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I am currently Full Professor of Linguistics at Bologna University, Department of Interpreting and Translating (DIT, Forlì). I previously taught for 20 years in the Department of Political Sciences, Bologna University.

I have published six academic volumes and over 60 articles or book chapters in international and national journals/collections in the UK, USA, Italy, the Netherlands, Germany, France, Switzerland, Denmark and Poland, in the fields of corpus linguistics, political and social discourse studies, sociolinguistics, phonology, computer-assisted language learning, diachronic language studies, evaluative prosody, irony and metaphor. His most recent work is in corpus-assisted discourse studies (CADS), the use of corpus techniques to study features of interactive discourse, particularly in Anglo-American politics.

I am a member of the DIT Center of studies in Language, Linguistics and Technology and is the coordinator of the Bologna section of the *SiBol* international research group into Corpus-assisted Discourse Studies.

I am currently Editor-in-Chief of the *International Journal of Corpora and Discourse Studies* (JCADS):

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I am Member of the editorial board of *Bloomsbury* (London / New York, Corpus Linguistics series), and referee for the journals *Applied Linguistics* (OUP), the *International Journal of Corpus Linguistics*, *ICAME*, the *Journal of Pragmatics*, *International Humor Studies*, *Routledge English Language Resources*, *Corpora*, *Text & Talk*.

I am a member of the International Challenge Panel of the Economic and Social Research Council-funded Corpus Approaches to the Social Sciences, Lancaster University, 2012-present.

I was freelance lexicographer on the *Cobuild* corpus-assisted English dictionary and grammar project (University of Birmingham- Collins Dictionaries) 1991-92.

I was Director of the Interfaculty Language Centre of the University of Camerino from 1999-2003 and from 2004 to the present I have been Coordinator of the English Language Section of the School of Political Science, University of Bologna.

I was engaged in the organisation of the Camerino/Leeds Summer School of Linguistics and Phonetics (in collaboration with the British Council and USIS/the United States Embassy) between 1985 and 1992, and was its Director in 1992. I have organised or helped organise several conferences including the international conference *Corpora and Discourse* at the University of Camerino in 2002 and subsequently co-edited the proceedings.

I was a member of two Italian Ministry for Universities inter-University projects, *Reporting politics: a computerized analysis of a corpus of written and spoken political reporting in English* (1999) and *Corpora and Discourse: A quantitative and qualitative linguistic analysis of political and media discourse on the conflict in Iraq in 2003 (CorDis)* (2004). I was also a member of the *Intune* programme, an integrated project on the theme of Citizenship, financed by the European Union within the scope of the 6th Framework Programme (2005-9).

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