Curriculum Vitae

Andrea Ascani

Current appointment

Since April 2020 Assistant Professor of Applied Economics – Gran Sasso Science Institute

(GSSI), L'Aquila, Italy

2017-2021 Visiting Fellow - Department of Geography and Environment, London

School of Economics (Host: Prof. S. Iammarino)

Previous positions

Jan 2017-Mar 2020 Assistant Professor of Economic Geography (tenured) – Department of

Human Geography and Spatial Planning, Utrecht University (under Prof. R.

Boschma)

2014-2016 LSE Fellow – Department of Geography and Environment, London School

of Economics (Mentor: Prof. H. Overman)

2014-2016 Research Officer on project: Joint Programming Initiative Urban Europe

"Resilient Cities", funded by the UK ESRC) - Department of Geography

and Environment, London School of Economics

2011-2013 Research Assistant on project: EU FP7 Framework "SEARCH" -

Department of Geography and Environment, London School of

Economics

Visiting appointments

Mar 2020 Department of Methods and Models for the Economy, Territory and

Finance – Sapienza University of Rome (Host: Prof. F. Celata)

Feb-Mar 2019 Department of Economics and Law – Sapienza University of Rome (Host:

Prof. E. Basile)

Jun 2018 Department of Strategy and Innovation – Copenhagen Business School

May 2018 Department of Sociology – University of Milan Bicocca (Host: Prof. L.

Resmini)

Apr-Jul 2016 Luskin School of Public Affairs – University of California Los Angeles

(UCLA) (Host: Prof. M. Storper)

Education

Oct 2011-Feb2016	PhD in Economic Geography - Department of Geography and			
	Environment, London School of Economics (Supervisors: Prof. S.			
	Iammarino and Prof. R. Crescenzi)			
2009-2010	MSc in Local Economic Development, with Distinction - Department of			
	Geography and Environment, London School of Economics			
2007-2008	Laurea Specialistica in Economic and Social Sciences for International			
	Cooperation and Development, with 110 cum laude - Sapienza University of			
	Rome			
2007	Erasmus Exchange Student – University of Geneva			
2003-2006	Laurea Triennale in Development Economics and International			
	Cooperation, with 110 cum laude - Sapienza University of Rome			

Published journal articles

- 1. Ascani A., Faggian A., Montresor S. and Palma A., 2021. Mobility in times of pandemics: Evidence on the spread of Covid19 in Italy's labour market areas. *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics* 58, 444-454.
- 2. Ascani A., Faggian A. and Montresor S., 2021. The geography of COVID-19 and the structure of local economies: The case of Italy. *Journal of Regional Science* 61(2), 407-441.
- 3. Ascani A. and Gagliardi L., 2020. Asymmetric spillover effects from MNE investment. *Journal of World Business* (55)6.
- 4. Ascani A., Bettarelli L., Resmini L. and Balland P., 2020. Global networks, local specialisation and regional patterns of innovation. *Research Policy* (49)8.
- 5. Kleineick J., Ascani A. and Smit M., 2020. Multinational investments across Europe: A multilevel analysis. *Review of Regional Research* (40), 67-105.
- 6. Ascani A. Balland P. and Morrison A., 2020 Heterogeneous foreign direct investment and local innovation in Italian provinces. *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics* 53, 388-401.
- 7. Ascani A. and Iammarino S., 2018. Multinational enterprises, service outsourcing and regional structural change. *Cambridge Journal of Economics* 46(2), 1585-1611.
- 8. Ascani A., 2018. The takeover selection decisions of multinational enterprises: Empirical evidence from European target firms. *Journal of Economic Geography* 18(6), 1227-1252.
- 9. Ascani A., Crescenzi R. and Iammarino S., 2017. The geography of foreign investments in the EU neighbourhood. *Tijdschrift voor Economische en Sociale Geografie* 108(1), 76-91.
- 10. Ascani A., Crescenzi R. and Iammarino S., 2016. Economic institutions and the location strategies of European multinationals in their geographic neighborhood. *Economic Geography* 92(4), 401-429.
- 11. Ascani A., Crescenzi R. and Iammarino S., 2016. What drives European multinationals to the EU neighbouring countries? A mixed methods analysis of Italian investment strategies. *Environment and Planning C* 34(4), 656-675.
- 12. Ascani A. and Gagliardi L., 2015. Inward FDI and local innovative performance. An empirical investigation on Italian provinces. Review of Regional Research 35, 29-47.

