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CURRENT POSITION

March 2022 – Associate professor, University of Messina

September 2020 – March 2022: Marie Curie Global Fellow, Universities of Queensland and Venice

October 2014 – present: permanent senior assistant professor (UD1), Leiden University (on leave)

OTHER ACADEMIC POSITIONS AND PROJECTS

2015 – 2020: research fellow, NATO Centre on Civil Military Coordination (CCOE)

Head of research project 'Projecting Resilience across the Mediterranean'

Head of research project 'A Civil-Military Response to Hybrid Threats'

September 2019 – August 2020: Jean Monnet Fellow, European University Institute (EUI)

2014 – 2016: participant in NATO Air Power (JAPCC) Centre 'Air Power and Disinformation' project

2013 – 2014: lecturer in International Relations, Baltic Defence College

2012 – 2014: participant in EU H2020 'TransWorld' research project

2012 – 2013: Fulbright-Schuman Scholar, Korbel School of International Studies, Denver

2011 – 2012: visiting lecturer, University of Maastricht

2009 – 2011: participant in EU H2020 'Priv-War' research project

EDUCATION

2008 – 2012: PhD In Political and Social Science, European University Institute

2008 – 2009: Master of Research in Political and Social Sciences, European University Institute

2007 - 2008: MA in International Relations, University of Bologna (grade 110/100 *cum laude*)

RESEARCH IMPACT METRICS (as of 17 March 2022)

Citations:

Google Scholar: 746

Scopus: 273

Web of Science: 244

H Index:

Google Scholar: 15

Scopus: 11

Web of Science: 9

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles:

1. **2022**– The Colours of Ideology: Chromatic Isomorphism and Political Party Logos, *Party Politics* (with Matteo Casiraghi and Luigi Curini)
2. **2021**– Advancing Private Security Studies: an Introduction to the Special Issue, *Small Wars and Insurgencies* (with Christopher Kinsey)
3. **2021**– Concluding Remarks, *Small Wars and Insurgencies* (with Christopher Kinsey)
4. **2021** – Varieties of Organised Hypocrisy: Security Privatisation in UN, EU, and NATO Crisis Management Operations, *European Security* (with Oldrich Bures)
5. **2021** – Guilt by Association? The Criminalization of Sea Rescue NGOs in Italian Media, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*
6. **2021** – United to Rescue? Humanitarian Role Conceptions and NGO-NGO Interactions in the Mediterranean Sea, *European Security*
7. **2021** – Defend(ing) Europe? Border Control and Identitarian Activism off the Libyan Coast, *International Politics*
8. **2021** – The Anti-Mercenary Norm and United Nations' Use of Private Companies: From Norm Entrepreneurship to Organized Hypocrisy. *International Peacekeeping* (with Oldrich Bures)
9. **2020** – From "Angels" to "Vice Smugglers": the Criminalization of Sea Rescue NGOs in Italy. *European Journal on Criminal Policy and Research* (with Matteo Villa)

10. **2020** – Private Military and Security Companies’ Logos: between Camouflaging and Corporate Socialization, *Security Dialogue*
11. **2020** – In Deep Waters. The Legal, Ethical and Political Implications of Closing Italian Ports to Migrant Rescuers, *Mediterranean Politics* (with Kristof Gombeer)
12. **2019** – Humanitarians at Sea. Selective Emulation Across Migrant Rescue NGOs, *Contemporary Security Policy*
13. **2019** – Migrant Rescue as Organized Hypocrisy? EU Maritime Missions Offshore Libya between Humanitarianism and Law Enforcement, *Cooperation & Conflict* (selected as 2019 editors’ pick)
14. **2019** – Straightjacketing migrant rescuers? The code of conduct on maritime NGOs, *Mediterranean Politics*
15. **2018** – Morally Evaluating Human Smuggling: The Case of Migration to Europe, *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy* (with Eamon Aloyo)
16. **2018** – The Non-governmental Provision of Search and Rescue in the Mediterranean and the Abdication of State Responsibility, *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*, (with James Pattison)
17. **2018** – The Political Cost-Effectiveness of Private Vessel Protection: the Italian case, *The International Spectator* (with Stefano Ruzza)
18. **2017** – The Sea as Humanitarian Space. Non-governmental Search and Rescue Dilemmas on the Central Mediterranean Migratory Route, *Mediterranean Politics*
19. **2017** – Emptying the Sea With a Spoon? Non-governmental Providers of Migrants Search and Rescue in the Mediterranean, *Marine Policy*
20. **2017**– Security Privatisation at Sea. Piracy and the Commercialisation of Vessel Protection, *International Relations* (with Stefano Ruzza)
21. **2016** – Diplomatic Security for Hire? The Causes and Implications of Outsourcing Diplomatic Security, *Hague Journal of Diplomacy*
22. **2016** – Bridging the Gap. Mobilisation Constraints and Contractor Support to US and UK Military Operations, *Journal of Strategic Studies*
23. **2015** – Contractors as a Second Best Option: The Italian Hybrid Approach to Maritime Security, *Ocean Development & International Law*
24. **2015** – The Scope of Military Privatization. Military Role Conceptions and Contractor Support in the United States and the United Kingdom, *International Relations*
25. **2015** – Bureaucratic Interests and the Outsourcing of Security. The Privatization of Diplomatic Protection, in the US and the UK, *Armed Forces & Society* (with Christopher Kinsey)
26. **2014** – Normative Power Under Contract? Commercial Support to European Crisis Management Operations, *International Peacekeeping* (with Francesco Giumelli)
27. **2013** – La Démocratie Diminue et le Nouvel Art Américain de la guerre, *Gouvernement & Action publique* (with Pascal Vennesson).

