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## ABOUT ME

Luca Verzelloni is an Associate Professor of Sociology of Organization at the Department of Sociology and Social Research of the University of Milano-Bicocca. After obtaining his PhD in Sociology and Social Research at the University of Trento in 2009, he has held research and teaching positions at the following national and foreign institutions: University of Bologna, Italian National Research Council, University of Coimbra and ENS Paris-Saclay. Currently, he is associate researcher at the Centre for Social Studies (CES) of the University of Coimbra. Among his publications may be mentioned: "Dietro alla cattedra del giudice" [Behind the judge's desk] (Pendragon, 2009); "Through the practice lens" (with G. Corradi e S. Gherardi, Management Learning, 2010); "Gli avvocati nella giustizia civile" [Lawyers in the civil justice] (Carocci, 2015); "I percorsi di innovazione dei sistemi giudiziari del sud Europa" [The innovation paths of the judicial systems of Southern Europe] (Studi Organizzativi, 2019); "Pratiche di sapere" [Practices of knowledge] (Rubbettino, 2019); "Paradossi dell'innovazione" [Paradoxes of innovation] (Carocci, 2020); "Riformare la giustizia del lavoro fra disuguaglianze e inefficienze" [Reforming labour justice between inequalities and inefficiencies] (Stato e Mercato, 2020).

## EDUCATION

- **2009** PhD in Sociology and Social Research, Information Systems and Organizations, Department of Sociology and Social Research, University of Trento, Italy.
- **2005** Master's degree in Organization and Economic Development, Profingest Management School, Bologna, Italy.
- **2004** Degree 110/110 *cum laude* in Political Science, Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Bologna, Italy.

## WORK EXPERIENCES

- **From 2024** Associate Professor of Sociology of Organization at the Department of Sociology and Social Research of the University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy.
- **2021-2024** Assistant Professor of Sociology of Organization at the Department of Sociology and Social Research of the University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy.
- **2020-2021** Researcher, in the framework of the UNESCO Network "Governance and Citizenship in the digital age" (NET Learning) at the École Normale Supérieure Paris-Saclay, France.
- **2015-2020** Researcher and Member of the Research group Democracy, Citizenship and Law (DECIDe) at the Centre for Social Studies (CES) of the University of Coimbra, Portugal.

- 2014-2015 Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Research Institute on Judicial Systems, National Research Council (IRSiG-CNR), Italy.
- **2011-2013** Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna, Italy.
- 2009-2011 Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Department of Politics, Institutions and History, University of Bologna, Italy.
- 2008-2009 Research Fellow, Department of Politics, Institutions and History, University of Bologna, Italy.
- 2007-2008 Research Fellow, Faculty of Psychology, University of Bologna, campus of Cesena (FC), Italy.

# ASSIGNMENTS AND INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

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- **Since 2020** Associate researcher of the Centre for Social Studies (Centro de Estudos Sociais) (CES) at the University of Coimbra, Portugal.
- **Since 2020** Promoter and local reference of the UNESCO Network on Governance and Citizenship in the digital Age (NET Learning), coordinated by Prof. D. Piana.
- **Since 2018** Co-chair (with N. Holvast) of the subgroup on judiciary of the International Working Group on the Legal Professions (RCSL-ISA).
- Since 2016 Expert trainer of the courses for aspiring directors of the Italian judicial offices, established in compliance with art. 26-bis of legislative decree 26/2006 by the Superior School for the Judiciary, Italy.
- 2016-2018 Member of the technical-scientific office of the Observatory for the monitoring of overall efficiency of the judicial system and the assessment of efficacy of the reforms necessary for the growth of the country, established by the Ministry of Justice, Italy.
- **2016-2018** Member of the working group "Traineeships and professional training", established within the framework convention agreed by the Ministry and Justice and the Conference of Rectors of Italian Universities, Italy.
- **2016-2018** Co-Coordinator (with S. Maeso and M. Duarte) of the research group Democracy, Citizenship and Law (DECIDe), Centre for Social Studies, University of Coimbra, Portugal.
- **2014** Member of the database of independent experts able to assist the Commission in the field of justice, freedom and security, DG Home Affairs and DG Justice.
- **2009-2015** Director of the Centre for the Organization, Management and Informatization of the Italian judicial offices (COMIUG), University of Bologna, Italy.
- **2009-2015** Secretary and Director of the Association for Research on Complex Organizations (AROC), University of Bologna, Italy.

