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EMPLOYMENT

May 2006-present: Assistant Professor in Social Psychology, Department of Psychology,
University of Milano-Bicocca

EDUCATION

- 2004-2008: Ph.D. in Personality and Social Psychology, University of Padova (Italy)
- 2001-2002: Master (MSc) in Social Psychology, University of Surrey (England)
- 1992-1999. Degree in Psychology, University of Padova (Italy)

VISITING

- Sept.2006/Dec.2006: Visiting Student Research Collaborator - Department of Psychology, Princeton University (U.S.A.), Advisor: Prof. S.T. Fiske
- Oct. 2000/March 2001: Visiting Student - Department of Psychology, University of Dundee, Scotland, Advisor: Dr. F. Sani.

TEACHING

- Social Cognition (2017-present; Master Level; University of Milano-Bicocca)
- Developmental Social Psychology (2009-2017; Master Level; University of Milano-Bicocca)
- Health Psychology (2010; Workshop; University of Milan-Bicocca)
- Social Psychology (2006-2010; Undergraduate level; University of Milano-Bicocca)
- Developmental Psychology (2003; Undergraduate level - University Ca' Foscari, Venice)

CURRENT FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

- Member of the Doctoral Program in Psychology, Linguistics, and Cognitive Neuroscience, Department of Psychology, University of Milano-Bicocca

MAIN RESEARCH INTERESTS

The social psychology of wealth inequality

Gender Inclusive Language
The social psychology of stereotype and prejudice
Cross-cultural psychology
Social identity and intergroup relations
Women objectification

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles:

- Abbondanza, M., Galimberti, V., Bonomi, V., Reverberi, C., Durante, F., & Foppolo, F., (2025). Neutralizing gender in role nouns: Investigating the effect of ə in written and oral Italian. *Frontiers in Communication*, 9:1530778. 10.3389/fcomm.2024.1530778
- Galdi, S., De Cristofaro, V., Zogmaister, C., & Durante, F. (2025). Reducing gender economic inequality: Exploring the role of emotions and gender hierarchy. *Analyses of Social Issues and Public Policy*, 25(3), e70042. First published online, 28 November 2025, <https://doi.org/10.1111/asap.70042>
- Gabbiadini, A., Durante, F., Baldissarri, C., Manfredi, A., Sterlicchio, A. & Romano, S. (2025). Artificial intelligence in the workplace: Effects on self-efficacy, self-objectification and beliefs in free will. *Journal of Community & Applied Social Psychology*, 35 (3). <https://doi.org/10.1002/casp.70107>
- Gabbiadini, A., Durante, F., Baldissarri, C., Andrighetto, L. (2024). Artificial Intelligence in the eyes of society: Assessing social risk and social value perception in a novel classification. *Human Behavior and Emerging Technologies*, 24. 10.1155/2024/7008056
- Gáspár, A., Cervone, C., Durante, F., Maass, A., Suitner, C., Valtorta, R., et al. (2024). Inequality perception and preferences globally and locally - correlational evidence from a large-scale cross-country survey. *The Journal of Economic Inequality*. 10.1007/s10888-024-09647-4
- Valtorta, R., Vezzoli, M., Mari, S., Durante, F., Volpato, C. (2024). Measuring Subjective Inequality: Development and Validation of the Perceived Economic Inequality Scale (PEIS). *The Spanish Journal of Psychology*, 27. 10.1017/SJP.2024.4
- Vezzoli, M., Valtorta, R., Gáspár, A., Cervone, C., Durante, F., Maass, A., et al. (2024). Why are some countries rich and others poor? Development and validation of the attributions for Cross-Country Inequality Scale (ACIS). *PLOS ONE*, 19(2) 10.1371/journal.pone.0298222
- Gáspár, A., Cervone, C., Durante, F., Maass, A., Suitner, C., Valtorta, R., et al. (2023). A twofold subjective measure of income inequality. *Social Indicators Research*, 168(1-3), 25-43. doi:10.1007/s11205-023-03121-w

