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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Nov 2019–present	Associate Professor of Social Psychology Department of Psychology, University of Milano-Bicocca
Nov 2016–Oct 2019	Tenure-track Assistant Professor (RTD-B), Social Psychology Department of Psychology, University of Milano-Bicocca
Jan 2011–Oct 2016	Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Social Psychology Department of Psychology, University of Milano-Bicocca

EDUCATION

Oct 2006–Jan 2011	PhD in Social, Cognitive and Clinical Psychology, University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy Dissertation: Antecedents and consequences of social and physical pain
Oct 2000–Jul 2005	Five-year degree in Psychology (Laurea, pre-Bologna system), University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy; 110/110 cum laude

VISITING POSITIONS

Jun–Sep 2018	Visiting Scholar, Department of Educational and Psychological Studies, University of Miami, USA
Feb 2009–May 2010	Visiting PhD Student, Department of Psychological Sciences, Purdue University, USA; advisor: Kipling D. Williams

HONORS AND AWARDS

2023	Co-author of the article receiving the Best Scientific Article Award, Social Psychology Section of the Italian Association of Psychology (AIP): "To whom should I turn? Intergroup social connections moderate social exclusion's short- and long-term psychological impact on immigrants."
2021	Co-author of the article receiving the Lucia Mannetti Award for Best Article, AIP Social Psychology Section: "Surrendering to social emptiness: Chronic social exclusion longitudinally predicts resignation in asylum seekers."
2021	Co-author of "Mom, Dad, Look at Me: The development of the Parental Phubbing Scale," recipient of one of two Best Scientific Article Awards, AIP Social Psychology Section.
2020	Co-author of "Connessioni sociali nell'era digitale" [Social connections in the digital era], recipient of the Best Popular Science Article Award, AIP Social Psychology Section.
2016	Young Talents Award, University of Milano-Bicocca, second place in the relevant disciplinary area; award under the patronage of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei.
2016	Co-author of "When social inclusion is not enough: Implicit expectations of extreme inclusion in borderline personality disorder," recipient of the International Society of Transference-Focused Psychotherapy Research Award.
2013	Special Jury Award, SISSA International Summer School in Social Cognitive Neuroscience, for "Neural Regulation of Social Bias: Stimulating the dlPFC to Modulate Implicit Prejudice."
2011	Doctoral dissertation award, AIP Social Psychology Section; "Antecedents and consequences of social and physical pain" was one of three dissertations awarded in 2011.
2007	CURA Award, AGC Onlus, for an oral presentation on healthcare professionals' representations of pain.

RESEARCH FUNDING AND PROJECTS

Research Projects

2026–present	Research-team member, "Reducing Hypersensitivity to Rejection in Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD) through Brain Stimulation: A Novel Approach," coordinated by Chiara De Panfilis. AE Research Foundation funding €94,700; University of Parma is the administrative beneficiary and Milano-Bicocca a collaborating centre.
2023–2026	Principal Investigator and national coordinator, PRIN "Human Connections in the Digital Era (CONNECT)," Italian Ministry of University and Research. Total project cost €219,363; cost of the Milano-Bicocca coordinating unit €80,864, including €73,512 funded by the Ministry.
2023–2026	Research-team member, PRIN PNRR "Digital Ostracism (DIGOST): Psychological approaches for understanding the phenomenon and tackling its adverse impact on well-being"; PI Luca Pancani; total funding €224,948.
2020–2022	Project lead, "CoVid-19 Impact on the General Population and Vulnerable Social Groups: From Community to Action (VISCA)," supported by a €25,000 Milano-Bicocca competitive university grant for a 12-month research fellowship. The award followed an above-threshold evaluation of the corresponding Horizon 2020 proposal, for which Riva was scientific lead of the Milano-Bicocca unit.
2020–2022	Partner Investigator, Australian Research Council Discovery Project DP200101845, "Brain systems implicated in alcohol-related aggression"; Chief Investigator Thomas F. Denson; total funding AUD 354,177.

2020	Scientific proposer, with Patrice Rusconi and Konstantin Chterev, of "Investigating social isolation in Moon-like environments," competitively selected as an external research project for the LUNARK analogue lunar mission in Greenland.
2019–2022	Member of the Milano-Bicocca unit, PRIN "The Psychology of Economic Inequality"; PI Anne Maass; Milano-Bicocca unit lead Chiara Volpato; total ministerial funding €635,890.
2018–2020	Scientific proposer and research supervisor, Fondazione ALSOS research fellowship "Vulnerability and resilience in reception settings in Italy: An intervention study"; funding €45,000; one of 15 projects selected from more than 240 proposals.
2018–2020	Member of the Milano-Bicocca unit, Fondazione Cariplo "Smart FLOod RIsk MAnagement Policies (FLORIMAP)"; PI Renzo Rosso; Milano-Bicocca unit lead Simona Sacchi; total funding €200,000.
2018–2024	Recipient and manager of annually allocated Milano-Bicocca university research funds (ATE/FAQD), totalling €10,400 across the period.
2017	Co-proposer with Simona Sacchi (PI) and Juliette Richetin, "Cognition, attitudes and behaviour toward nature and environmental resources"; €25,000 Milano-Bicocca competitive university funding following evaluation of the ReMaRe proposal submitted to Fondazione Cariplo.
2016	Scientific proposer and research supervisor, "How can early adolescents cope with social exclusion at school? A test of emotion regulation strategies," selected by Fondazione CARITRO and conducted at the University of Trento; funding €40,000.

Individual Research and Travel Grants

2017	FFABR basic research funding awarded through the Italian National Agency for the Evaluation of Universities and Research Institutes (ANVUR); individual allocation €3,000.
2017	Individual Fondazione Cariplo contribution of €1,250 to support participation in the Small Group Meeting on Ostracism, Social Exclusion and Rejection (Vitznau) and the EASP General Meeting (Granada).
2014	AIP Social Psychology Section internationalisation travel grant (€250) for participation in the EASP General Meeting (Amsterdam).

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

1. Lisco, A., Fabietti, C., Riccardi, S., Roscigno, F., Preti, E., **Riva, P.**, & De Panfilis, C. (2026). Altered responses to social closeness and rule violations in obsessive-compulsive personality disorder. *Borderline Personality Disorder and Emotion Dysregulation*. Advance online publication. https://doi.org/10.1186/s40479-026-00370-2
2. Gasparini, I., Marinucci, M., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2026). Bridging the digital divide: How smartphones are associated with physical, psychological, and social well-being in marginalized groups. *Cyberpsychology: Journal of Psychosocial Research on Cyberspace*, *20*(4), Article 11. https://doi.org/10.5817/CP2026-4-11
3. Marinucci, M., **Riva, P.**, Traversa, T., & Magrin, M. E. (2026). Between the bars: Virtual reality and physical prison simulations link to reduced prejudice against incarcerated people. *Computers in Human Behavior*, *183*, Article 109048. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chb.2026.109048
4. Gasparini, I., Telari, A., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2026). Seeing and being seen: Webcams, videoconferencing, and the experience of ostracism. *Human Behavior and Emerging Technologies*, *2026*(1), Article 8261181. https://doi.org/10.1155/hbe2/8261181
5. Traversa, T., Foran, A.-M., Marinucci, M., Pancani, L., **Riva, P.**, & Jetten, J. (2026). To be or not to be (a prisoner): Social identification as cure and curse via self-stigma and social exclusion. *British Journal of Social Psychology*, *65*(2), Article e70082. https://doi.org/10.1111/bjso.70082

6. Summerell, E., Bradley, J., Thalody, K., Ford, K., Gilam, G., **Riva, P.**, & Denson, T. F. (2026). Transcranial direct current stimulation over the ventrolateral prefrontal cortex in intoxicated individuals during anger regulation. *Current Psychology*, *45*(9), Article 924. https://doi.org/10.1007/s12144-026-09449-z

7. Telari, A., Gabbiadini, A., & **Riva, P**. (2026). Can humans feel connected to AI? Perceived responsiveness drives social connection with AI chatbots. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, *43*(9), 2579–2600. https://doi.org/10.1177/02654075261438164

8. Gerra, M. L., Ardizzi, M., Ossola, P., Martorana, S., Leoni, V., **Riva, P**., Preti, E., Marchesi, C., De Panfilis, C., & Gallese, V. (2026). A cross-sectional study of social exclusion in schizophrenia: Emotional blunting and autonomic arousal in response to Cyberball. *The Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease*, *214*(1), 18–24. https://doi.org/10.1097/NMD.0000000000001864

9. **Riva, P.**, Marinucci, M., Telari, A., & Pancani, L. (2026). Updating the temporal need-threat model of ostracism: Challenges and future directions. *The Journal of Social Psychology*, *166*(1), 26–38. https://doi.org/10.1080/00224545.2025.2572648