Other publications

- Ascani A. and Gagliardi L., 2018. Spillover effects of foreign direct investment: New evidence from Italy. In Bellandi M., Biagi B., Faggian A., Marrocu E. and Usai S. (Eds), Regional Development Trajectories Beyond the Crisis – Percorsi di Sviluppo Regionale Oltre la Crisi. AISRe Conference Volume 2018, Franco Angeli.
- 2. Ascani A., Prenzel P. and Smit M., 2018. Brexit en de Britse huizenmarkt. Geografie, 8.
- 3. Ascani A., 2017. Book review: European mobility in times of crisis: The new context of European South-North migration. *Tijdschrift voor Economische en Sociale Geografie* 108(6), 885-886.
- 4. Ascani A., Crescenzi R. and Iammarino S., 2013. La geografia degli investimenti delle imprese multinazionali nel vicinato dell'Unione Europea. *Annali del Dipartimento di Metodi e Modelli per l'Economia, il Territorio e la Finanza 2012-2013*, Sapienza University of Rome, Patron Editore, Bologna.

Invited speaker to research seminars and talks

Sep 2020	Research Seminar of the Department of Business and Management – LUISS Guido Carli University
Apr 2019	Research Seminar of the Department of Economics and Management – University of Pisa
Nov 2018	Economics Seminar – Ca' Foscari University of Venice
Sep 2018	The Geography of Environment, Resilience and Innovation Workshop – University of Turin
Jun 2018	Research seminar of the Department of Strategy and Innovation – Copenhagen Business School
Mar 2017	Seminar in Economic Geography – Sapienza University of Rome
Feb 2017	Urban Future Lecture – Utrecht University
Dec 2016	LSE Public Lecture «Britain and Europe : Towards Brexit?» - Brussels, Belgium.

Selected conferences

Jun-Jul 2021	Academy of International Business Annual Meeting 2021 (online)
Nov 2020	67 th Annual North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International (Webconference)
Sep 2020	Associazione Italiana di Scienze Regionali - XLI Conferenza Scientifica Annuale (Webconference)
Jan 2020	5th Geography of Innovation Conference, Stavanger, Norway
Sep 2019	Associazione Italiana di Scienze Regionali - XL Conferenza Scientifica Annuale, GSSI, L'Aquila, Italy
Jun 2019	22 nd Uddevalla Symposium, GSSI, L'Aquila, Italy

Jan 2019	XVII Annual Workshop of the Societá Italiana di Economia e Politica Industriale (SIEPI)
Oct 2018	International Business, Economic Geography and Innovation (iBegin) Conference 2018, Temple University, Philadelphia, USA.
Sep 2018	Associazione Italiana di Scienze Regionali - XXXIX Conferenza Annuale, Bolzano, Italy
Jun 2018	Regional Studies Association 2018, Universitá della Svizzera Italiana, Lugano, Switzerland
Jan-Feb 2018	4th Geography of Innovation Conference, University of Barcelona, Spain
Dec 2017	International Business, Economic Geography and Innovation (iBegin) Conference 2017, Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy
Jun 2017	Druid Conference 2017, New York University, USA
Nov 2016	63rd Annual North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International, Minneapolis, USA
May 2016	1st Annual Workshop on Regional Economic Development and Innovation, UCLA, USA
Apr 2016	Association of American Geographers (AAG) Annual Meeting 2016, San Francisco, USA
Nov 2015	62 nd Annual North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International, Portland, USA
Jun 2015	Academy of International Business Conference 2015, Bangalore, India
Nov 2014	Regional Studies Association Winter Conference 2014, London, UK
Sep 2013	IV EUGEO Congress, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy
Aug 2013	53rd ERSA Congress, University of Palermo, Italy
Apr 2013	XIV April International Academic Conference on Economic and Social Development, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia
Mar 2013	Workshop on Innovation, Productivity and Growth in Italy, University of Calabria, Italy