- Galdi, S., Durante, F., Maass, A. (2023). Dishonesty When the Game Is Unfair: Experimental evidence for the effect of economic inequality on tax evasion and cheating. *Social Psychology*, 54(6), 337-347. 10.1027/1864-9335/a000531
- Vezzoli, M., Valtorta, R., Mari, S., Durante, F., Volpato, C. (2023). Effects of objective and subjective indicators of economic inequality on subjective well-being: Underlying mechanisms. *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*, 53, 85-100. doi:10.1111/jasp.12928
- Friebs, M., Kotzur, P., Kraus, C., Schemmerling, M., Herzig, J., Stanciu, A., et al. (2022). Warmth and competence perceptions of key protagonists are associated with containment measures during the COVID-19 pandemic: Evidence from 35 countries. *Scientific Reports*, 12(1). doi:10.1038/s41598-022-25228-9.
- Giner-Sorolla, R., Hilton, D., Erb, H., Durante, F., Flaßbeck, C., Fulop, E., Mari, S., Petrović, N., Sekerdej, M., Studzinska, A., Skitka, L., Washburn, A., Zadora, A (2021). Assigning moral roles within the Second World War in Europe: National similarities, differences, and implications for group-level moral representations. *Asian Journal of Social Psychology*, 24, 272-288. doi:10.1111/ajsp.12450
- Borinca, I., Falomir - Pichastor, J., Andrighetto, L., & Durante, F. (2021). Outgroup Prejudice and Perceptions of Prosocial Intergroup Behaviors *European Journal of Social Psychology*, 51(1), 40-53. doi:10.1002/ejsp.2712
- Brandt, M., Kuppens, T., Spears, R., Andrighetto, L., Autin, F., Babincak, P., et al. (2020). Subjective Status and Perceived Legitimacy across Countries. *European Journal of Social Psychology*, 50(5), 921-942. doi:10.1002/ejsp.2694
- Gabbiadini, A., Baldissarri, C., Durante, F., Valtorta, R.R., De Rosa, M. & Gallucci, M (2020). Together apart: The mitigating role of digital communication technologies on negative affect during the COVID-19 outbreak in Italy. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 11:554678. doi:10.3389/fpsyg.2020.554678
- Zogmaister, C., Durante, F., Mari, S., Crippa, F., & Volpato, C. (2020). Measuring objectification through the Body Inversion Paradigm: Methodological issues. *PLoS ONE* 15(2): e0229161. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0229161>
- Grigoryan, L., Bai, X., Durante, F., Fiske, S. T., Fabrykant, M., Hakobjanyan, A., et al. (2020). Stereotypes as Historical Accidents: Images of Social Class in Postcommunist Versus Capitalist Societies. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, 46(6), 927-943. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0146167219881434>
- Bouchat, P., Licata, L., Rosoux, V., Allesch, C., Ammerer, H., Babinska, M., et al. (2019). Greedy elites and poor lambs: How young Europeans remember the Great War. *Journal of Social and Political Psychology*, 7(1), 52-75. doi:10.5964/jspp.v7i1.781
- Bouchat, P., Licata, L., Rosoux, V., Allesch, C., Ammerer, H., Bovina, I., et al. (2019). 100 years after: What is the relation between pacifist attitudes and social representations the Great War? *Peace and Conflict*, 25(2), 129-139. doi: 10.1037/pac0000359

- Fasoli, F., Durante, F., Mari, S., Zogmaister, C., & Volpato, C. (2018). Shades of sexualization: When sexualization becomes sexual objectification. *Sex Roles, 78*(5-6), 338–351. doi:10.1007/s11199-017-0808-1
- Durante, F. & Fiske, S. T. (2017). How social-class stereotypes maintain inequality. *Current Opinion in Psychology, 18*, 43–48. doi:10.1016/j.copsy.2017.07.033
- Bouchat, P., Licata L., Rosoux, V. ...Durante, F....et al. (2017). A Century of victimhood: Antecedents and current impacts of perceived suffering in World War I across Europe. *European Journal of Social Psychology, 47*, 195-208. doi:10.1002/ejsp.2232
- Burkley, E., Durante, F., Fiske, S. T., Burkley, M., & Andrade, A. (2017). Structure and content of Native American stereotypic subgroups: Not just (ig)noble. *Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology, 23*(2), 209-219. doi:10.1037/cdp0000100
- Durante, F., Bearns Tablante, C. & Fiske, S. T. (2017). Poor but warm, rich but cold (and competent): Social classes in the Stereotype Content Model. *Journal of Social Issues, 73*(1), 138-157 . doi:10.1111/josi.12208
- Durante, F., Fiske, S. T., Gelfand, M., Crippa, F., Suttora, C., Stillwell, A., et al. (2017). Ambivalent stereotypes link to peace, conflict, and inequality across 38 Nations. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America (PNAS), 114*(4), 669-674. doi:10.1073/pnas.1611874114
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- Durante, F., Capozza, D., & Fiske, S. T. (2010). The stereotype content model: The role played by competence in inferring group status. *Testing, Psychometrics, Methodology in Applied Psychology, 17*, 1-13. doi:10.4473/TPM.17.4.1
- Durante, F., Volpato, C., & Fiske, S.T. (2010). Using the Stereotype Content Model to examine group depictions in Fascism: An archival approach. *European Journal of Social Psychology, 40*, 465-483. doi:[10.1002/ejsp.637](https://doi.org/10.1002/ejsp.637)
- Mari, S., Andrighetto, L., Gabbiadini, A., Durante, F., & Volpato, C. (2010). The shadow of the Italian colonial experience: The impact of collective emotions on the intentions to help the victims' descendants. *International Journal of Conflict and Violence, 4*, 58-74. doi:[10.4119/UNIBI/ijcv.66](https://doi.org/10.4119/UNIBI/ijcv.66)