## **RESEARCH PROJECTS**

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- 2018-2021 Project "Quality of Justice in Portugal! Impact of working conditions in the performance of judges and public prosecutors", funded by FEDER through COMPETE 2020 and the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT), coordinator Dr. J.P. Dias, CES. Role: researcher.
- **2015-2020** Project "*The paradox of the judicial innovation in South European Countries*", funded by the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology of the Ministry of Education and Science (FCT), Portugal. Role: coordinator/PI.
- **2016-2018** Project "The charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union in action", funded by the EC, Directorate-General Justice and Consumers, coordinator Prof. J. M. Pureza,

CES. Partners: Institut de Drets Humans de Catalunya (E), Utrecht School of Law, Universiteit Utrecht (NL) and Uniwesytet Szczecinski (PL). Role: researcher.

- **2015** Project of national interest (PRIN) *"Economic Crises and the quality of democracy in Europe"*, coordinator Prof. L. Morlino, LUISS, Rome, Italy. Role: collaborator.
- **2014** Research project "*Time reduction in civil trials at Bologna's Court of Appeal*", Strategic Metropolitan Plan of Bologna, Research Institute on Judicial Systems, Italian National Research Council (IRSiG-CNR), Italy. Role: researcher.
- **2013** International research project *"Technologies and Justice"*, Institut des Hautes Etudes de la Justice (IHEJ), Paris, France. Role: researcher.
- **2013** Research project "*Digital document flows for Emilia-Romagna*", Research Foundation Istituto Cattaneo, Bologna, Italy. Role: researcher.
- 2013-2014 International research project "The institutional framework to struggle against corruption in Spain. Is the fight against corruption being effective in Spain?", funded by the Ministry of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness, Spain, coordinator Prof. M. Villoria Mendieta, Fundación José Ortega y Gasset-Gregorio Marañón and University Rey Juan Carlos, Spain. Role: researcher.

## PUBLICATIONS

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## Books

- Verzelloni, L. (2020). *Paradossi dell'innovazione*. *I sistemi giustizia del sud Europa* [Paradoxes of innovation. The justice systems of Southern Europe]. Rome: Carocci.
- Verzelloni, L. (2019). *Pratiche di sapere. I rituali dell'innovazione nella giustizia italiana* [Practices of knowledge. Innovation rituals in the Italian justice]. Soveria Mannelli: Rubbettino.
- Verzelloni, L. (2015). *Gli avvocati nella giustizia civile. Utenti e protagonisti* [Lawyers in the civil justice. Users and protagonists]. Rome: Carocci.
- Verzelloni, L. (2009). Dietro alla cattedra del giudice. Pratiche, prassi e occasioni di apprendimento [Behind the judge's desk: practices, praxes and learning opportunities]. Bologna: Pendragon.

# **Edited books**

- Castelli, C., Liccardo, P., Melillo, G., Piana, D., Verzelloni, L. (eds.) (2014). *Giustizia, territori e governo dell'innovazione* [Justice, territories and governance of innovation]. Rome: Carocci.
- Sciacca, M., Verzelloni, L., Miccoli, G. (eds.) (2013). Giustizia in bilico. I percorsi di innovazione giudiziaria: attori, risorse, governance [Justice hanging in the balance. The judicial innovation paths: actors, resources, governance]. Rome: Aracne.