Reviewer activity for scientific journals (in alphabetical order)

- 1. Advances in Strategic Management
- 2. Annals in Regional Science
- 3. Applied Geography
- 4. Australian Journal of Management
- 5. Critical Perspectives on International Business
- 6. Economia e Politica Industriale
- 7. Economic Bulletin

- 8. Economic Geography
- 9. Economic Modelling
- 10. Economic Systems
- 11. Economics and Business Letters
- 12. Economics of Innovation and New Technology
- 13. European Journal of Development Research
- 14. Growth and Change
- 15. Industrial and Corporate Change
- 16. Industry and Innovation
- 17. International Business Review
- 18. International Journal of Knowledge Management Studies
- 19. Italian Economic Journal
- 20. Journal of Economic Geography
- 21. Journal of Economic Policy Reform
- 22. Journal of Economic Surveys
- 23. Journal of Geographical Systems
- 24. Journal of Regional Science
- 25. Journal of World Business
- 26. Letters in Spatial and Resource Sciences
- 27. Multinational Business Review
- 28. Papers in Regional Science
- 29. Production Planning and Control
- 30. Regional Studies
- 31. Research Policy
- 32. Rivista Geografica Italiana
- 33. Structural Change and Economic Dynamics
- 34. Technological Forecasting and Social Change
- 35. The Extractive Industries and Societies
- 36. Tijdschrift voor Economische en Sociale Geografie

Scholarships, grants and awards

2018	Innovational Research Incentive Scheme VENI, granted by the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO)
2018	CERUP Young Investigator Training Programme Award, awarded by the Italian Association of Banking Foundations and Saving Banks (ACRI)
2017	Copenhagen Business School Award for the best paper written by a young scholar in International Business, at the European International Business Academy (EIBA) conference 2017, joint with L. Gagliardi
2011-2014	Doctoral Training Centre Studentship, funded by the UK Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)
2011-2014	Advanced Quantitative Methods Enhanced Stipend, funded by the UK Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)

2009-2010 Borsa di perfezionamento all'estero, awarded by Sapienza University of

Rome

2009 Assegno di studio sulla PAC e la crisi alimentare nel mondo, awarded by

fondazione ENPAIA and Regione Lazio

Organisational activities, committees and memberships

2020-2021	Member of the Scientific Committee of the GSSI Discussion Paper Series in Regional Science & Economic Geography.
2020	Doctoral Committee member of the 36th cycle of the GSSI PhD program in Regional Science & Economic Geography.
2019	Member of the evaluation committee of the Dutch National Research Agenda – Idea Generator (NWA-IDG) funding scheme of the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO)
2017-2019	Organiser of the Economic Geography seminar series – Utrecht University
2018	Organiser of a special session at the 4th Geography of Innovation conference, Barcelona
2017-2018	Regional Studies Association Early Career Membership (N. 10461)
2014	Organiser of the PhD session of the SERC Conference – London School of Economics
2013-2015	Organiser of the PhD seminar series in Economic Geography – London School of Economics

PhD supervision

Andrea Belmartino (Gran Sasso Science Institute), PhD in Regional Science & Economic Geography, defense expected in 2023, (Co-supervisor).

Piergiorgio Pilo (Gran Sasso Science Institute), PhD in Regional Science & Economic Geography, defense expected in 2022, (Co-supervisor).

Yibo Qiao (Utrecht University), PhD in Economic Geography, defense expected in 2022, (Co-supervisor)

Burcu Ozgun (Utrecht University), PhD in Economic Geography, defense expected in 2021, (Co-supervisor).

Marcel Bednarz (Utrecht University), PhD in Economic Geography, Thesis: *Dimensions of Spatial Knowledge Diffusion - Technology, Network and Regional Context*, defended on 01/09/2020, (Co-supervisor).