Books:

2020 – *Piracy and the Privatization of Maritime Security*. Basingstoke: Palgrave (with Stefano Ruzza)

Edited Volumes and Special Issues:

1. 1. From Condottieri to Cyber-mercenaries: The Past, Present and Future of Private Security Forces. *Small Wars and Insurgencies* (with Christopher Kinsey).
2. **2019** – *Projecting Resilience Across the Mediterranean*. Basingstoke: Palgrave (with Stefan Hofmaier)
3. **2019** – *Diplomatic Security. A Comparative Analysis*. Stanford: Stanford University Press (with Chris Kinsey).
4. **2018** – *A Civil-Military Response to Hybrid Threats*. Basingstoke: Palgrave (with Marian Corbe).

Book Chapters:

1. **2022** – “The Privatization of Maritime Security: Open Registries’ Vessel Protection Policies”, in Ruxandra Bosilca, Susana Ferreira, and Barry Ryan, *Routledge Handbook of Maritime Security* (Oxon: Routledge)
2. **2020** – ‘Over Troubled Waters. Maritime rescue operations in the Central Mediterranean’, in International Organization for Migration (ed.), *Migration in the Central Mediterranean Route and Beyond: Safety, Support and Solutions* (Geneva: International Organization for Migration).
3. **2020** – ‘Piracy and the Privatization of Maritime Security: Isomorphic Convergence in Vessel Protection’, in Edward Lucas, Samuel Rivera, and Thomas Crosbie, *Maritime Security: Counter-Terrorism Lessons from Maritime Piracy and Narcotics Interdiction* (Amsterdam: IOS Press, NATO Science for Peace and Security Series).
4. **2020** – ‘NATO in a Changing World’ (co-authored with Roger Totsbotn), in Madeleine Hosli and Joren Selleslaghs, *The Changing Global Order Challenges and Prospects* (Basil: Springer)
5. **2019** – ‘Introduction’, in Eugenio Cusumano and Stefan Hofmaier (eds.) *Projecting Resilience Across the Mediterranean*

