LUISS

Research at
Luiss University

n.4 spring 2020

The Luiss community has responded superbly to the lockdown: we carried out all planned activities, and more. I thank all Luiss stakeholders for their contribution to this result. In the best spirit of our "engaged research" approach, we are contributing effectively to the effort of the international research community to understand and address the medical, economic and social

aspects of the pandemic. The newsletter opens with a section dedicated specifically to these contributions. But other things happened during this difficult period. Right before the lockdown became effective, we celebrated Fabio Panetta, member of the European Central Bank board, as Alumnus Luiss 2019. I had the privilege of directly experiencing Fabio's excellence in both producing and using research to address his responsibilities as public servant, so I was particularly pleased of this choice. The newsletter also showcases the contributions of our fantastic female colleagues: gender balance is a top priority in Luiss, and I am particularly proud of the fact that a talented group of young researchers is contributing to close the gap that still exists.

Although the technology has proven very effective to keep up with our duties, the lockdown has also made us aware of how important direct interaction is: we are all looking forward to seeing in person our students, our colleagues and all the members of the Luiss community in our beautiful premises once the epidemic is over!

Professor Fabiano Schivardi
Deputy Rector for Research, Luiss University

Luiss at the time of Covid-19

A planning problem in controlling the Covid-19 pandemic

Read the interview on Luiss Open in which Economics and Finance Professor **Francesco Lippi** explains his recent research on the optimal lockdown policy for a government who wants to control the fatalities of a pandemic while minimizing the output costs of the lockdown.

"A Simple Planning Problem for Covid-19 Lockdown", by Francesco Lippi (with Fernando Alvarez, and David Argente). (2020). *EIEF Working Paper* 20/05.

Luiss Open, the University research magazine, started a dedicated section collecting Luiss professors' contributions on Covid-19.

Read more

April 14ᵗʰ, 2020 – Webinar on "Italy, France and UE at the time of the Covid-19"
Luiss Guido Carli and Science Po, in collaboration with The European House - Ambrosetti, organized a webinar on "**Italy, France and the European Union at the time of the Coronavirus: political choices and the role of Europe**". The topic, introduced by **Paola Severino**, was discussed by Professor **Sergio Fabbrini** and Professor **Enrico Letta**.

Read more

May 7th, 2020 – Webinar on "Europe to the Covid-19 test"
Luiss Guido Carli and Science Po, in collaboration with The European House - Ambrosetti, organized a webinar on **"Europe to the Covid-19 test: are its answers appropriate to the specific situations of the member countries?"**.
The topic was discussed by **Vincenzo Amendola**, Minister for European Affairs, and **Amélie de Montchalin**, Secretary of State to the Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs, with the partecipation of Professors **Marc Lazar**, **Enrico Letta**, and **Paola Severino**.

Read more

Luiss organized **#LuissMasterClass,** a series of meetings in which academic and professional experts debate on themes related to the Covid-19 emergency.

Read more

What's going on at Luiss?

Events

Fabio Panetta is the Alumnus Luiss 2019

February 13th, 2020

The Luiss Executive Board, following the recommendation of Luiss Alumni Association, has appointed Alumnus Luiss 2019 **Fabio Panetta**, member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank. In his address, Fabio has stressed the central role of research both in his own career - he has published in top academic economic and finance journals - and in the decision making of central banks in these challenging times.

Read more

Dr. Panetta during his dialogue with Luiss Students

May 7th, 2020

Luiss Guido Carli hosted a webinar on **"European Small Claims Procedure: the Italian experience"**, as part of the "SCAN - Small Claims Analysis Net" project co-funded by the European Union Justice Programme (2014-2020).

Read more

Grants

Luiss wins a Horizon2020 Grant

Luiss has been awarded a Horizon2020 Grant for the project "MediaFutures: Data-driven innovation hub for the media value chain".

Read more

Luiss obtains funding for research on social inclusion of refugees in Italy

Luiss research for integrating refugees into the socio-economic system of Italy has been recently financed through the **Fund for Asylum, Migration and Integration 2014-2020 (FAMI)** with the **"Per.Se.O." project**.