- Volpato, C., Durante, F., Gabbiadini, A., Andrighetto, L., & Mari, S. (2010). Picturing the other: Targets of delegitimization across time. *International Journal of Conflict and Violence*, 4, 269-287. doi:[10.4119/UNIBI/ijcv.71](https://doi.org/10.4119/UNIBI/ijcv.71)
- Volpato, C., Manganelli Rattazzi, A. M., Mucchi Faina, A., Canova, L., & Durante, F. (2010). Arroganza, competenza, calore? L'immagine degli Stati Uniti nel contesto italiano. *Psicologia Sociale*, 5, 55-76. doi:10.1482/32019
- Durante, F., Pasin, A., & Trifiletti, E. (2009). Applying the SCM to a specific intergroup relationship: Northern versus Southern Italians. *Testing, Psychometrics, Methodology in Applied Psychology*, 16, 141-150. doi:[10.4473/TPM.16.3.3](https://doi.org/10.4473/TPM.16.3.3)
- Boccatto, G., Capozza, D., Falvo, R., & Durante, F. (2008). The missing link: Ingroup, outgroup and the human species. *Social Cognition*, 26, 224-234. doi:[10.1521/soco.2008.26.2.224](https://doi.org/10.1521/soco.2008.26.2.224)
- Volpato, C., Durante, F., & Cantone, A. (2007). "Popolo di poeti, artisti, eroi, navigatori..." Lo stereotipo dell'italiano in epoca fascista. *Giornale Italiano di Psicologia*, 34(4), 851-875. doi: 10.1421/25835
- Volpato, C. & Durante, F. (2003). Delegitimization and racism. The social construction of anti-Semitism in Italy. *New Review of Social Psychology*, 2, 286-296.

International Book Chapters:

- Mari, S., Bentrovato, D., Durante, F., & Wasserman, J. (2020). Collective victimhood resulting from structural violence. In J.R. Vollhardt (Ed.), *The social psychology of collective victimhood* (pp. 231-251). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.
- Fiske, S. T., & Durante, F. (2019). Mutual status stereotypes maintain inequality. In J. Jetten & K. Peters (Eds.), *The social psychology of inequality* (pp. 335-348). Cham: Springer Nature Switzerland.
- Durante, F. (2018). Ambivalence. In Young Yun Kim (Ed.), *International Encyclopedia of Intercultural Communication (IE-ICC)*. Wiley-Blackwell: Indianapolis, IN. ISBN print version: 9781118783948. Online ISBN: 9781118783665 doi:10.1002/9781118783665.ieicc0196
- Fiske, S. T., & Durante, F. (2016). Stereotype content across cultures: Variations on a few themes. In M. J. Gelfand, C.-Y. Chiu, & Y.-Y. Hong (Eds.), *Handbook of Advances in Culture and Psychology* (Vol. 6, pp. 209-258). New York: Oxford University Press. doi:10.1093/acprof:oso/9780190458850.003.0005
- Fiske, S. T., & Durante, F. (2014). Never trust a politician? Collective distrust, relational accountability, and voter response. In J-W van Prooijen & P. A. M. van Lange (Eds), *Power, Politics, and Paranoia: Why people are suspicious about their leaders* (pp. 91-105). Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press. doi:10.1017/CBO9781139565417.009
- Sarini, M., Durante, F., & Gabbiadini, A. (2009). Workflow Management Social Systems: A New Socio-psychological Perspective on Process Management. In C. Bussler, & A. Haller (a cura di), *Business Process Management Workshops*. Heidelberg : Springer. - ISBN: 978-3-642-12185-2. doi:10.1007/978-3-642-12186-9_22

Volpato, C., Durante, F. (2003). Représentations sociales et histoire: La construction du racisme en Italie sous le Fascisme. In M. Lavallée, S. Vincent, C. Ouellet & C. Garnier (Eds.), *Les Représentations Sociales. Constructions nouvelles* (pp. 109-122). Quebec: <http://geirso.uqam.ca/publicat>.