6. **2019** – ‘Enhancing Resilience. The Way Ahead’, in Cusumano and Hofmaier (eds.) ‘Projecting Resilience across the Mediterranean’
7. **2019** – ‘The History, Effectiveness, and Implications of Diplomatic Security: a Conclusion’, in Eugenio Cusumano and Christopher Kinsey (eds.), *Diplomatic Security*
8. **2019** – ‘Introduction’, in Eugenio Cusumano and Christopher Kinsey (eds.), *Diplomatic Security*
9. **2018** – ‘Resilience for Hire? NATO Contractor Support in Afghanistan Examined’, in Eugenio Cusumano and Marian Corbe, *A Civil-Military Response to Hybrid Threats* (Basingstoke: Palgrave).
10. **2018** – ‘From Strategic Communication to Sanctions: the European Union’s Approach to Hybrid Threats’ (co-authored with Francesco Giumelli and Matteo Besana), in Eugenio Cusumano and Marian Corbe, *A Civil-Military Response to Hybrid Threats* (Basingstoke: Palgrave).
11. **2018** – ‘Introduction’ (co-authored with Marian Corbe), in Eugenio Cusumano and Marian Corbe, *A Civil-Military Response to Hybrid Threats* (Basingstoke: Palgrave).
12. **2018** – ‘Conclusions’ (co-authored with Marian Corbe), in Eugenio Cusumano and Marian Corbe, *A Civil-Military Response to Hybrid Threats* (Basingstoke: Palgrave).
13. **2017** – ‘United States anti-piracy policies: between military missions and private sector responsabilization’ (co-authored with Stefano Ruzza), in Marco Clementi and Matteo Dian, *US Foreign Policy in a Challenging World. Building Order on Shifting Foundations* (Basel: Springer)
14. **2016** – ‘Money for Nothing? Contractor Support to Military Operations from an Economic Perspective’, in Christopher Kinsey and Joakim Berndsson, *Routledge Companion to Security Outsourcing* (London: Routledge).
15. **2016** – ‘The Drivers of Outsourcing Diplomatic Security’, in Christopher Kinsey and Joakim Berndsson, *Routledge Companion to Security Outsourcing* (London: Routledge).
16. **2016** – ‘The Regulation of Private Military and Security Companies in the UK’, in and Gary Schaub and Ryan Keltly, *Controlling the Corporate Warrior*, (New York: Rowman & Littlefield)
17. **2014** – ‘Handing over Leadership: the Drivers and Future of Transatlantic Environmental Governance’, in Christine Bakker and Francesco Francioni (eds.), *The EU, the US and Global Climate Governance* (Farnham: Ashgate)
18. **2011** – ‘Policy Prospects for Regulating Private Military and Security Companies’, in Francesco Francioni and Natalino Ronzitti (eds.) *War by Contract. Human Rights, Humanitarian Law and Private Contractors*, (Oxford: Oxford University Press)

Policy Papers

1. **2020** – ‘Civil Military Cooperation and Societal Resilience During Hybrid Crises’, Hybrid COE Cyber power in hybrid crisis symposium
2. **2020** – ‘The Future of Irregular Migration to Europe’, Italian Institute for International Political Studies
3. **2019** – ‘Sea Rescue NGOs: A Pull Factor of Irregular Migration?’. *European University Institute*
Most downloaded paper in the history of the EUI. Cited by International Organization for Migration, UN Refugee Agency, and EU Director General Home.
4. **2015** – ‘Cassandra Vindicated: Baltic Perceptions of NATO’s “New Deterrence” of Russia’, *RUSI Niensbrief*
5. **2014** – ‘Handing Over Leadership: Transatlantic Environmental Governance as a Functional Relationship’, *Italian Institute of International Affairs*
6. **2010** – ‘Regulating Private Military and Security Companies: A Multifaceted and Multilayered Approach’, *European Academy of Law Working Paper*

Work in Progress

1. Failing Through: European Migration Governance Across the Central Mediterranean, forthcoming, *Journal of Ethnic & Migration Studies*
2. Someone’s Mercenary is Someone Else’s Private Military Contractor: International Norms and Hypocrisy in Parliamentary Debates. Under review, *International Relations*
3. European Integration and Political Party Logos: a ‘Visual Europeanization’? Under Review, *Comparative Political Studies*.
4. *Power Under Contract. Domestic Political Constraints and Military Privatization*. Book Manuscript under contract

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Dates	Funding Type	Amount
September 2020- August 2023	Marie Curie Global Fellowship	257,000 EUR
May 2019	Gerda Henkel Special Programme on Security and the	50,000 EUR

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September 2019 – August 2020	Jean Monnet Fellowship, European University Institute	36,000 EUR
May 2019	NATO Defense College Eisenhower Fellowship	15,000 EUR (declined)
December 2017	Sprint-FAPESP Grant, Leiden University	5,000 EUR
May 2017	Global Interactions Breed Grant	25,000 EUR
September 2012- June 2013	Fulbright-Schuman Research Fellowship	32,000 EUR
September 2008 – June 2012	PhD scholarship, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs	65,000 EUR

SELECTED MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

Cited or interviewed by: *The New York Times*, the BBC, *the Guardian*, *The Independent*, *the Daily Mail*, *Euronews*, *Liberation*, *France 24*, *Le Parisien*, *De Spiegel*, *Die Zeit*, *Die Welt*, *Süddeutsche Zeitung*, *La Repubblica*, *Il Fatto Quotidiano*, *Internazionale*, *Il Post*, *Radio Radicale*, NPO 01, *De Volkskrant*, *Trouw*, *De Morgen*, *La Información*, ETC, and others

SELECTED INVITED TALKS:

EU Institute for Security Studies, *EU Hybrid Centre of Excellence*, *International Organization for Migration*, *NATO Defense College*, *US School of Foreign Service*, *UK Royal United Service Institute*