10. Telari, A., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2025). The phantom pain of ghosting: Multi-day experiments comparing the reactions to ghosting and rejection. *Computers in Human Behavior*, *172*, Article 108756. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chb.2025.108756

11. Traversa, T., Marinucci, M., Tortù, I., **Riva, P**., & Pancani, L. (2025). Stronger together: How social interactions with colleagues promote prison officers' well-being through social identity. *Journal of Community & Applied Social Psychology*, *35*(5), Article e70162. https://doi.org/10.1002/casp.70162

12. Schokkenbroek, J. M., Telari, A., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2025). What is (not) ghosting? A theoretical analysis via three key pillars. *Computers in Human Behavior*, *168*, Article 108637. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chb.2025.108637

13. De Panfilis, C., Lisco, A., Meehan, K., Gerra, M. L., Preti, E., **Riva, P**., & Romero Lauro, L. J. (2025). Longitudinal effects of transcranial direct current stimulation on daily rejection-related emotions in borderline personality disorder: An ecological momentary assessment study protocol. *Brain Sciences*, *15*(5), 530. https://doi.org/10.3390/brainsci15050530

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15. Marinucci, M., Tortù, I., Traversa, T., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P.** (2025). Transforming prison culture: Supportive norms enhance prison officers' well-being and prosociality toward detained people. *Journal of Criminal Psychology*, *15*(7), 15–30. https://doi.org/10.1108/JCP-12-2024-0145

16. Lisco, A., Gallucci, A., Fabietti, C., Fornaroli, A., Marchesi, C., Preti, E., **Riva, P**., De Panfilis, C., & Romero Lauro, L. J. (2025). Reduction of rejection-related emotions by transcranial direct current stimulation over right ventrolateral prefrontal cortex in borderline personality disorder: A double-blind randomized pilot study. *Psychiatry and Clinical Neurosciences*, *79*(5), 239–247. https://doi.org/10.1111/pcn.13792

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20. Telari, A., **Riva, P**., Perugini, M., & Pancani, L. (2024). Converting smartphone interference into favorable consequences for social interactions: the "resisting phubbing" phenomenon. *Social Influence*, *19*(1), 2433943. https://doi.org/10.1080/15534510.2024.2433943

21. Summerell, E., Xiao, W., Huang, C., Terranova, J., Gilam, G., **Riva, P.**, & Denson, T. F. (2024). The effects of transcranial direct current stimulation over the ventromedial prefrontal cortex on reactive aggression in intoxicated and sober individuals. *Biological Psychology*, *193*, 108899. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biopsycho.2024.108899

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INVITED TALKS

1. **Riva, P.** (2026). *Temporal Dimensions of Social Exclusion: Insights and Challenges for the Need-Threat Model*. Invited keynote lecture at SoDoc 2026, international doctoral workshop in social psychology, RPTU University Kaiserslautern-Landau, Landau campus, Germany, September 22, 2026.
2. **Riva, P.** (2025). *Temporal dimensions of social exclusion: Insights and challenges for the need-threat model*. Departmental colloquium, Applied Social Psychology, Faculty of Psychology and Neuroscience, Maastricht University, Maastricht, The Netherlands, November 13, 2025.
3. **Riva, P.** (2024). *Human connections in the digital era*. Invited talk within the Master's Degree Course in Social Psychology, Faculty of Psychology, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Milan, Italy, May 16, 2024.
4. **Riva, P**. (2024). *A journey into human connections and disconnections: Social influences, technology, and temporal aspects of ostracism*. Invited talk at the Midwestern Psychological Association (MPA) Annual Meeting, symposium *A Festschrift Honoring Dr. Kip Williams: Finally Being Included*, Chicago, USA, April 18, 2024.
5. **Riva, P.** (2023). *Regulating reactions to social exclusion: Psychological and neural approaches*. Invited talk at the International Research Training Group (IRTG), Germany, June 6, 2023.
6. **Riva, P**. (2022). *Brain mechanisms to regulate reactions to social exclusion*. Departmental Colloquium, University of Messina, Italy, June 20, 2022.
7. **Riva, P**. (2022). *The role of digital technologies in individual and relational development*. Invited talk within the course Adolescence and Digital Transformation, organized by Giunti Psychometrics.
8. **Riva, P.** (2019). *Social connections in the digital Era*. Invited talk at the Università della Svizzera italiana (USI), Lugano, Switzerland, November 23, 2019.
9. **Riva, P**. (2019). *The evaluation process of the Marie Sklodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships*. Speaker at the Pre-conference Workshop, XVI National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology – Social Psychology Section, Rome, Italy, September 12–14, 2019.
10. **Riva, P.** (2019). *Brain mechanisms to regulate reactions to social exclusion*. Invited talk at the symposium The Cognitive Neuroscience of Action Control and Cooperation – In Honor of Uta and Chris Frith, University of Milano-Bicocca, Milan, Italy, June 17, 2019.
11. **Riva, P**. (2019). *Social connections in the digital Era*. Invited talk at IBIS – Innovative Technologies for Well-being and School Inclusion, Milan, Italy, June 14, 2019.
12. **Riva, P.** (2019). *New technologies and social media: Critical issues and hidden opportunities*. Invited talk at the conference Technologies and Social Media: Life Models and Integration Processes in Teaching, Education, and Rehabilitation, Milan, Italy, May 16, 2019.
13. **Riva, P.** (2019). *Social connections in the digital Era*. Invited talk at the seminar Digital Technology and Well-being: Research Perspectives, Milan, Italy, March 15, 2019.
14. **Riva, P.** (2018). *The contribution of social neurosciences to the study of social isolation*. Invited talk at the conference Health and Well-being Between Individuals and Their Relationships, organized by the Ordine degli Psicologi dell'Umbria and the Italian Association of Psychology, Terni, Italy, October 5, 2018.
15. **Riva, P.** (2018). Departmental colloquium, University of Miami, Department of Educational & Psychological Studies, USA, September 12, 2018.
16. **Riva, P.** (2018). Departmental colloquium, Sapienza University of Rome, Department of Psychology, Italy, February 13, 2018.
17. **Riva, P.** (2017). Departmental colloquium, University of Basel, Department of Psychology, Switzerland, November 16, 2017.
18. **Riva, P.** (2017). *Reducing the impact of social exclusion*. Invited talk at the Small Group Meeting on Ostracism, Social Exclusion, and Rejection, Lake Lucerne, Switzerland, June 29 – July 2, 2017.
19. **Riva, P.** (2017). *The Many Faces of Social Exclusion*. Invited seminar, Department of Psychology and Cognitive Science, University of Trento, Rovereto, Italy, February 24, 2017.
20. **Riva, P.** (2017). Departmental colloquium, The Ohio State University, Department of Psychology, USA, January 27, 2017.
21. **Riva, P.** (2017). Departmental colloquium, The Ohio State University at Newark, Department of Psychology, USA, January 26, 2017.
22. **Riva, P.** (2017). Departmental colloquium, The Ohio State University, School of Communication, USA, January 25, 2017.
23. **Riva, P.** (2016). Departmental colloquium, University of Surrey, Department of Psychology, UK, April 18, 2016.

24. **Riva, P**. (2012). *Buffer the pain away: Stimulating the rVLPFC decreases feelings of social disconnection.* Invited talk at the Workshop on Ostracism, Exclusion, and Rejection, Leiden University, The Netherlands, May 21–25, 2012.
25. **Riva, P.** (2011). *Pain evaluation: Cognitive biases and gender influences*. Invited talk at the conference Opioids 2012, Rome, Italy, September 1–2, 2011.

SCIENTIFIC MEETING AND SUMMER SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Symposia Chaired

1. Canale, N., **Riva, P.**, Andrighetto, L., & Pancani, L. (co-chairs) (2025). *Digital technologies and psychosocial processes: New forms of exclusion, connection, and self-construction*. This symposium was presented at the XIX National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology – Social Psychology Section. Bergamo, Italy, September 4–6, 2025.
2. **Riva, P.** (2025). *Emerging Trends in Social Exclusion: Collective Responses, Objectification, and Digital Dynamics*. Symposium presented at the Asian Association of Social Psychology (AASP) Conference, Monash University Malaysia, Subang Jaya, Malaysia, July 10–12, 2025.
3. **Riva, P.**, Andrighetto, L., & Canale, N. (co-chairs) (2024). *Social connections in the digital era.* This symposium was presented at the XVIII National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology – Social Psychology Section. Torino, Italy, September 5-7, 2024.
4. **Riva, P**. (2019). *Social psychology facing the challenges of migrations*. This symposium was presented at the XVI National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology - Social Psychology Section. Roma, Italy, September 12-14, 2019.
5. **Riva, P**. (2017). *Facing threats of social exclusion: How to cope with ostracism and rejection*. This symposium was presented at the 18th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP). Granada, Spain, July 5-8, 2017.
6. Panasiti, M. S. & **Riva, P.** (co-chairs) (2016). *Hurting and being hurt: The neural correlates of judging, performing and being subjected to immoral actions*. This symposium was presented at the XXIV Congresso Nazionale della Società Italiana di Psicofisiologia (SIPF), Milan, Italy, October 27–29, 2016.
7. Eck, J., & **Riva, P.** (co-chairs) (2014). *Current research on ostracism and social exclusion*. This symposium was presented at the 17th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP). Amsterdam, The Netherlands, July 9-12, 2014.
8. Paolini, D., **Riva, P.**, & Zamperini, A. (co-chairs) (2013). *Ostracism and social exclusion*. This symposium was presented at the XII National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology - Social Psychology Section. Padua, Italy, September 25-28, 2013.