National Book Chapters:

Volpato, C., Andrighetto, L., Mari, S., Gabbiadini, A., & Durante, F. (2012). "Italiani brava gente." Effetti di un mito storico sulle relazioni sociali contemporanee. In *Dietro il pregiudizio. Il contributo della psicologia sociale all'analisi di una società multiculturale* (pp. 137-150). Napoli: Liguori.

Bresciani, S., Durante, F., & Tagini, A. (2011). Stile di attaccamento e cultura. In C. Volpato (Ed.), *Nuovi cittadini. I giovani immigrati tra accoglienza e rifiuto* (pp. 201-231). Milano: Unicopli.

Volpato, C., & Durante, F. (2010). Tra paternalismo e disprezzo: Gli stereotipi dei gruppi immigrati in Italia. In B. Mazzara (Ed.), *L'incontro interculturale: Forme, processi, percorsi* (pp. 85-96). Milan: Unicopli.

Molinelli, R., Durante, F., & Volpato, C. (2009). Analisi lessicali e testi religiosi: primi risultati su Vangeli e Corano. In G. Rossi, & M. Aletti (Eds.), *Psicologia della religione e teoria dell'attaccamento* (pp. 215-223). Roma : Aracne. - ISBN: 978-88-548-2468-3

Durante, F., & Volpato, C. (2006). I gruppi sociali nel Corano. Un'analisi esplorativa. In M. Aletti, D. Fagnani & G. Rossi (Eds.), *Religione: cultura, mente e cervello. Nuove prospettive in Psicologia della religione* (pp. 271-282). Torino: Centro Scientifico Editore.

Articles for the general public:

Durante, F. (2014). Percepire gli altri: Il ruolo fondamentale di calore e competenza. *In-Mind Magazine*, 6. <http://it.in-mind.org/article/percepire-gli-altri-il-ruolo-fondamentale-di-calore-e-competenza>

Volpato, C. & Durante, F. (2009). Empowering the "Jewish threat": The Protocols of the Elders of Zion. *Journal of US-China Public Administration*, 6, 23-36.

Volpato, C., & Durante, F. (2007). Il falso e la propaganda. Analisi psicosociale dei Protocolli dei Savi di Sion. *Psicologia Contemporanea*, 202, 6-12.

Volpato, C. & Durante, F. (2005). Come eravamo: immagini di gruppi in epoca fascista. *Psicologia Contemporanea*, 190, 52-58.

SELECTED TALKS AND POSTERS

Durante, F. & Fiske S.T. (2018). *Inequality and Ambivalent Social Class Stereotypes Across Countries*". Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Annual Convention - Preconference: "The Psychology of Inequality and Social Class". Atlanta (GA), USA. March, 1-3. Oral presentation, Invited speaker.

- Durante, F., Fiske, S. T., Gelfand, M., Crippa, F., Suttora, C., Stilwell, A., et al. (2017). *Does conflict affect ambivalent stereotypes? Evidence from 38 nations*. 18th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP), Granada (Spain), July 5-8 2017. Poster session.
- Durante, F., Fiske, S. T., Gelfand, M., & Stilwell, A. (2014). *Income inequality, conflict and ambivalence in stereotype content*. The Great Recession and Social Class Divides - SPSSI-EASP meeting. Princeton (U.S.A.), September 4-6. Invited speaker.
- Durante, F., Fiske, S. T., Kervyn, N., Cuddy, A. et al. (2011). *Inequality increases ambivalence in the SCM: Cross-national patterns*. 16th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP). Stockholm (Sweden), July 12-16. Symposium session.
- Durante, F., Volpato, C., & Gabbiadini, A. (2009). *Are immigrant women and men perceived the same way? A study of their stereotype contents in the Italian society*. 32nd Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP), Dublin (Ireland), July 14-17. Poster session.
- Durante F., Volpato, C., & Fiske, S. T. (2008). *Using Stereotype Content Model to examine the evils of Fascism: An archival approach*. 9th Annual Meeting of the Society of Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). Albuquerque (NM) - U.S.A, February 7-9. Poster session.
- Capozza, D., Volpato, C., & Durante, F. (2006). *Religion and Politics. An analysis of the Koran*. 29th Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP). Barcelona (Spain), July 12-15. Poster Session.
- Durante F. (2006). *Using contemporary social psychology to examine the evils of Fascism: An archival approach*. Invited talk at the Department of Psychology, University of Delaware (US), October 4.
- Volpato, C., & Durante, F. (2006). *Persuasion et histoire. Le cas des Protocoles des Sages de Sion*. Sixième Congrès International de Psychologie Sociale en la Langue Française. Grenoble (France), August 30 – September 2. Symposium session.
- Volpato, C. & Durante, F (2005). *Group images in the Fascist period*. 14th General Meeting of the European Association of Experimental Social Psychology (EAESP). Würzburg (Germany), July 19-23. Symposium session.
- Volpato, C. & Durante, F. (2004). *Entre mémoire et oubli: Transformations de l'autostéréotype italien*. V Congrès International de Psychologie en Langue Française, Losanna (France), September 1-4. Symposium session.

GRANTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

2023-2025: Gender bias in language: Testing INclusive Italian language feasibility and impact (INCITə). Funded by PRIN 2022 (PI Prof. Francesca Foppolo, University of Milano-Bicocca).

2022: Reducing gender inequalities through language: efficacy and feasibility of Italian gender-inclusive language. Funded by Fondazione Cariplo (PI Prof. Francesca Foppolo, University of Milano-Bicocca)

2019-2023: *The Psychology of Economic Inequality*. Funded by PRIN 2017 (PI Prof. Anne Maass, University of Padua).

2018-2019: *Stereotypes as historical accidents: Images of social class in post-Communist versus Capitalist societies*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI).

2017-2018: *Investigation on the perception of economic inequality in Italy*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI).

2014-2017: *From media to sexual harassment: when women become objects*. Funded by PRIN 2012 (PI Prof. Anne Maass, University of Padua).

2016-2017: *Social Class: Attitudes and stereotype content toward lower- middle- and upper-class individuals*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI).

2012-2016: *Social psychological dynamics of historical representations in the enlarged European Union*. ISCH COST Action IS1205. Chair of the Action Prof. Laurent Licata.

2015-2016: *Does the way women are objectified by media impact what women think about their ingroup?* Intramural Funding FAR (PI).

2014-2015: *The communication of emotions in interethnic relationships among adolescents*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI).

2013-2014: *The experience of migration and its impact on parenting practices*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI).

2012-2013: *Mapping groups across societies: Generating comparative data*. Subcontract from Center for Law and Human Behavior, University of Texas at El Paso, funded by Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice. (PI Prof. Susan T. Fiske).

2011-2012: *The effects of the stereotype threat on immigrant children's writing performances*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI).

2010-2011: *Attitudes toward body weight in elementary school children*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI).

2009-2010: *Italian Colonialism: Guilt, shame, and reparation intentions*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI Prof. Chiara Volpato, University of Milan-Bicocca).

2008-2009: *Differential effects of cognitive and affective messages on behavioral changes concerning health*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI Prof. Chiara Volpato, University of Milan-Bicocca).

2007-2008: *The groups socio-structural relations: the role played by competence and warmth*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI Prof. Chiara Volpato, University of Milan-Bicocca).

2006-2007: *Conspiracy and persuasion: Analyses of the social influence strategies in the Protocols of the Elders of Zion*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI Prof. Chiara Volpato, University of Milan-Bicocca).

2005-2006: *Acculturation strategies of immigrants in the Italian society*. Intramural Funding FAR (PI Prof. Chiara Volpato, University of Milan-Bicocca).

2002 – 2005: *Expressions of favoritism in a religious text: the social groups representation in the Koran*. Funded by COFIN, 2002. Scientific Coordinator: Prof. C. Volpato, University of Milan-Bicocca (Italy).

May/Sept. 2004: *Verifying models coming from the Contact Hypothesis*. Funded by COFIN, 2003. Scientific Coordinator: Prof. Dora Capozza, University of Padova (Italy).

AD HOC REVIEWER

Aggression and Violent Behavior, Analyses of Social Issues and Public Policy, British Journal of Social Psychology, Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology, Group Processes and Intergroup Relations, Frontiers, International Journal of Psychology, International Journal of Intercultural Relations, Journal of Applied Social Psychology, Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, Journal of Language and Social Psychology, Personality & Social Psychology Bulletin, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, Science, Social Development, Social Psychology, Social Psychological and Personality Science, Testing Psychometrics and Methodology in Applied Psychology, Ricerche di Psicologia, Psicologia Sociale