



## Europass Curriculum Vitae

### Personal information

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Nationality Italian

Date of birth 22 March 1987

Gender Male

### Current position

Dates 2021- present

Main activities and responsibilities Assistant Professor (RTD-B), Department of Economics and Statistics, University of Siena, Siena, Italy

### Past position

Dates 2019- 2021

Main activities and responsibilities Post-Doctoral fellow, Department of Economics and Statistics, University of Siena, Siena, Italy

Dates 2016-2019

Main activities and responsibilities Post-Doctoral fellow, Institute of Economics, Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa, Italy

### Education

Dates November 2013-March 2017

Title of qualification awarded PhD in Economics, IMT School for Advanced Studies Lucca, Italy:

Dissertation: “*The French economy in the longue durée: a study on real wages, working days and economic performance from Louis IX to the Revolution (1250-1789)*.” Supervisors: Alessandro Nuvolari and Andrea Vindigni. Examiners: Guido Alfani and Jacob Weisdorf.

Dates May 2011- March 2013

Title of qualification awarded Master of Science in Economics, University of Pisa and Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa, Italy: (110/110 cum laude).

Dates June 2009-May 2011

Title of qualification awarded First year courses of the Master degree in History and Civilization and achievement of credits required for admission to the Master degree in Economics (University of Pisa and Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies).

Dates September 2006-June 2009

Title of qualification awarded Bachelor Degree in History, University of Pisa, Italy: (110/110 cum laude).

### Research

#### Research interests

Economic growth (XIII-XIX centuries) and living standards

Labour markets, Innovation, and Technical change

Long-run accumulation of human capital

#### Published articles

Ridolfi, L. (2017), “The French economy in the longue durée: a study on real wages, working days and economic performance from Louis IX to the Revolution (1250–1789)”, *European Review of Economic History*, 21 (4), 437-438 (diss. summary).

*Working papers and submitted articles*

- Ridolfi, L. (2019) “Six centuries of real wages in France from Louis IX to Napoleon III: 1250–1860”, *Journal of Economic History*, 79 (3), 589-627 (Lead article).
- Ridolfi, L. (2021) “The race between the snail and the tortoise: skill premium and early industrialization in Italy (1861– 1913)” (with Federico, G., Nuvolari, A., and Vasta, M.), *Cliometrica*, 15, 1-42 (Lead article).
- Ridolfi, L. and Nuvolari, A. (2021) “*L’Histoire Immobile?* A Reappraisal of French Economic Growth using the Demand- Side Approach, 1250-1850.” *European Review of Economic History*, 25(3), 405-428 (Lead article).
- Ridolfi, L. (2021) “The days they worked, the incomes they earned: new perspectives on work patterns and annual earnings in the French construction sector (1320-1850).” *Rivista di Storia Economica*, 37(2), 115-150.

Ridolfi, L. and Nuvolari, A. “*L’Histoire Immobile?* A Reappraisal of French Economic Growth using the Demand- Side Approach, 1250-1850.” CEPR Discussion Paper No. DP14985.

Ridolfi, L., Salvo, C., & Weisdorf, J. (2022). The impact of mechanisation on wages and employment: evidence from the diffusion of steam power. CEPR Discussion Paper No. DP17389. (submitted)

Cappelli, G., Ridolfi, L., Vasta, M., & Westberg, J. (2022). Human capital in Europe, 1830s–1930s: towards a new spatial dataset (No. 873). Department of Economics, University of Siena.

Cappelli, G., Ridolfi L and Vasta, M. “Bold and bright? Italy’s 1962 School reform.” (submitted)

Ridolfi, L. “Gender inequality in a transition economy: sexual height dimorphism in Southwestern France, 1640-1850.” (submitted)

Ridolfi, L. “Understanding pre-industrial wages and incomes: a reassessment of the evidence and new interpretations.” (submitted)

*Work in progress*

Ridolfi, L., “On the construction of consumer price indices: Consumption patterns and substitution effects in historical perspective, the case of France, 1300-1850.”

**Refereeing**

*Cliometrica, Economic History Review, European Review of Economic History, Historical Methods: A Journal of Quantitative and Interdisciplinary History, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Evolutionary Economics, Management and Organizational History.*

**Teaching experience**

2017 –

Economic Growth in History: M.Sc. in Economics, University of Pisa and Sant’Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa, Italy.

2020 – 2022

Economic History: teaching assistant, B.Sc. in Economia e Commercio, University of Siena.

2021 – 2022

Principles of Economic History and Economics: Foundation course, University of Siena.

2021–

Fundamentals of Economics and Economic History (mod. Economic History), B.Sc. in Economics and Management (degree in English), University of Siena.

**Selected conferences**

ASE Meeting, Pisa, September 2022  
 AEHE Conference, Bilbao, August-September 2022  
 CEPR, Odense, Denmark, June 2022  
 EHS Annual Conference, Online, March 2021  
 EHES Conference, Paris, August 2019  
 16th Annual STOREP Conference, Siena, June 2019  
 EHS Annual Conference, Belfast, April 2019  
 11th BETA Workshop, Strasbourg, May 2019  
 FRESH-Meeting, Groningen, November 2018  
 EHES Conference 2017, Tuebingen, September 2017  
 EHS Annual Conference 2017, Royal Holloway, London, March-April 2017  
 EHES, Pisa, September 2015

**Grants and honours**

2019 Grant for wage and price data collection, New York University of Abu Dhabi  
 2013 3-year full scholarship, Ph.D. program in Economics, IMT School for Advanced Studies Lucca  
 2013 4-years full LSE Studentship, Ph.D. program in Economic History, London School of Economics and Political Sciences  
 2013 4-year scholarship (2+2): Beca PIF, Ph.D. program in Economic History, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid.  
 2020 Paper “The labour market causes and consequences of general-purpose technological progress: evidence from steam engines,” (Blog mentioning, The Long Run, the EHS blog).  
 2018 French GDP per capita series from Ridolfi (2016), IMT School for Advanced Studies Lucca, PhD dissertation included in the Maddison Project Database 2018.  
 2017 Selected among the three finalists of Gino Luzzatto Dissertation Prize awarded by the European Historical Economics Society. PhD Dissertation “The French economy in the longue durée. A study on real wages, working days and economic performance from Louis IX to the Revolution (1250-1789)”  
 2017 Paper “French economic growth from Philippe Le Bel to the Revolution (1280-1789),” presented at the Economic History Society Conference, RHUL London, 2017, selected as relevant for media-press (Press briefing available at the EHS website).

**Personal skills and competences**

Mother tongue(s) Italian  
 Other language(s) English (Proficiency, CEFR: C2); French (CEFR: B1).

Computer skills and competences Office package, Stata, R, QGIS, Matlab (basics).

*Data*

30/09/2022