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TEACHING

Social Psychology (2021–present)
Course convenor and lecturer, BA in Communication and Psychosocial Sciences, University of Milano-Bicocca.

Psychology of Social Influences (2016–present)
Course convenor and lecturer, MSc in Social, Economic and Decision Psychology, University of Milano-Bicocca.

Social Psychology (2019–2021)
Course convenor and lecturer, BA in Sociology, University of Milano-Bicocca.

Doctoral training at SoDoc 2026 (September 2026)
Invited group teacher, international doctoral workshop in social psychology, RPTU University Kaiserslautern-Landau, Germany; four group sessions (8 hours).

Doctoral seminars on social pain (2011/12 and 2013/14)
Seminars for the PhD programme in Social, Cognitive and Clinical Psychology, University of Milano-Bicocca.

The Impact of New Media on Social Relationships (2024–2026)
Lecturer, Specialization School in Life Span Psychology, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan.

Digital Technologies and Social Exclusion (2023 and 2025)
Lecturer, Psychology of Digital Media module, IANUA School of Advanced Studies, University of Genoa (4 hours per edition).

Erasmus+ teaching mobility (2018 and 2019)
Visiting lecturer, Department of Psychology, University of the Balearic Islands, Spain (8 hours per visit).

Guest lectures on ostracism and social exclusion (2012–2016)
Guest lecturer, University of Milano-Bicocca and University of Genoa, Italy.

Attitudes and Opinions (2012–2014)
Teaching support, MSc in Communication Theory and Technology, University of Milano-Bicocca.

Social Psychology (2011–2012)
Teaching support, BA in Sociology, University of Milano-Bicocca.

Foundations of Computer Science for Communication (2014–2016)
Teaching support, BA in Communication and Psychosocial Sciences, University of Milano-Bicocca.

Bioethics and Biolaw for Clinical Practice (2014–2015)
Lecturer, postgraduate master's programme, School of Law, University of Milano-Bicocca.

Textual and Discourse Analysis Methods Laboratory (2010–2016)
Laboratory lecturer, BA in Psychological Sciences and Techniques, University of Milano-Bicocca.

Qualitative Methods in Psychological Research (2007–2008)
Teaching support, University of Milano-Bicocca.

Social Psychology (2007–2016)
Teaching assistant, University of Milano-Bicocca.

RESEARCH SUPERVISION AND MENTORING

PhD Students

Senanur Ardic, University of Milano-Bicocca (2024–present)

Alessia Telari, University of Milano-Bicocca (2022–2025); thesis awarded the 2026 Italian Association of Psychology (AIP) Best PhD Thesis Prize in Social Psychology

Nicolas Aureli, University of Milano-Bicocca (2020–2022)

Marco Marinucci, University of Milano-Bicocca (2017–2021); thesis awarded the 2021 AIP Best PhD Thesis Prize in Social Psychology

Visiting PhD Students

Seray Kıvanç Giray, Mersin University, Turkey (2026)

Clarissa Sabrina Arlinghaus, Bielefeld University, Germany (2026)

Janneke Schokkenbroek, Ghent University, Belgium (2023)

Laura Ferris, University of Queensland, Australia (2016)

Postdoctoral Researchers

Marco Marinucci, University of Milano-Bicocca (2022–2025)

Luca Pancani, University of Milano-Bicocca (2017–2020; 2021–2022)

Federica Spaccatini, University of Milano-Bicocca (2019–2020; co-supervised with Simona Sacchi and Juliette Richetin)

Davide Mazzoni, University of Milano-Bicocca (2018–2019)

Susanna Timeo, University of Trento (2017–2019; co-supervised with Maria Paola Paladino)

Research Fellows and Assistants

Ilenia Gasparini, University of Milano-Bicocca (2024–2025)

Teresa Traversa, University of Milano-Bicocca (January–July 2023)

International Research Trainees

Yaren Sıvırcık, visiting research intern, Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey (2025)

University of Surrey Erasmus trainees: India Davis (2019–2020); Imani Tupper (2018–2019); Alys Harrop and Bianca-Ioana Suruianu (2017–2018)

Degree Theses, Final Projects and Research Internships

Extensive experience since 2017 in supervising and examining degree theses and final projects, and overseeing curricular research internships.

Visiting Scholars Hosted

Ji-yeon Lee, Professor of Counseling Psychology, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Seoul, South Korea (April–May 2026)

Thomas Denson, Professor, School of Psychology, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia (May–June 2019)

Kipling D. Williams, Professor, Department of Psychological Sciences, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA (April 2011)

EDITORIAL AND REVIEWING ACTIVITIES

Editorial Appointments

Consulting Editor, Psychology of Violence (2024–present)

Guest Advisor, Social Influence, article collection "The Social Influence of Phubbing" (2023–2025)

Associate Editor, European Journal of Social Psychology (2021–2023)

Guest Editor, Frontiers in Psychology, research topic "Social Cognition and Social Influence in the Time of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)" (2020–2022)

Editorial Board, Psicologia Sociale (2021–2024); Pain Studies and Treatment (2013–2022)

Journal Peer Review

Over 110 peer reviews across more than 45 journals, including Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, Psychological Science, Perspectives on Psychological Science, Personality and Social Psychology Review, Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, European Journal of Social Psychology, and Group Processes & Intergroup Relations.

https://www.webofscience.com/wos/author/record/D-8130-2011

Research Funding Evaluation

Panel member, Psychology, Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia (FCT), Portugal (2026)

External reviewer, European Research Council Starting Grants, Step 2 (2025)

Evaluator, European Commission Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions, MSCA-IF/MSCA-PF, SOC panel (2016–2018, 2020, 2024–2025)

External reviewer, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG), Germany (2023, 2026)

Additional reviews for Leverhulme Trust, Dutch Research Council (NWO), U.S.–Israel Binational Science Foundation, Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (FRIAS), Swiss National Science Foundation, National Science Centre (Poland), Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR), and DAAD PRIME.

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

Academic leadership and governance

2022–2025 Chair, BA programme in Psychosocial Sciences of Communication, University of Milano-Bicocca; coordinated curriculum reform, programme reviews and preparation for institutional quality review. Ex officio member of the Department Executive Board.

2017–present Director, Social Connections and Technology Lab (ConnectLAB), Department of Psychology.

2026–present Departmental representative for public engagement and the Fourth Mission; member of the university steering group for public engagement since June 2026.

2026–2028 Elected member and Treasurer, Executive Committee, Social Psychology Section, Italian Association of Psychology (AIP); member of the organizing and scientific committee for its 2026 thematic meeting.

2024–present Departmental representative on the Scientific Committee of the Digital Transformation and Well-Being Lab (DiTWeL).

2020–present Member, Departmental Research Laboratory Management Group.

2019–2020 Departmental representative on the Steering Committee of the UniData Interdepartmental Centre.

Academic quality and service

2026–present Member of the working group redesigning the final assessment for the BA programme in Psychosocial Sciences of Communication.

2023–2026 Chair, departmental selection committees for teaching appointments (academic years 2023/24–2025/26).

2020–2023 Member, Departmental Research Quality Assurance Group.

2018–2022 Quality Assurance Coordinator, MSc in Social, Economic and Decision-Making Psychology (PSED).

2017–present Faculty member, doctoral programme in Psychology, Linguistics and Cognitive Neuroscience, University of Milano-Bicocca.

2017–present Departmental Qualtrics liaison and platform administrator.

2018–2022 Departmental contact for compulsory internships in the MSc in PSED, advising on placements and monitoring internship projects.

2017–2026 Member of selection and examination committees for teaching appointments, research fellowships, doctoral programmes and professional qualification examinations.

2007–2009 Counsellor, student counselling service, Faculty of Psychology, University of Milano-Bicocca.

Academic evaluation and doctoral examination

Ad hoc evaluator, ANVUR, Italian National Agency for the Evaluation of Universities and Research Institutes.