Arnault Morisson (Utrecht University), PhD in Economic Geography, Thesis: Regional Innovation Policies: The Role of the Institutional Contexts and Institutional Entrepreneurs, defended on 30/08/2019, (Co-supervisor).

PhD external reviewer

- Martina Aronica (University of Palermo), PhD in Economics and Statistics, Thesis: Essays on the Drivers of Firm Competitiveness, January 2020.
- Silvia Marinella Fontana (University of Padova), PhD in Human Rights, Society and Multi-level Governance, Thesis: Assessing and Measuring the Impact of Multinationals on Peace, October 2019.
- Federico Fantechi, (Gran Sasso Science Institute), PhD in Urban Studies, Thesis: Studying the Past, Learning the Future: Building Resilient Communities in Disaster-Prone Areas, December 2019.
- Francesca Parente (Sapienza University of Rome), PhD in Socio-Economics and Statistical Studies, Thesis: *A Geography of Multidimensional Inequalities in the European Union*, December 2017.

PhD committee

- Jan Martin Rossi (Sapienza University of Rome), PhD in Models for the Economy and Finance, Thesis: Essays on Measuring the International Business Cycle, defended on 02/12/2020.
- Rosario Barone (Sapienza University of Rome), PhD in Models for the Economy and Finance, Thesis: MCMC Methods for Continuous Time Multi-State Models and High Dimensional Copula Models, defended on 28/02/2020.
- Diego Battagliese (Sapienza University of Rome), PhD in Models for the Economy and Finance, Thesis: *Penalising Model Complexity*, defended on 28/02/2020.
- Viviana Celli (Sapienza University of Rome), PhD in Models for the Economy and Finance, Thesis: Causal mediation analysis: a new methodology for the identification of causal mechanisms through an RD approach, defended on 28/02/2020.
- Andrea Simone (Sapienza University of Rome), PhD in Models for the Economy and Finance, Thesis: *Seeding Patterns: The sources of Regional Diversification*, defended on 28/02/2020.

Teaching certifications

2018	BasisKwalifica	tie Onderwij	s (BK	(O) – Utr	echt Universi	ty	
2015	Postgraduate (PGCertHE),			0			Track

Teaching experience

PhD level	
2020	Coordinator and lecturer of the course Economic Geography I in the PhD programme in Regional Science & Economic Geography– Gran Sasso Science Institute
2018	Lecturer in the International PhD course in Economic Geography – Utrecht University
2018	Lecturer in the PhD in Urban Studies and Regional Science – Gran Sasso Science Institute

2018 Lecturer in the PhD in Socio-Economics and Statistical Studies -

Sapienza University of Rome

2017 Lecturer in the PhD in Economic Geography – Sapienza University of

Rome

Taught master courses

2017-2020 Geographies of Multinationals and the City (GEO4-3910), Utrecht

University

2018 Cities as Complex Systems (GEO4-3912) – Utrecht University

Taught Bachelor courses

2017-2020 Location in a Globalised World (GEO2-3803) - Utrecht School of

Economics

2017-2019 Economics of Cities (GEO2-3804) – Utrecht School of Economics

2014-2016 Urban and Spatial Economic Analysis I (GY201) – London School of

Economics

2014-2016 Urban and Spatial Economic Analysis II (GY305) – London School of

Economics

2014-2015 Guest lecturer at "LSE Global Dimension Programme" - London

School of Economics

2014-2015 Methods in Spatial and Social Analysis (GY140) - London School of

Economics

Scientific consultancy works

2020 Senior expert (type B) in economics and statistics for Centro Studi delle

Camere di Commercio "G. Tagliacarne" - Blue Economy reports

Other job experiences

Fall 2010 Programme Officer at Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Herat City,

Afghanistan

Jan-Jul 2009 Consultant at OECD, Trade and Agriculture Directorate - Paris,

France

Fall 2008 Intern at Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations and Other

International Organisations - Geneva, Switzerland