Read more

Maria Giulia Amadio Vicerè has been awarded the **Marie Curie Fellowship**, a European research grant, to pursue her study on "EUDIC-EU Foreign Policy Differentiation and Integration: Informal Groups in EU Approach to Conflicts and Crises".

Read more

Read more about Maria Giulia Amadio Vicerè

Antonio Davola has been awarded the **Marie Curie Fellowship**, a European research grant, to pursue his study on: "Fair Personalization".

Read more

Read more about Antonio Davola

Engaged Research at Luiss

Platforms as service ecosystems: a new economic organization around data

Read the interview in which Political Science Assistant Professor **Cristina Alaimo** explains her recent paper on social media as multi-player associations characterized by synergies and complementarities.

"Platforms as service ecosystems: Lessons from social media", by Cristina Alaimo (with Ioannis Kallinikos). (2020). *Journal of Information Technology* 35(1): 25-48. doi:**10.1177/0268396219881462**

When parties guide voters: surprising results from an experimental research

Read the interview in which Political Science Professor **Lorenzo De Sio** explains his recent research on ability of parties to shape citizens' preferences on policy issues.

"Where You Lead, I Will Follow": Partisan Cueing on High-Salience Issues in a Turbulent Multiparty System", by Lorenzo De Sio (with Aldo Paparo, and Joshua A. Tucker). (Online first 2020). *Political Psychology*. doi:**10.1111/pops.12651**

The role of credit relationships in the great trade collapse

Read the interview in which Business and Management Associate Professor **Pierluigi Murro** explains his paper on the connection between banks' relationship lending technologies and firms' export activities during the 2009 great trade collapse.

"Credit Relationships in the great trade collapse. Micro evidence from Europe", by Pierluigi Murro (with Giovanni Ferri, and Raoul Minetti). (2019). *Journal of Financial Intermediation* 40: 100809. doi:**10.1016/j.jfi.2019.01.001**

New People at Luiss

Cristina Alaimo

Cristina Alaimo is Assistant Professor (Research) of Digital economy and Society in the Department of Political Science. She holds a Ph.D. in Management, Information Systems and Innovation from LSE – The London School of Economics and Political Science, London. Her research focuses on the innovation brought about by data-based services and their consequences for

Rosario Forlenza

Rosario Forlenza is Assistant Professor (Research) of Modern European History in the Department of Political Science. Before joining Luiss in February 2020, he has worked in several universities across the world, in the United Stated, Europe, and Australia. His research centers on democracy and democratization, religion and politics, authoritarianism, revolution,

organizations and society.

She has published in
Organization Studies (forthcoming), The Information Society, Journal of Information Technology and Research in the Sociology of Organizations.

Read more about Cristina Alaimo

nationalism, the politics of memory, political anthropology, the Cold War, and cinema.

He has published in
Past & Present, Contemporary European History, History Workshop Journal, and other journals. His most recent book is On the Edge of Democracy: Italy, 1943-1948 (Oxford, 2019).

Read more about Rosario Forlenza

Nicola Prezza

Nicola Prezza is Assistant Professor (Research) of Computer Science in the Department of Business and Management. He holds a Ph.D in Computer science from the University of Udine. His research interests are algorithms and data structures for the manipulation and analysis of compressed strings and graphs, both from the theoretical and practical viewpoints and with applications to bioinformatics. He is the recipient of the 2018 "Best Young Researcher in Theoretical Computer

Science award" of the Italian Chapter of the European Association for Theoretical Computer Science (EATCS) and of the 2017 "Best Scientific Ph.D. thesis" of the University of Udine.

He has published in
Journal of The Association for Computing Machinery, Algorithmica, Informations Systems, Theoretical Computer Science, BMC Bioinformatics, Symposium on Theory of Computing (STOC), Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA).

Read more about Nicola Prezza

LUISS

Luiss Research Office
Viale Romania, 32
Rome, Rm 00197
Italy

Add us to your address book

Unsubscribe | Update information | Privacy policy
View this email in your browser