Evaluations for the universities of Modena and Reggio Emilia (2024), Cagliari (2024), and Urbino (2020–2021).

External examiner for PhD defenses at Tilburg University (2023, 2025), University of Padua (2024), Tampere University (2019), and Sapienza University of Rome (2018).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Fellow, Society of Experimental Social Psychology (SESP), since 2019

European Association of Social Psychology (EASP)

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)

Asian Association of Social Psychology (AASP)

Italian Association of Psychology (AIP), Social Psychology Section

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE (Selective listing)

Applied research and partnerships

2023–2025 National study of occupational well-being among Italian prison staff, conducted with the Prison Administration's Directorate General for Training across seven institutions and training schools; survey of 1,080 personnel, with findings returned to the administration and published in 2025.

2018–2020 Led field research on vulnerability and resilience in more than 20 refugee reception settings in northern Italy, funded by Fondazione ALSOS; findings informed a report and scholarly publications.

Selected public talks and professional training

2026 Panelist and discussant on loneliness and social policy at the LONELY-EU Conference, Milan.

2026 Open lecture on social exclusion and belonging at Opera Prison, through the University of Milano-Bicocca's prison education programme.

2026 Workshop on digital connection and work at Sloworking Day, Vimercate; corporate webinar on digital well-being for Rollon.

2025 Two professional training seminars on staff well-being and organizational climate for the Italian Prison Administration's training school.

2024 Co-organized an open lecture and immersive virtual-reality prison-cell experience for National University Day, University of Milano-Bicocca.

2024 Public lecture on digital technology and social relationships at Pint of Science, Milan.

2023 Public lecture on social connections in the digital era at the Domosofia festival, Domodossola.

Education and science communication

2022–2026 Designed and taught school–university outreach modules on social psychology, belonging and digital relationships for secondary-school students.

2024 Developed two MOOC lectures on social psychology and digital technology for Dicolab Cultura al Digitale, a programme for cultural-sector and public-administration staff.

2020 An article on social connections in the digital era, co-authored with Luca Pancani, received the Italian Association of Psychology Social Psychology Section award for best popular science article.

MEDIA COVERAGE

Research on social exclusion, digital relationships, AI, prison environments, stigma and social pain has featured in numerous articles, interviews and broadcasts since 2011.

Ghosting and digital exclusion (2025–2026) — Psychology Today, PsyPost, La Repubblica, Il Sole 24 Ore–InfoData, Sky TG24 and Radio 24.

AI-mediated social connection (2026) — PsyPost.

Prison staff well-being and immersive prison-cell research (2025–2026) — Le Scienze, Avvenire, La Repubblica, Il Giorno and the Italian Ministry of Justice's news outlet.

Virtual reality and homelessness stigma (2025) — Psychology Today.

Loneliness and the quality of social ties (2024) — Sette (Corriere della Sera).

Isolation in the LUNARK simulated lunar mission (2020–2022) — Popular Science, British Psychological Society Research Digest, EarthSky and La Repubblica.

Phubbing and family relationships (2020–2026) — ANSA, La Repubblica, Sky TG24 and Elle.

Rejection in online dating (2019) — La Repubblica and Il Messaggero.

Violent and sexist video games (2013–2017) — Time, The Washington Post, The Telegraph, Le Figaro and The Conversation.

Humanizing slot machines and gambling (2015) — Slate, British Psychological Society Research Digest, Corriere della Sera and TG LA7.

Social and physical pain (2011–2014) — Il Sole 24 Ore, Corriere della Sera, Vanity Fair, ScienceDaily and the Association for Psychological Science.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. **Riva, P.** (2026). *Measuring Digital Well-Being Beyond Addiction: Development and Validation of a Multidimensional Scale*. Talk presented at the 11th International Conference on Behavioral Addictions (ICBA 2026), Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey, August 24–26, 2026.
2. Telari, A., & **Riva, P**. (2026). *Using AI to craft interpersonal messages: Effects on perceived effort, authenticity, and closeness*. Talk presented at the 2026 Conference of the International Association for Relationship Research (IARR), Glasgow, United Kingdom, July 8–12, 2026.
3. Ardıç, S., Telari, A., & **Riva, P**. (2026). *Interpersonal dynamics of blocking on social media: A mixed-methods study*. Talk presented at the 2026 Conference of the International Association for Relationship Research (IARR), Glasgow, United Kingdom, July 8–12, 2026.
4. Traversa, T., Marinucci, M., **Riva, P**., & Pancani, L. (2026). *Social exclusion behind bars: How prisoners' interpretations shape well-being and behaviors*. Talk presented at the 20th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP), Strasbourg, France, July 1–4, 2026.
5. Telari, A., **Riva, P.**, Fusco, C., & Pancani, L. (2026). *The costs of silence: Comparing the toll of ghosting and rejection for sources and targets*. Talk presented at the 2026 General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP), Strasbourg, France, July 1–4, 2026.
6. Ardıç, S., Telari, A., & **Riva, P**. (2026). *Blocking as a digital social exclusion behavior: Experiences from source and target perspectives*. Talk presented at the 2026 General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP), Strasbourg, France, July 1–4, 2026.
7. Traversa, T., Foran, A.-M., Marinucci, M., Pancani, L., **Riva, P**., & Jetten, J. (2026). *To be or not to be (a prisoner): Cure and curse effects of social identification on prisoners' well-being via self-stigma and perceived social exclusion*. Blitz talk presented at the EASP Preconference Navigating Social (Dis)Connection: New Perspectives on Exclusion, Stigma, and Solitude, Strasbourg, France, June 30, 2026.
8. Marinucci, M., **Riva, P**., Traversa, T., & Magrin, M. E. (2026). *Virtual reality as a tool to reduce social exclusion toward marginalized groups*. Blitz talk presented at the EASP Preconference Navigating Social (Dis)Connection: New Perspectives on Exclusion, Stigma, and Solitude, Strasbourg, France, June 30, 2026.
9. **Riva, P**., Gasparini, I., Telari, A., & Pancani, L. (2026). Social perceptions of deadbots: Appropriateness, risks, and conditional acceptance of posthumous AI. Talk presented at the EASP 2026 Preconference *Social Psychology in the Age of AI*, Strasbourg, France, June 30, 2026.
10. Traversa, T., Foran, A.-M., Marinucci, M., Pancani, L., **Riva, P**., & Jetten, J. (2026). *To be or not to be (a prisoner): Cure and curse effects of social identification on prisoners' well-being via self-stigma and perceived social exclusion*. Poster presented at the 7th International Conference on Social Identity and Health (ICSIH7), Exeter, United Kingdom, June 23–26, 2026.
11. Ardıç, S., Telari, A., & **Riva, P**. (2026). *Relief for sources, distress for targets: Asymmetric psychological experiences of social media blocking*. Poster presented at the 2026 APS Annual Convention, Barcelona, Spain, May 29, 2026.
12. Ardıç, S., Telari, A., & **Riva, P.** (2025). *Blocked and Disconnected: Exploring the Blocking Behavior on Social Media from Source and Target Perspectives*. Poster presentation at Social Connections and Well-Being in the Digital Era, Como, Italy.
13. Telari, A., **Riva, P.**, Perugini, M., & Pancani, L. (2025). *Turning Smartphone Interference into Positive Relationship and Personal Outcomes: The 'Resisting Phubbing' Phenomenon*. Poster presented at the SPSP Close Relationships Preconference 2025, Denver, United States, February 20, 2025.
14. Marinucci, M., & **Riva, P.** (2025). *A social exclusion model of stigmatized social identity*. Talk presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP), Prague, Czech Republic, July 3–6, 2025.

