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#### **CURRENT AND PREVIOUS POSITIONS**

- 2019 today Assistant Professor, Department of Social and Political Sciences, Bocconi University
- 2018 2019 Max Geldner Assistant Professor, Faculty of Business and Economics, Basel University
- 2015 2018 Post-doctoral Associate, Social Science Division, NYU Abu Dhabi
- 2014 2015 Marie Curie Experienced Researcher Fellow, Economics, SciencesPo, Paris, France

#### EDUCATION

2013 PhD Economics, Department of Economic and Statistics – University of Siena, Italy.

## PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

- Bowles, S. and **M. Fochesato**, 2024 "The Origins of Enduring Economic Inequality", *Journal of Economic Literature* (forthcoming).
- Belloc, M., Drago, F., **Fochesato**, **M.** and R. Galbiati, R., 2024 "Multigenerational Transmission of Wealth: Florence 1404-1480 ", *American Economic Journal: Applied*, 16(2), 99-129.
- Alfani, G., Bonetti, M. and **M. Fochesato**, 2024, "Pandemics and socio-economic status. Evidence from the plague of 1630 in northern Italy", *Population Studies*, 78(1), 21-42.
- Bogaard, A., Ortman, S. Birch, J., Cervantes Quequezana, G., Chirikure, S., Crema, E.R., Cruz, P., Feinman, G., Fochesato, M., Green, A. S., Gronenborn, D., Hamerow, H., Jin, G. Kerig, T., Lawrence, D., McCoy, M.D., Munson, J., Roscoe, P., Rosenstock, E., Thompson, A., Petrie, C.A., Kohler, T.A., 2023 "The Global Dynamics of Inequality (GINI) project: analysing archaeological housing data." *Antiquity*. 1-7.
- Fochesato, M., Higham, C., Castillo, C. and A. Bogaard, 2021, "Changing Social Inequality From First Farmers to Early States in Southeast Asia", *PNAS*, 118 (47).
- Fochesato, M., 2021, "Plagues, wars, political change and fiscal capacity. Late medieval and renaissance Siena, 1337-1556. *Economic History Review*, 74:4, p. 1031-1061.
- Fochesato, M., Bogaard, A. and S. Bowles, S., 2019, "Comparing ancient inequalities: the challenge of comparability, bias, and precision." *Antiquity*, 93:370, p. 853-869.
- Bogaard, A., Fochesato, M. and S. Bowles, S., 2019, "The farming-inequality nexus: new methods and evidence from western Eurasia." *Antiquity*, 93:371, p. 1129-1143.
- Fochesato, M., 2018, "Origins of Europe's North-South Divide: Population Changes, Real Wages and the 'Little Divergence' in Early Modern Europe", *Explorations in Economic History*, 70, p. 91-131.
- Kohler. T., Smith, M., Bogaard, A., Feinman, G., Peterson, C., Betzenhauser, A., Pailes, M., Elizabeth C.
  Stone, E., Prentiss, M., Dennehy, T., Ellyson, L., Nicholas, L., Ronald K. Faulseit, R., Styring, A.,
  Whitlam, J., Fochesato, M., Foor, F. and Bowles, S., "Greater Post-Neolithic Wealth Disparities in Eurasia than Americas", 2017, *Nature*.
- Fochesato, M. and Bowles, S., 2015, "Nordic Exceptionalism? Social democratic egalitarianism in world historic perspective." *Journal of Public Economics*, 127, 30-44.

