professor of Economics, École des Hautes
Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris 22 May 2006

Third Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Globalization and Underdevelopment in the Pre-Modern Third World"

Jeffrey G. Williamson Laird Belle Professor of Economics, Harvard
University 31 March 2006

Second Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Rethinking Economic Growth in Developing Countries"

Dani Rodrik John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard
University 8 October 2004

First Luca d'Agliano Lecture: "Globalisation and the Poor"

Pranab Bardhan Professor of Economics, University of California,
Berkeley; Chief Editor, Journal of Development
Economics 10 June 2003

6 List of conferences and seminars

The Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano organises its conferences and seminars with the aim of encouraging exchange amongst Italian researchers in development and international economics and of inviting distinguished international scholars. Several conferences and seminars have been organised in collaboration with other Italian and international institutions.

The complete list of conferences and seminars organised in 2025 is set out below. Details on the dissemination activities can be found under the research programmes and in the remainder of the Report. Further information on past events can be found at www.dagliano.unimi.it.

Conferences

[2nd -5th September 2025, Castello di Gargonza, Tuscany](#)

Twenty-Fourth Summer School in International and Development Economics: "Geo-economics, Natural Resources, and Development", Mathieu Couttenier (Ecole Normale Supérieure de Lyon and CEPR) and Mathias Thoenig (University of Lausanne and CEPR)

[20th-21st June 2025, University of Bari](#)

"Firms, Labor Market and Development" Workshop

[2nd June 2025, Festival Internazionale dell'Economia, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto](#)

"Pecore nere? Le seconde generazioni in Italia"

[29th May 2025, Festival Internazionale dell'Economia, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto](#)

Twenty-Third Luca d'Agliano Lecture in Development Economics: Edward L. Glaeser (Fred and Eleanor Glimp Professor of Economics, Harvard University) on "Cities and the Housing Crisis"

[13th May 2025, Sciences Po Paris](#)

Report Launch – 9th Migration Observatory Report: "Immigrant Integration in Europe"

[12th May 2025, University of Milan](#)

BOnD Seminar – Between Origin and Destination: "Socio-economic integration of first and second generations in Europe"

[3rd-4th April 2025, University of Milano Bicocca](#)

International Workshop: "Discrimination, Social Inclusion and Development"

[24th March 2025, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin](#)

Migration Observatory – 9th Annual Conference and Presentation of the Annual Report

LdA-CCA "Migration Observatory" Seminar Series

In 2016 LdA started organising, jointly with the Collegio Carlo Alberto in Turin, a new research seminar series within the activities of the "Migration Observatory".

5th November 2025, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto

Sara Signorelli (École polytechnique – CREST) on: “The Making of a Ghetto: Place-Based Policies, Labeling, and Impacts on Neighborhoods and Individuals”

7th October 2025, Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto

Migration Observatory seminar: Olivier Marie (Erasmus School of Economics) on: “From Tweets to Ballots: Refugee Inflows and Natives”

Research Seminar Series on “Global Challenges”

Since September 2011, LdA has been organising a new research seminar series on “Global Challenges” jointly with the Paolo Baffi Centre on Central Banking and Financial Regulation (Bocconi University), the Department of Economics, Management and Quantitative Methods (University of Milan), the Dipartimento di Economia, Metodi Quantitativi e Strategie di Impresa of (University of Milan Bicocca) and the Dipartimento di Ingegneria Gestionale (Politecnico di Milano). In 2022, the Department of Economics of the University of Insubria joined the GC research seminar series. This initiative has been supported by UniCredit Foundation and Fondazione Compagnia di San Paolo. It is coordinated by Anna Rosso (University of Insubria).

6th November 2025, University of Milan

Clément Imbert (SciencePo) on: “Floating population: migration with(out) family and Chinese economic development”

9th October 2025, University of Milan

Pia Pinger (University of Cologne) on: “Educational Inequalities and Mental Models of School Success”

18th September 2025, online

Seda Ertaç (Koc University) on: “Exposure to Competitive Performance Environments and Willingness to Compete”

27th March 2025, University of Milan

Jonas Hjort (University College London and University of Oslo) on: “Measuring and Decomposing Bias: Large Theory and Evidence from Corruption Complaints in Peru”

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