15. Traversa, T., Marinucci, M., Tortù, I., **Riva, P**., & Pancani, L. (2025). *Social connection as a protective factor for prison officers' well-being: A social identity approach*. Poster presented at the Annual Convention of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP), Denver, United States, February 20–22, 2025.
16. Marinucci, M., Traversa, T., Magrin, M. E., & **Riva, P**. (2025). *Between the bars: virtual and physical jail simulations foster empathy and reduce prejudice toward detained people through induced social exclusion*. Talk presented at the XIX Congresso Nazionale della Sezione di Psicologia Sociale – Social Psychology Section (AIP). Bergamo, Italy, September 4–6, 2025.
17. Traversa, T., Marinucci, M., Tortù, I., **Riva, P**., & Pancani, L. (2025). *Together stronger: colleague interactions boost prison officers' well-being via social identity*. Talk presented at the Asian Association of Social Psychology (AASP) 2025 Conference. Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, July 10–12, 2025.
18. Traversa, T., Marinucci, M., **Riva, P**., Baldissarri, C., & Pancani, L. (2025). *Imprisonment as a form of chronic social exclusion: first empirical evidence of a novel theoretical framework*. Poster presented at the Social Psychology in Legal Context Preconference, Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Annual Convention. Denver, United States, February 20, 2025.
19. Traversa, T., Marinucci, M., **Riva, P**., Baldissarri, C., & Pancani, L. (2025). *Imprisonment as a form of chronic social exclusion: first empirical evidence of a novel theoretical framework*. Poster presented at the Annual Convention of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). Denver, United States, February 20–22, 2025.
20. **Riva, P**., Marinucci, M., Telari, A., & Pancani, L. (2025). *Temporal dimensions of social exclusion: insights and challenges for the need-threat model*. Talk presented at the 16th Conference of the Asian Association of Social Psychology (AASP). Monash University Malaysia, Subang Jaya, Malaysia, July 10–12, 2025.
21. Pancani, L., Telari, A., **Riva, P**., & Perugini, M. (2025). *Resisting phubbing: converting smartphone interference into favorable consequences*. Talk presented at the 16th Conference of the Asian Association of Social Psychology (AASP). Monash University Malaysia, Subang Jaya, Malaysia, July 10–12, 2025.
22. Telari, A., Gabbiadini, A., & **Riva, P**. (2025). *Can chatbots elicit closeness? Response style shapes human–AI social connection*. Talk presented at the XIX Congresso Nazionale della Sezione di Psicologia Sociale – Social Psychology Section (AIP). Bergamo, Italy, September 4–6, 2025.
23. Gasparini, I., Telari, A., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2025). *Parlare con i defunti attraverso l'AI? Accettabilità, rischi e potenzialità dei deadbots*. Talk presented at the XIX Congresso Nazionale della Sezione di Psicologia Sociale – Social Psychology Section (AIP). Bergamo, Italy, September 4–6, 2025.
24. Telari, A., Gabbiadini, A., & **Riva, P**. (2025). *Can AI-powered chatbots serve as social connections? An experimental investigation of interaction characteristics*. Talk presented at the Annual Convention of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). Denver, United States, February 21–22, 2025.
25. Telari, A., **Riva, P**., Perugini, M., & Pancani, L. (2025). *Turning smartphone interference into positive relationship and personal outcomes: the "resisting phubbing" phenomenon*. Poster presented at the SPSP Psychology of Media and Technology Preconference. Denver, United States, February 20, 2025.
26. Gasparini, I., Telari, A., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2025). *The role of webcams in video conferencing: a study on online ostracism*. Poster presented at the SPSP Psychology of Media and Technology Preconference. Denver, United States, February 20, 2025.
27. Gasparini, I., Marinucci, M., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2025). *Bridging the digital divide: how smartphones influence health and integration in marginalized communities*. Poster presented at the Annual Convention of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). Denver, United States, February 20–22, 2025.
28. Marinucci, M., & **Riva, P**. (2024). *Chronic social exclusion and extremism: A theoretical framework and empirical evidence from a sample of immigrants*. Talk presented at the First Mediterranean Meeting on the Psychology of Social Change, Messina, Italy, December 6, 2024.
29. Marinucci, M., & **Riva, P**. (2024). *A social identity model of social exclusion for marginalized social groups*. Talk presented at the XVIII National Conference of the Italian Association of Psychology – Social Psychology Section (AIP), Turin, Italy, September 5–7, 2024.
30. Marinucci, M., & **Riva, P**. (2024). *A social identity model of social exclusion for marginalized social groups*. Poster presented at the EASP Meeting on Social Identity, Canterbury, United Kingdom, June 5–6, 2024.
31. Marinucci, M., Bauer, C., & **Riva, P**. (2024). *Who should I be? Social exclusion dismantles immigrants' bicultural identity*. Talk presented at the EASP Meeting Identity Fragility: Psychological Antecedents and Consequences of Living in Permanent Crisis and Political Instability, Milazzo, Italy, April 18–20, 2024.
32. Gasparini, I., Telari, A., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2024). *Il ruolo delle webcam nelle videoconferenze: uno studio sull'ostracismo online*. Talk presented at the XVIII National Conference of the Italian Association of Psychology – Social Psychology Section (AIP). Turin, Italy, September 5–7, 2024.

33. Veronese, I., Telari, A., Fusco, C., **Riva, P**., & Pancani, L. (2024). *Esperienze di interruzione delle relazioni romantiche: il ruolo del contesto nelle reazioni a ghosting e rifiuto esplicito*. Talk presented at the XVIII National Conference of the Italian Association of Psychology – Social Psychology Section (AIP). Turin, Italy, September 5–7, 2024.
34. Telari, A., Fusco, C., **Riva, P**., Veronese, I., & Pancani, L. (2024). *Not only the destination but the journey: the role of the relationship characteristics in ghosting and rejection*. Poster presented at the International Association for Relationship Research (IARR). Boston, United States, July 5–9, 2024.
35. Schokkenbroek, J. M., Telari, A., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2024). *What is (not) ghosting? A theoretical analysis via four key pillars*. Talk presented at the International Association for Relationship Research (IARR). Boston, United States, July 5–9, 2024.
36. Telari, A., Fusco, C., **Riva, P**., Veronese, I., & Pancani, L. (2024). *Not only the destination but the journey: the role of the relationship characteristics in ghosting and rejection*. Poster presented at the TLC Love Conference. Chapel Hill, United States, May 15–17, 2024.
37. Telari, A., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2024). *The phantom pain of ghosting: multi-day experiments show differential reactions to ghosting and rejection*. Poster presented at the Annual Convention of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). San Diego, United States, February 9–10, 2024.
38. Telari, A., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2024). *Does ghosting hurt differently than rejection? Multi-day experiments reveal unique temporal dynamics in responses*. Talk presented at the SPSP Psychology of Media and Technology Preconference. San Diego, United States, February 8, 2024.
39. Faccenda, G., Bogani, A., **Riva, P.**, Richetin, J., Pancani, L., & Sacchi, S. (2023). *The near-miss effect in flood risk estimation: Integrating psychological variables into agent-based models*. Oral presentation at Giornata sul Pensiero, Messina, Italy, February 2–3, 2023.
40. Tubertini, E., Gaboardi, M., Lenzi, M., **Riva, P**., & Marinucci, M. (2023). *Choice affects the health of people experiencing homelessness: The role of resignation*. Talk presented at the 18th European Congress of Psychology, Brighton, United Kingdom, July 3–6, 2023.
41. Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2023). *The digital ostracism phenomenon: Phubbing, ghosting, and orbiting*. Poster presented at the 19th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP), Kraków, Poland, June 30–July 4, 2023.
42. Marinucci, M., Mazzoni, D., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2023). *To whom should I turn? Intergroup social connections moderate social exclusion's short- and long-term psychological impact on immigrants*. Talk presented at the 19th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP), Kraków, Poland, July 1–4, 2023.
43. Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2023). *Ostracismo digitale: Il fenomeno del phubbing*. Talk presented at the conference La psicologia sociale e i processi di interdipendenza online e offline, Italian Association of Psychology (AIP), Naples, Italy, September 14–15, 2023.
44. Telari, A., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2023). *Ghosting e rifiuto esplicito: lo studio delle conseguenze tramite un nuovo paradigma sperimentale longitudinale*. Talk presented at the conference La psicologia sociale e i processi di interdipendenza online e offline (AIP). Naples, Italy, September 14–15, 2023.
45. Telari, A., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2023). *A new experimental paradigm to study the effects of ghosting using an ecological momentary assessment (EMA) methodology*. Talk presented at the 19th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP). Kraków, Poland, June 30 – July 4, 2023.
46. **Riva, P**., Pancani, L., Aureli, N., Marinucci, M., & Telari, A. (2023). *Social exclusion in the digital era: investigating Schachter's research on rejection, deviance, and communication (1951) in online group discussion*. Talk presented at the 19th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP). Kraków, Poland, July 1–4, 2023.
47. Marinucci, M., **Riva, P**., Lasagna, C., Lenzi, M., & Volpato, C. (2022). *On the lowest rung of the ladder: How perceived economic inequality increases homeless people's feelings of resignation*. Talk presented at the XXX National Conference of the Italian Association of Psychology (AIP), Padua, Italy, September 29, 2022.
48. Rusconi, P., **Riva, P**., Pancani, L., & Chterev, K. (2022). *Social isolation and confinement in a ground-simulated lunar mission: Consequences and protective factors*. Talk presented at the XXX National Conference of the Italian Association of Psychology (AIP), Padua, Italy, September 27–30, 2022.
49. Marinucci, M., Mazzoni, D., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2022). *To whom should I turn? Intergroup social connections moderate social exclusion's short- and long-term psychological impact on immigrants*. Talk presented at the EASP Group Meeting The Role of Emotions in Interethnic Relations, Utrecht, The Netherlands, September 7–9, 2022.
50. Tyndall, I., Pancani, L., Waldeck, D., & **Riva, P**. (2022). *An ecological momentary assessment study of the effects of psychological inflexibility on distress from perceived ostracism*. Talk presented at the Chichester Conference on Cognitive-Behavioural Applications and Interventions in Clinical, Health, Social, Occupational, and Educational Psychology, Chichester, United Kingdom, July 14, 2022.