SELECTED CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION:

European Standing Group of International Relations, Stockholm 2010
International Studies Association Conference (ISA), Montreal 2011
Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society (IUSAFS), Chicago 2011
Harvard University Conference on “Soldiering: the Afterlife of a Modern Experience”, Harvard 2012
International Studies Association (ISA), San Diego 2012
Standing Group di Relazioni Internazionali (SGRI), Trento 2012
International Studies Association (ISA), San Francisco 2013
Standing Group di Relazioni Internazionali (SGRI), Trento 2013
International Studies Association Conference (ISA), Toronto 2014
European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), Glasgow 2014
International Studies Association Conference (ISA) New Orleans 2015
European Research Group on Militaries and Societies (ERGOMAS), Tel Aviv 2015
European International Relations Association Conference (EISA), Giardini Naxos 2015
Reconsidering Democracy and the Nation State, Leiden University 2016
Oceans Governance Conference, Hague Institute for Global Justice, 2016
International Studies Association (ISA), Atlanta 2016
Società Italiana di Scienza Politica (SISP), Milan 2016
International Sociology Association Committee on Armed Forces & Conflict Resolution, Rio de Janeiro 2016
NATO Centre for Civil-Military Cooperation conference “Projecting Resilience”, Rome 2017
European Initiative for Security Studies (EISS), Paris 2017
European International Studies Association (EISA), Barcelona 2017
European Union in International Affairs (EUIA), Brussels 2018
European Initiative for Security Studies (EISS), Paris 2018
International Political Science Association (IPSA), Brisbane 2018
European International Studies Association (EISA), Prague 2018
European International Studies Association exploratory symposium, Rapallo 2018
European International Studies Association workshop, Groningen 2018
International Studies Association (ISA), Toronto 2019
European Initiative for Security Studies (EISS), Paris 2019
European International Studies Association (EISA), Sophia 2019
European International Studies Association exploratory symposium, Rapallo 2019
European Union Centre for Hybrid Threats, Workshop “hybrid threats in the cyber domain”, Helsinki 2019
European International Studies Association, online 2021
Società Italiana di Scienza Politica, online 2021

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2020 – University of Genoa, PhD programme in Security, Risk and Vulnerability
Maritime Security and Migration

2014-2020 – Leiden University

MA Courses: Methods in International Relations; Deadly Borders: Theories, Actors, Cases; War By Contract; International Security; Global Conflict in the Modern Era; European Union External Relations

BA Courses: International Security, European Security; The EU Today; The Privatization of Security

Thesis Supervision: 41 MA theses; 14 BA theses

Basic Teaching Qualification (BKO) obtained in 2015

Baltic Defence College:

Higher Command Studies Course: Strategy in the Contemporary World

Joint Staff Course: International Security; Research, Critical Thinking and the Military Profession;

Civil Servants Course: Civil-Military Relations

University of Denver:

MA Courses: Civil-Military Relations

BA Courses: The Privatization of Security

PHD EXAMINATIONS

May 2020 – Jonathan Cottam, Macquarie University

March 2020 – Matteo Casiraghi, University of Milan

May 2019 – Alessandro D'Errico, Catholic University of Milan

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Director of Leiden University MA International Relations Teaching Committee, 2015-2019

Supervisor of research assistants Martina Abisso, Flora Bell, Matteo Besana, Roger Tosbotn

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS

Advisory boards:

PhD programme in Security, Risk and Vulnerability, University of Genoa

ERC project Global Justice and Migrant Remittances (JUSTREMIT)

Member of:

International Studies Association, European International Studies Association, Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society, European Consortium for Political Research

Reviewer for:

Routledge, Palgrave Macmillan, *American Political Science Review*, *Armed Forces & Society*, *Contemporary Italian Politics*, *Cooperation & Conflict*, *Defence Studies*, *Disasters*, *European Journal of International Relations*, *European Journal of Political Theory*, *European Security*, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, *Geopolitics*, *International Affairs*, *International Migration*, *Journal of Common Market Studies*, *Journal Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, *Journal of European Public Policy*, *Journal of European Integration*, *Journal of Global Security Studies*, *Journal of Strategic Studies*, *Migration Studies*, *Millennium*, *Regulation & Governance*, *Security Studies*, *Small Wars & Insurgencies*, *European History Review*

LANGUAGES

Italian: Native

English: Fluent (C2)

Spanish: Fluent (C1)

French: Basic (A2)

Dutch: Basic (A1)