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Research at Luiss University



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One of the primary goals of Luiss University is to advance and disseminate social science knowledge in the public domain. To pursue such a goal, we must ensure conversation between academics and the wider Luiss network that includes research, professional, business and institutional communities. Luiss aspires to contribute to a better society through scholarship and education in the social sciences. This Newsletter intends to reach out to such communities to provide an overview of Luiss' research accomplishments. Every 3 months the Newsletter will showcase a set of news ranging from research publications to scholars' recruitment, from awards of research grants to new international partnerships.

Luiss is moving towards the engaged university model in which universities listen with enthusiasm, and speak with innovation, to their world. The Luiss faculty of leading scholars and dedicated practitioners pursue multidisciplinary inquiry on real challenges including firms' productivity and entrepreneurship, public policy and security, regulation and innovation. We believe that engaging with the individuals that face and experience the research problems we study is instrumental to fully accomplish our social purpose.

Professor Andrea Prencipe

Rector, Luiss University

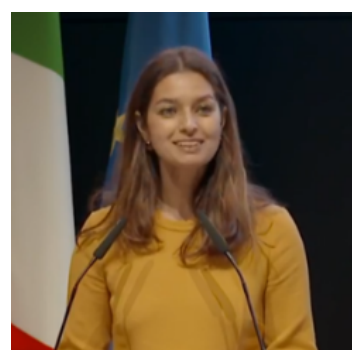
What's going on at Luiss?

Events

February 21st, 2019

Jhumpa Lahiri, Pulitzer prize winner, opens the Academic Year before the President of the Republic, **Sergio Mattarella**, with a speech on the role of language and translation in opening oneself to diversity.

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Grants

The excellence of individual research rewarded at Luiss

Vice Rector of Research **Fabiano Schivardi** has won the **ERC Advanced Grant 2019**, the most prestigious European individual Grant funded by the European Research Council (ERC), in the field of Social Science and Humanities. The award is for a project called “ISEProD, Industrial Structure and the European Productivity Growth Divergence”.



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Luiss wins 13 national and international grants

In 2019, Luiss wins 4 international and 9 national grants in all fields of social sciences.

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Academics

The Rome Master in Economics (RoME) shows its worth as a gateway to the best international PhD programs

Two years ago, Luiss started the **Rome Master in Economics (RoME)**, jointly held with **EIEF**, a program with a strong focus on a research career. The students of the first cohort, who will graduate next June, have been admitted to top US and European PhD programs, including the University of Chicago, Princeton University, Columbia University, MIT Sloan, Kellogg, UPenn, University of Minnesota, Cornell University, Boston University, UCLA UCSD, UCL.

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International Partnerships

Luiss entertains partnerships with 296 universities in 57 countries around the world, 83 of which entail a joint research agenda.

Luiss and Tilburg University

January 18th, 2019: **Luiss and Tilburg TiSEM Joint Workshop 2019**, promoted by Luiss and the School of Economics & Management (TiSEM) of Tilburg University focused on the topics of behavioral economics and innovation management. The purpose of the workshop was to bring into contact researchers from both institutions in order to explore the possibility of collaborating in conducting research and in seeking international research grants.

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Luiss and Renmin University of China

Beijing, March 29th, 2019: Luiss and Renmin University of China (RUC) signed a **global partnership agreement** which, among other things, offers financial support for joint research projects between Luiss and RUC scholars.

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Workshops

December 21st, 2018

promoted by Luiss, ELET and the Bank of Italy.

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February 1st, 2019

“RECONNECT Workshop: Re-conceptualizing Authority and Legitimacy in the EU: New Architectures and Procedures to Reconnect the Union with its”. With the participation of **Giuliano Amato**, who explained the complexity of building an integrated European system and achieving solidarity between EU Member States.

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Engaged Research at Luiss

“Green patents, regulatory policies and research network policies”, by **Valentina Meliciani (with Guarini, Giulio; Fabrizi, Andrea)**. (2018). *Research Policy* 47(6), 1018-1031.

[Read the interview](#) in which Business and Management Professor **Valentina Meliciani** explains her recent paper on the impact of regulation policies and research network policies on environmental innovation.



“Do shareholders drive changes in board composition? Boards’ gender ratios in restructuring firms”, by **Enzo Peruffo (with Moschieri, Caterina; Elvira, Marta M.)** (under review). *Organization Science*.