51. Marinucci, M., **Riva, P**., Lasagna, C., Lenzi, M., & Volpato, C. (2022). *Social exclusion at its extreme: The case of immigrants and homeless people*. Blitz talk presented at the SPSP Psychology of Extremism Preconference, San Francisco, CA, United States, February 16, 2022.
52. Ossola, P., Telari, A., Pulcu, E., Pancani, L., De Panfilis, C., & **Riva, P**. (2022). *Dynamics of behavioural response to different degrees of social exclusion: The role of borderline personality traits and social propensity*. Talk presented at the 6th International Congress on Borderline Personality Disorder and Allied Disorders, virtual conference, October 12, 2022.
53. Bushman, B., Gabbiadini, A., **Riva, P**., Andrighetto, L., & Volpato, C. (2022). *A brief self-control intervention to reduce violent video games effects*. Talk given at International Society for Research on Aggression (ISRA) Annual World Meeting, July 18-22, 2022, Ottawa, Canada.
54. Marinucci, M., **Riva, P.**, Lasagna, C., Lenzi, M., & Volpato, C. (2022). *Social exclusion at its extreme: the case of immigrants and homeless people*. Talk given at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Annual Convention. 19 February, San Francisco - California, USA.
55. Marinucci, M., **Riva, P**., Lasagna, C., Lenzi, M., & Volpato, C. (2022). *Social exclusion at its extreme: the case of immigrants and homeless people*. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Annual Convention – GPIR preconference. 17 February, San Francisco - California, USA.
56. Marinucci, M., Pancani, L., Aureli, N., & **Riva, P**. (2022). *Online social connections as surrogates of face-to-face interactions: a longitudinal study under Covid-19 isolation*. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Annual Convention – Psychology of Media and Technology preconference. 17 February, San Francisco - California, USA.
57. Lisco, A., Fabietti, C., Gallucci, A., Preti, E., **Riva, P.**, & De Panfilis, C. (2022). *tDCS effects on emotion regulation in social contexts in patients with borderline personality disorder*. Poster presented at the ECNP Workshop for Early Career Scientists in Europe 2022. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nsa.2022.100080
58. **Riva, P.**, Pancani, L. & Aureli, N. (2021). *The social dilemma: Are digital technologies responding to our need for social connections?* Talk presented at the XVII National Meeting of Social Psychology- Associazione Italiana di Psicologia (AIP). Brescia, Italy, 13-15 September 2021.
59. Marinucci, M., **Riva, P.**, Lasagna, C., Lenzi, M., & Volpato, C. (2021). *Social exclusion at its extreme: risk and protective factors from the resignation stage in marginalized individuals*. Talk given at the XVII National Conference of the Italian Association of Psychology (AIP). 13-15 September 2021, Brescia, Italy.
60. Marinucci, M., Mazzoni, D., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2021). *To whom should I turn? Intergroup social connections moderate the short- and long-term impact of social exclusion on immigrants' wellbeing*. Talk given at the International Society of Political Psychology Annual Meeting. 11 July, Virtual Conference.
61. Sacchi, S., Bogani, A., Faccenda, G., Pancani, L., Richetin, J., & **Riva, P**. (2020) *Near-miss effect on individual's perception of flooding risk and protective responses*. Oral presentation. 26th conference International Association People-Environment Studies (IAPS), Quebec City, June 21 –26.
62. Marinucci, M., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2020). *Prestige and Dominance as fundamental dimensions of social status: A latent-class analysis on 15.002 European students*. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Annual Convention. 27-29 February, New Orleans - Louisiana, USA.
63. Marinucci, M., & **Riva, P**. (2020). *How intergroup social connections shape immigrants' psychological responses to social exclusion*. Poster presented at Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Annual Convention – GPIR preconference. 27 February, New Orleans - Louisiana, USA.
64. De Panfilis, C., Fabietti, C., Riccardi, S., Roscigno, F., **Riva, P.**, Preti, E., Meehan, K., Cain, N., & Marchesi, C. (2019). *So Strong So Fragile: Interpersonal Processing in Obsessive-Compulsive Personality Disorder*. 16th Congress of the International Society for the Study of Personality Disorder (ISSPD), Vancouver, Canada, October 2019.
65. Gerra, M. L., Ardizzi, M., Martorana, S., **Riva, P.**, Preti, E., Marino, B., Ossola, P., Marchesi, C., Gallese, V., & De Panfilis, C. (2019). *Autonomic Vulnerability to Social Interactions in Borderline Personality Disorder*. 16th Congress of the International Society for the Study of Personality Disorder (ISSPD), Vancouver, Canada, October 2019.
66. **Riva, P.**, Tupper, I., Pancani, L., Mazzoni, D., Marinucci, M., Aureli, N. (2019). *Poverty and social exclusion: an analysis of secondary data of adolescents in Europe*. Talk given at the Migration. From Conflict and Hate to Healing and Hope. Psychological Perspectives of Community and Wellness International Conference. 4-6 October, Naples, Italy.
67. **Riva, P.**, Pancani, L., Mazzoni, D., Marinucci, M. & Aureli, N. (2019). *Migration status and social exclusion: an analysis of the sociometric profiles of native, first-, and second-generation immigrant adolescents*. Talk given at the XVI National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology - Social Psychology Section. Roma, Italy, September 12-14, 2019.

68. Marinucci, M., Pancani, L., & **Riva, P**. (2019). *Sociometric Prototypes: a latent-class analysis on 15,002 European students.* Talk given at the XVI National Conference of the Italian Association of Psychology (AIP). 12-14 September 2019, Rome, Italy.
69. Pancani, L., Gerosa, T., Gui, M., Pancucci, A., Aureli, N., De Rosa, M., & **Riva, P**. (2019). *Phubbing, ghosting, and orbiting: How digital technologies change social relationships.* Talk presented at the XVI National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology – Social Psychology Section (AIP), Rome, Italy, September 12–14, 2019.
70. Marinucci, M., Pancani, L., **Riva, P**., & Mazzoni, D. (2019). *The role of smartphone in the migration process: Achieving belonging via information and communication technologies*. Talk given at The Migration Conference 2019. 18-20 June 2019, Bari, Italy.
71. Aureli, N., Pancani, L., Marinucci, M., **Riva, P.** (2019). *The role of the number of books at home on adolescents' tolerance in intergroup relations as a function of their sociometric status*. Poster presented at the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP) meeting on Intergroup Communication. 26-28 June 2019, Bologna, Italy.
72. **Riva, P**., Tupper, I., Pancani, L., Mazzoni, D., Marinucci, M., & Aureli, N. (2019). *Poverty and social exclusion: An analysis of secondary data on adolescents in Europe*. Talk given at the Workshop: Experiencing and fighting economic inequality: The contribution of social psychology and cognition, Caserta, Italy, June 6-7, 2019.
73. Marinucci, M., & **Riva, P.** (2019). *How intergroup social connections shape immigrants' psychological responses to social exclusion*. Talk given at the SASP-SPSSI group meeting on Intergroup Contact. 29 April – 1 May 2019, Newcastle, Australia.
74. Marinucci, M., & **Riva, P**. (2019). *How intergroup social connections shape immigrants' psychological responses to social exclusion*. Talk given at the Society of Australasian Social Psychologists Conference (SASP). 25-27 April 2019, Sydney, Australia.
75. Gallucci, A., **Riva, P.**, Romero Lauro, L. J. & Bushman, B. J. (2018). *Stimulating the ventrolateral prefrontal cortex (vLPFC) to modulate the frustration-aggression link: a tDCS study*. Transcranial Brain Stimulation in Cognitive Neuroscience Workshop, Rovereto, Italy, December 2018.
76. Marinucci, M., & **Riva, P**. (2018). *Fattori di rischio e protezione dall'esclusione sociale cronica nei richiedenti asilo* [Risk and protective factors from chronic social exclusion in asylum seekers]. Talk presented at the XV National Conference of the Italian Association of Psychology – Social Psychology Section (AIP), Bari, Italy, September 19–21, 2018.
77. Pancani, L., Preti, E., & **Riva, P**. (2018). *Fattori psicosociali implicati nell'utilizzo dello smartphone* [Psychosocial factors involved in smartphone usage]. Talk given at the XV National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology - Social Psychology Section, Bari, Italy, September 19-22, 2018.
78. Timeo, S., **Riva, P.**, & Paladino, M. P. (2018). *Social bonds as a strategy to cope with social media exclusion: A study on preadolescents*. Talk given at the XV National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology - Social Psychology Section, Bari, Italy, September 19-22, 2018.
79. Gabbiadini, A., & **Riva, P.** (2018). *Social exclusion predicts aggressive inclinations following violent video game playing*. Talk given at the International Society for Research on Aggression (ISRA) 2018 World Meeting. Paris, France, July 10-14, 2018.
80. Vergallito, A., **Riva, P.**, Pisoni, A., Romero Lauro, L.J. (2018). *Reducing negative emotions through anodal tDCS over the right ventrolateral cortex*. Talk given at the Joint Congress of the SEPEX, SEPNECA and AIP experimental, Madrid, Spain, July 3- 6 2018.
81. Gabbiadini, A. & **Riva, P.** (2017). *Social exclusion boosts the negative effects of violent video games exposure on aggression*. This poster was presented at the 18th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP). Granada, Spain, July 5-8, 2017.
82. **Riva, P.**, Sacchi, S., & Brambilla, M. (2017). *Humanizing machines: Anthropomorphization of slot machines increases gambling*. Talk given at the Psychology of Technology Pre-conference held during the 18th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). San Antonio, USA, January 19-21, 2017.
83. **Riva, P.** (2017). *Chronic social exclusion: Examining the impact of long-term experiences of threats to social belonging*. This talk was part of the symposium: Ostracism and social exclusion: Advances in theory and methods. Talk was given at the 18th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). San Antonio, USA, January 19-21, 2017.
84. Preti, E., De Panfilis, C., & **Riva, P.** (2016). *When social inclusion is not enough: Implicit expectations of extreme inclusion in Borderline Personality Disorder*. 4th International Conference of the Society of Transference-Focused Psychotherapy, New York, United States, October 2016.