# **Book chapters**

- Verzelloni, L. (2020). Territories of (In)Justice. Labour justice in Southern Europe. In M. Brown, M. Briguglio (a cura di), Social Welfare Issues in Southern Europe, Routledge, 88-115.
- Sommerlad, H., Hersant, J., Holvast, N., Verzelloni, L., Gustafsson, S., Sandefur, R., et al. (2022). Paralegals and the casualisation of legal labour markets. In R.L. Abel, O. Hammerslev, H. Sommerlad, U. Ulrike (a cura di), *Lawyers in 21st-Century Societies - Vol. 2: Comparisons and Theories*, Hart, 271-300.
- Verzelloni, L. (2016). "A Gestão dos Sistemas de Justiça, Governo dos Tribunais numa Análise Comparada" [Governance of the justice systems, management of the courts in a comparative analysis]. In Rodrigues, M., et. al. (eds.), 40 Anos de Políticas de Justiça em Portugal. Coimbra: Almedina, 709-736.

# Articles in peer-reviewed journals

- Dallara, C., Lacchei, A., Verzelloni, L. (2023). Up-scaling social innovation in asylum adjudication: The case of Migrantes project in Sicily. *Innovation*, 36(2), 266-285.
- Verzelloni, L. (2019). "I percorsi di innovazione dei sistemi giudiziari del sud Europa" [The innovation paths of the judicial systems of Southern Europe]. *Studi Organizzativi*, 1, 97-122.
- Verzelloni, L. (2019). "Seguendo come un'ombra il diritto. Riflessioni sull'impiego dello shadowing nella sociologia del diritto" [Following the law as a shadow: Reflections on the use of shadowing in Sociology of law]. Sociologia del diritto, 1, 23-51.
- Verzelloni, L. (2017). "Inside the Italian Law Firms". Sortuz. Oñati Journal of Emergent Sociolegal Studies, 9, 1, 25-45.
- Piana, D., Verzelloni, L. (2016). "Dal centro disperso al centro ritrovato? Riflessioni a partire dalle riforme della giustizia in Italia" [From the lost center to the rediscovered center? Reflections starting from the justice reforms in Italy]. *Quaderni di Scienza Politica*, anno XXIII, 2.
- Verzelloni, L. (2016). "Beyond the Provisional Nature: Towards a Radial Concept of Practice". Teoria e Prática em Administração, 6, 2, 1-25.
- Verzelloni, L. (2015). "Building Bridges between the Legal Professions: the case of the Italian Observatories of Civil Justice". Sortuz. Oñati Journal of Emergent Socio-legal Studies, 7, 2, 121-140.
- Verzelloni, L. (2012). "Behind the judges' desk: an ethnographic study on the Italian courts of justice". *International Journal for Court Administration*, 4, 2, 75-82.
- Corradi, G., Gherardi, S., Verzelloni, L. (2010). "Through the practice lens: where is the bandwagon of practice-based studies heading?". *Management Learning*, 41, 3, 265-283.

# INVITED CONFERENCES AND COURSES

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- 2018 Methodology assessment ENCJ report on independence & accountability of the judiciary, organized by European Network of Councils for the Judiciary, Utrecht, The Netherlands, 12-13 April 2018.
- **2017** International course "*Training to leadership leaders' training needs*", organized by the Italian Council for the Judiciary and the European Judicial Training Network (EJTN), Rome, Italy, 15-16 May 2017.
- 2016 ENCJ South-Western Seminar on Timeliness, organized by the European Network of Councils for the Judiciary and Spanish General Council of the Judiciary, Madrid, Spain, 28-30 November 2016.
- **2016** International workshop "*Corruption in a national and comparative perspective*", organized by University Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid, Spain, 27-28 June 2016.

#### ORGANIZATIION OF TRAINING COURSES DEDICATED TO LEGAL PROFESSIONALS

- Italian Higher School of the Judiciary and decentralized structures: 37 training courses [30 inperson, 5 online, and 2 blended], of which 19 as scientific coordinator.
- Italian Council for Justice: 4 in-person training courses.
- University of Milano-Bicocca: coordination of the executive course "Organization and Digital Transformation of Justice" (September-October 2023).
- Permanent Observatory of Justice (OPJ): 1 summer school and 2 online training courses, of which 1 as scientific coordinator.
- Center for the Organization, Management, and Computerization of Judicial Offices (CO-MIUG): collaboration in the organization of 2 summer schools (2006 and 2009).