[Read the interview](#) in which Management Professor **Enzo Peruffo** explains his recent paper on how shareholders affect female representation on a company’s board of directors in a restructuring firm.



“The ‘Taricco Saga’: The Italian Constitutional Court continues its European journey”, by **Giovanni Piccirilli**. (2018). *European Constitutional Law Review* 14(4), 814-833.

[Read the interview](#) in which Law Assistant Professor **Giovanni Piccirilli** explains his paper on the effects of the recent judicial decisions of the European Court of Justice and the Italian Constitutional Court on relationship between the domestic and European legal orders.



“State production of cultural nationalism: political leaders and preservation policies for historic buildings in France and Italy”, by **Mark Thatcher**. (2018). *Nations and nationalism* 24(1), 64-87.

[Read the interview](#) in which Political Science Professor **Mark Thatcher** explains his recent paper on the conditions that favour national political leaders adopting policies to protect



New People at Luiss



Fabian Kurt Falk Homberg

Fabian Homberg is Associate Professor of Human Resource Management and Organisational Behaviour in the Department of Business and Management. His research interests are public service motivation and incentives in private and public sector organizations.

He has published in

Organization Studies, Group and Organization Management, Public Administration Review, Public Administration, Journal of Business Ethics, International Journal of Manpower, American Review of Public Administration and Journal of Management and Governance.

[Read more about Fabian Homberg](#)



Giuseppe Francesco Italiano

Professor **Giuseppe Italiano** teaches Computer Science in the Department of Business and Management. He obtained his PhD in Computer Science at Colombia University, and he was a member of the research team at the IBM Watson Research Center New York. Most of his research is centered around the design, analysis and engineering of algorithms for big data sets, with applications to several areas, including graph theory, social network analysis, computer and network security, and computational biology.

He has published in

Information and Computation, Algorithmica, ACM Transactions on Algorithms, Theoretical Computer Science, SIAM Journal on Computing, Journal of the Association for Computing Machinery, ACM Journal of Experimental Algorithmics.

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Francesco Lippi

Francesco Lippi is Professor of Monetary Economics in the Department of Economics and Finance and senior fellow at the EIEF. He holds a PhD from the Netherlands' University of Tinbergen. He won an ERC Advanced Grant, and he is editor of the Economic Journal. His



Pierluigi Murro

Pierluigi Murro is Associate Professor of Corporate Finance in Department of Business and Management. He holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Bari. He served at several Italian universities and was visiting at Michigan State University. He is the Scientific

economics, a field where he has published about the propagation of monetary shocks, models of money demand and the cash-credit choice, and monetary institutions.

He has published in

The Economic Journal (member of the editorial board), Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, The American Economic Review, Econometrica, American Economic Journal Macroeconomics, Journal of The European Economic Association, Journal of Monetary Economics, European Economic Review, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of Economic Theory.

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Research Fellow of CASMEF and CERBE research center. His research interests include corporate finance, relationship banking, banking regulation, corporate governance, innovation and exports.

He has published in

Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Financial Intermediation, Journal of Corporate Finance, European Economic Review, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization.

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Andrea Polo

Andrea Polo is an Assistant Professor of Finance in the Department of Economics and Finance and a Research Affiliate at the EIEF. He holds a Master from Cambridge University and a PhD from Oxford University. He taught at Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona Graduate School of Economics, and Rock Center for Corporate Governance at Stanford University. He conducts research activities at the Center for Economic Policy Research and European Corporate Governance Institute. His research interests concern corporate finance, corporate governance, banking and macro finance.

He has published in

Journal of Financial Economics, The Review of Financial Studies, Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis.

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Mark Thatcher

Professor **Mark Thatcher** teaches the Politics of Cultural Heritage in Europe in the Department of Political Science. After completing a PhD at Oxford University's Nuffield College, Professor Thatcher began teaching and researching at the London School of Economics. His research interests lie in comparative public policy and regulation in Europe. At Luiss, he is focused on comparative policies towards cultural heritage, both in countries such as England, France and Italy, and also at the EU level.

He has published in

Socio-economic Review, European Journal of Political Research, Comparative European Politics, West European Politics, Governance, Comparative Political Studies, Journal of European Public Policy, Nations and Nationalism.

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