85. Preti, E., Monzani, D., De Panfilis, C., **Riva, P.**, & Prunas, A. (2016). *Anxious and angry expectations of rejection and associations with BPD and NPD traits*. 4th International Congress on Borderline Personality Disorder and Allied Disorders, Vienna, Austria, September 2016.
86. Romero Lauro, L. J., **Riva, P.**, Peroni, F., Facchin, A., Beschin, N., & Vallar, G. (2016). *Social pain and brain right damage in stroke patients*. Talk given at the V Congresso della Società Italiana di Neuropsicologia (SINP). Milano, Italy, December 2-3, 2016.
87. **Riva, P.** (2016). *Brain mechanisms to regulate reactions to social exclusion.* The talk was part of the symposium: Hurting and being hurt: The neural correlates of judging, performing and being subjected to immoral actions. Talk given at the XXIV Congresso Nazionale della Società Italiana di Psicofisiologia (SIPF) - Brains in Action. Dalle Neuroscienze di Base ai Sistemi Sociali Complessi. Milano, Italy, October 27-29, 2016.
88. Romero Lauro, L. J., **Riva, P.**, Vergallito, A. (2016). *Negative emotions modulation by means of anodal transcranial direct current stimulation over right ventrolateral prefrontal cortex*. Talk given at the XXIV Congresso Nazionale della Società Italiana di Psicofisiologia (SIPF) - Brains in Action. Dalle Neuroscienze di Base ai Sistemi Sociali Complessi. Milano, Italy, October 27-29, 2016.
89. **Riva, P.** (2016). *L'esclusione sociale incrementa il gioco d'azzardo alle slot machine* [Social exclusion increases slot machines gambling]. Talk given at the XIV National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology - Social Psychology Section, Napoli, September 22-24, 2016.
90. Venturini, E., **Riva, P.**, Serpetti, F., Pallavicini, F., Mantovani, F., & Parson, T. D. (2016). *A comparison of 3D versus 2D virtual environments on the feelings of social exclusion, inclusion, and over-inclusion*. Talk given at the 21st CyberPsychology, CyberTherapy and Social Networking Conference (CYPSY21). Dublin, Ireland, June 27-29, 2016.
91. **Riva, P.**, Manfrinati, A., Sacchi, S., & Romero Lauro, L. J. (2015). *Modulatory effects of transcranial direct stimulation on utilitarian responses to moral dilemmas*. The talk was part of the symposium: Modulating the social brain via transcranial Direct Current Stimulation (tDCS). Talk given at the 9th Conference of the European Society for Cognitive Psychology (ESCOP). Paphos, Cyprus, September 17-20, 2015.
92. Brambilla, M., & **Riva, P.** (2015). *Moral status influences judgments of social suffering*. Talk given at the European Association of Social Psychology Medium Size Meeting – Moral Judgment and Behavior. Sopot, Poland, June 26-28, 2015.
93. **Riva, P.**, Montali, L., Wirth, J. H., Curioni, S., & Williams, D. K. (2015). *Chronic social exclusion and evidence for the resignation stage: An empirical investigation*. Poster presented at the Aegina Interdisciplinary Summer School on "The social self: How social interactions shape body and self-representations." Hotel Apollo, Aegina, Greece, June 21-27, 2015.
94. De Panfilis, C., **Riva, P.**, Preti, E., Cabrino, C., & Marchesi, C. (2014). *Perceived rejection and unrealistic expectations of social inclusion in Borderline Personality Disorder*. Talk given at the 3rd ESSPD Conference on Borderline Personality Disorder and Allied Disorders. Rome, Italy, October 16-18, 2014.
95. **Riva, P.**, Romero Lauro, L. J., Vergallito, A., DeWall, C.N., & Bushman, B.J. (2014). *Electrified emotions: Modulatory effects of transcranial direct stimulation on negative emotional reactions to social exclusion*. Talk given at the Brain & Emotion Pre-Conference to the 17th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP). Amsterdam, the Netherlands, July 9-12, 2014.
96. **Riva, P.**, Romero Lauro, L. J., DeWall, C. N., Chester, D. & Bushman, B. J. (2014). *Reducing aggressive responses to social exclusion using transcranial direct current stimulation (tDCS)*. Poster presented at the 17th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP). Amsterdam, the Netherlands, July 9-12, 2014.
97. Andrighetto, L., **Riva, P.**, & Volpato, C. (2014). *Excluded from all humanity: Animal metaphors exacerbate the psychological consequences of social exclusion*. Poster presented at the 17th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP). Amsterdam, the Netherlands, July 9-12, 2014.
98. Gabbiadini, A., **Riva, P.**, Andrighetto, L., Volpato, C., & Bushman, B. J. (2014). *Adolescent immoral behaviors as a function of moral disengagement and violent gameplay*. Poster presented at the 17th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP). Amsterdam, the Netherlands, July 9-12, 2014.
99. **Riva, P.**, Romero Lauro, L. J., Vergallito, A., DeWall, C.N., Chester, D. & Bushman, B.J. (2014). *Modulating responses to social exclusion using transcranial direct-current stimulation: the role of the right Ventrolateral Prefrontal Cortex*. Poster presented at the Inauguration Day of the Milan Center for Neuroscience. Milan, Italy, July 3, 2014.

100. **Riva, P.**, Sacchi, S., & Brambilla, M. (2014). *Perceiving a mind at the slot: Anthropomorphization of slot machines increases gambling behavior*. Poster presented at the 15th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). Austin, USA, February 13-15, 2014.

101. Sacchi, S., **Riva, P.**, & Brambilla, M. (2014). *Anthropomorphization of nature affects willingness to help victims of natural disasters*. Poster presented at the 15th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). Austin, USA, February 13-15, 2014.

102. **Riva, P.**, Romero Lauro, L. J., DeWall, C. N., Chester, D. & Bushman, B. J. (2013). *Effects of transcranial Direct-Current Stimulation (tDCS) over the right Ventrolateral Prefrontal Cortex (rVLPFC) on aggressive responses following social exclusion*. Poster presented at the "Non-invasive electrical stimulation (tDCS, tACS, tRNS): Basic and applied research" Workshop. Brescia, 30 September 2013.

103. **Riva, P.** (2013). *Reducing the negative impacts of ostracism and social exclusion: Psychological and neuromodulatory evidence*. Talk given at the XII National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology - Social Psychology Section, Padua, September 25-28, 2013.

104. **Riva, P.** (2013). *Neural regulation of social bias: Stimulating the dlPFC to modulate implicit prejudice*. Talk given at the SCoNe Mini-Symposium, SISSA International Summer School in Social Cognitive Neuroscience (SCoNe). Trieste, 15-28, July 2013.

105. Sacchi, S., **Riva, P.**, Brambilla, M., & Grasso, M. (2013). *Moral reasoning and climate change mitigation: The deontological reaction towards an apparent taboo trade-off*. Talk given at the 36th annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Herzliya (Israel), July 8-11, 2013.

106. **Riva, P.**, Montali, L. & Williams, D.K. (2012). *Quando l'esclusione permane: La sovrapposizione degli effetti psicologici tra il dolore sociale cronico e il dolore fisico* [The overlap between social and physical chronic pain]. Talk given at the XI National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology - Social Psychology Section, Chieti, September 20-23, 2012.

107. Sacchi, S., **Riva, P**., & Brambilla, M. (2012). *"Quando madre natura si ribella": Antropomorfizzazione della natura e aiuto alle vittime di disastri naturali* [When mother earth rises up: Nature anthropomorphization and support for natural disaster victims]. Talk given at the XI National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology - Social Psychology Section, Chieti, Italy, September 20-23, 2012.

108. Montali, L., Colombo, M., & **Riva, P.** (2012). *Conflicting representations of pain: A qualitative analysis of health care professionals' discourse*. Poster presented at the Qualitative workshop for community-minded psychologists, Naples, Italy, March 1-2, 2012.

109. **Riva, P.**, Wirth, J. H., Wesselmann, E., Carter-Sowell, A. R., & Williams K. D. (2011). *Antecedents and consequences of social and physical pain*. Talk given at the 16th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP). Stockholm, Sweden, July 12-16, 2011.

110. Sacchi, S., **Riva, P.**, Brambilla, M., & Grasso, M. (2011). *Ethical constraints on climate change mitigation: Consequentialism, moral outrage and responsibility*. Talk given at the 13th Workshop on Intergroup Processes, Jena, Germany, July 1-5, 2011.

111. Wirth, J. H., **Riva, P.**, & Williams, K. D. (2011). *The overlapping effects of social and physical pain on basic human needs*. Talk given at the 12th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). San Antonio, USA, January 27-29, 2011.

112. **Riva, P.**, & Williams, K. D. (2010). *When pain does not heal: The effects of persistent social and physical suffering on self and identity*. Talk given at the International Association for Relationship Research (IARR) Conference, Herzliya, Israel, July 22-26, 2010.

113. **Riva, P.**, & Williams, K. D. (2010). *The role of fear of social pain in the experience of ostracism*. Talk given at the International Association for Relationship Research (IARR) Conference, Herzliya, Israel, July 22-26, 2010.

114. **Riva, P.**, Wirth, J. H., & Williams, K. D. (2010, May). *The social impact of suffering: Physical pain thwarts social needs*. Talk given at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, USA, April 28-30, 2010.

115. **Riva, P.**, Carter-Sowell, R.A., Williams, K. D. (2010). *Development and validation of the fear of social pain questionnaire (FOSP)*. Talk given at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, USA, April 28-30, 2010.

116. **Riva, P.**, & Williams, K. D. (2010). *Dolore sociale e dolore fisico: Un'analisi comparata degli antecedenti e dei conseguenti.* [Social and physical pain: A comparative analysis of their antecedents and consequences]. Talk given at the X National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology - Social Psychology Section, Turin, September 14-16, 2010.

117. Montali, L., Frigerio, A., **Riva, P.**, Invernizzi, P. (2010). *"Io non faccio la malata": Identità e esperienza di malattia di donne con cirrosi biliare primitiva.* [It's as if PBC didn't exist": The illness experience of women affected by Primary Biliary Cirrhosis]. Talk given at the X National Meeting of the Italian Association of Psychology - Social Psychology Section, Turin, September 14-16, 2010.

118. Wesselmann, E., Carter-Sowell, R. A., **Riva, P.**, Wirth, J., & Williams, K. D. (2010). *When and why aggression fortifies the needs of ostracized individuals*. Talk given at the XIX International Society for Research on Aggression (ISRA) World Conference, Storrs, Connecticut, USA, July 27- 31, 2010.

119. **Riva, P.**, Sacchi, S., Frigerio, A., Montali, L. (2010). *You can't read my pain face: How gender affects the decoding of facial expressions of pain*. Poster presented at the 11th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). Las Vegas, USA, January 28-30, 2010.

120. Rusconi, P., **Riva, P.**, Cherubini, P., Montali, L. (2010). *The role of initial impressions when evaluating credibility in the observers-patients relationship*. Poster presented at the 11th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). Las Vegas, USA, January 28-30, 2010.

121. Williams, K. D, Chen, Z. & **Riva, P.** (2009). *The tenacity of social pain*. Talk given at the Society of Experimental Social Psychology conference (SESP). Portland, Maine, USA, October 15-17, 2009.

122. Rusconi, P., **Riva, P.**, Cherubini, P., Montali, L. (2009). *A graduate approach to the credibility attribution process*. Poster presented at the sixth Congress of the European Federation of IASP Chapters (EFIC). Lisbon, Portugal, September 9-12, 2009. Published on *European Journal of Pain*, 13(1, Supplement): S223.

123. Montali, L., Colombo, M., & **Riva, P.** (2009). *Xenophobia in political and media discourse*. Talk given at the Xenophobia, Prejudice and Interethnic Relations, PRIN International Conference. Department of Psychology, University of Study of Milano-Bicocca. Milan, Italy, April 16-17, 2009.

124. Frigerio, A., Montali, L. & **Riva, P.** (2009) *"Io non faccio la malata": La costruzione dell'identità tra aspettative di ruolo e stereotipi di genere.* [It's as if PBC didn't exist": Identity construction, role expectancies and gender stereotypes]. Workshop on: "Differenze e disparità": Le questioni sui generi in psicologia sociale. Parma, February 19-20, 2009.

125. **Riva, P.**, Colombo, M., & Montali, L. (2008). *Comparing Right and Left wing discourse on immigration: A lexical correspondence analysis of Italian parliamentary debates*. Talk given at the 9th International Conference on the Statistical Analysis of Textual Data. Lyon, France, March 12-14, 2008, p. 995-1007.

126. **Riva, P.**, Colombo, C., & Colucci, F.P. (2008). *Migrant voices on Italian policies: Immigrants' attitudes towards the Italian law on immigration*. Poster presented at the 15th EAESP General of the European Association of Experimental Social Psychology. Opatija, Croatia, June 10-14, 2008, p. 357.

127. Miglioretti, M., Montali, L., Vecchio, L., Frigerio, A., **Riva, P.**, Podda, M., Selmi, C., Cocchi, C., Invernizzi, P. (2008). *The relationship between illness perception, anxiety, depression, and fatigue in HCV patients*. Poster presented at the 22nd Annual Conference of the European Health Psychology Society, Bath, England, September 9-12, 2008. Published on Psychology and Health, 23 (suppl. 1), 184-185.

128. Montali, L., **Riva, P.**, & Colombo, M. (2008). *The representation of foreigners in right-wing press in Italy: Xenophobia and anti-immigrant discourse.* Talk given at the conference: The State and the 'Others' - Reacting to Xenophobia. Leipzig, Germany, March 11-12, 2008.

129. Montali, L., Colombo, M., **Riva, P.**, & Cipriani, R. (2008). *L'analisi del discorso degli operatori come strumento di indagine delle rappresentazioni del dolore in ospedale*. [Discourse analysis as a tool to explore the representations of pain of healthcare professionals]. Talk given at the VIII National Meeting of the Italian Association of Health Psychology, Rovigo, October 1-4, 2008.

130. **Riva, P.** & Montali, L. (2007). *A comparison of Catholic and Lay perspectives on assisted reproduction: A psycho-rhetorical analysis of three focus group with militant groups*. XI International Conference "Attachment and Religion". Milan, Italy, June 29-30, 2007, p. 50.

131. Montali, L., Colombo, M., Camussi, E., Miglietta, A., & **Riva, P.** (2007). *Xenophobia in political discourse: An analysis of Italian parliamentary debates on immigration*. Talk given at the 4th European Consortium for Political Research. Pisa, Italy, September 6-8, 2007. The paper can be download from the following link: http://www.essex.ac.uk/ecpr/events/generalconference/pisa/papers/PP1046.pdf

132. Montali, L., Colombo, M., **Riva, P.**, & Cipriani, R. (2007). *Rappresentazioni del dolore in ospedale: Un'analisi del discorso degli operatori*. [Representations of pain within the hospital: An Analysis of healthcare professionals' discourse]. Talk given at the conference "CURA 2007", Milan, November 8-10, 2007. The presentation won the prize "CURA 2007" awarded by the AGC onlus - Gilberto Cominetta Association for the palliative care in neurology.

133. Montali, L., Frigerio, A., Miglioretti, M., Podda, M., Selmi, C., Vecchio, L., Cocchi, C., **Riva, P.**, Invernizzi, P. (2008). *Validation of the Italian version of Fisk Fatigue Severity Score (FFSS) and PBC-40*. Talk given at the 41 National Congress of the Italian Association of the Liver Studies (A.I.S.F.), Rome, February 21-22, 2008. Published on *Digestive and Liver Disease*, Vol. 40, Issue 5, May 2008, p. A38.

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