#### WORKING PAPERS

- Alfani, G., Di Tullio, M. and **M. Fochesato**, 2024, "Wealth inequality and epidemics in the Republic of Venice (1400-1800)". *R&R Economic History Review*.
- Belloc, M., Drago, F., Fochesato, M. and R. Galbiati, R., 2022, "Wealth Accumulation and Institutional Capture: the Rise of the Medici and the Fall of the Florentine Republic". *CEPR Discussion Paper No.* 17456.
- Bogaard, A., Cruz, P., Fochesato, M., Birch, J., Cervantes Quequezana, G., Chirikure, S., Crema, E., Feinman, G.M., Green, A.S, Jin, G., Kerig, T., Hamerow, H., Lawrence, D., McCoy, M.D., Munson, J., Ortman, S., Petrie, C.A., Roscoe, P., "Of labor and land, scarcity and value: land use and the global dynamics of inequality". *R&R PNAS*.
- Brioschi A. and **Fochesato**, **M.**, 2024, "The Determinants of the Skill Premium in Late Medieval and Early Modern Europe". *R&R European Economic History Review*
- Crema, E., Fochesato, M., Mejía Ramon, A.G., Munson, J., and S. Ortman, "Towards Multiscalar Measures of Inequality in Archaeology", *R&R PNAS*.
- Fochesato, M. and Bowles, S., 2024. "Technology, Institutions, and wealth inequality: what do we learn from comparable estimates over 12 millennia?" *CEPR Discussion Paper No. 19064*.
- Fochesato, M. and Bowles, S., 2024. "Accounting for the Uncertainties and bias in archaeological and historical evidence on wealth inequality". *CEPR Discussion Paper No. 18960*.
- Kohler, T.A., Bogaard, A., Ortman, S., Crema, E., Chirikure, S., Cruz, P., Green, A., Kerig, T., McCoy, M., Munson, J., Petrie, C., Thompson, A., Birch, J., Cervantes Quequezana, G., Feinman, G., Fochesato, M., Gronenborn, D., Hamerow, H., Jin, G., Lawrence, D., Roscoe, P., Rosenstock, E., Erny, G., Kim, H., Ohlrau, R., 2024, "World Prehistory of Wealth Inequality". *R&R PNAS*.

#### **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

Bogaard, A., Styring, A., Whitlam, J., Fochesato, M. and Bowles, S., 2018. "Farming, inequality and urbanization: a comparative analysis of late prehistoric northern Mesopotamia and south-west Germany." In *Ten Thousand Years of Inequality: The Archaeology of Wealth Differences*, edited by T. Kohler and M. Smith. Tucson: University of Arizona Press, Amerind Seminar Series.

#### **FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS**

2022	PRIN project "Tracing the roots of human capital inequality in early modern Italy, 17 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup>
	centuries". PI: Gabriele Cappelli (University of Siena). Head of unit 2 (Bocconi University).
	Unit funding: 98,840 EUR.
2021	European Union CIVICA Consortium Grant "The Long Shadow of Educational, Skills, and
	Professional Inequities in Time and in Space: Implications for Polarization and Support for
	Populism in Europe." With Tomila Lankina (LSE), Guido Alfani (U Bocconi) and
	Alexander Liebman (Freie Universität Berlin). Grant: 10,000 EUR.
2020	Unit member of PRIN project "Economic Development in Italy from the Middle Age to
	today: a regional perspective". PI: Prof Jacob Weisdorf (University of Rome, La Sapienza)
	Unit 3, Bocconi University, unit funding: 196,000 EUR.
2014-2015	Marie Curie Fellowship, MACROHIST Network, SciencesPo, Paris.
2012	Earhart Foundation Fellowship for Visiting Scholar Program at Stanford University.

## **REFEREE FOR**

PNAS; Nature Cities; Journal of Economic History; Explorations in Economic History; Economic History Review; European Review of Economic History; Antiquity; Oxford Economic Papers; Business History Review; Rivista di Storia Economica Italiana (Italian Review of Economic History); FSR – FNRS Belgium; Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation); Investigaciones de Historia Económica – Economic History Research (IHR-EHR); Journal of Interdisciplinary History of Ideas.

## **PAST SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES**

- 2024: Economic History Society Annual Conference; Fondazione di Storia Economica "F. Datini" LV Study Week - Sant'Anna, Pisa.
- 2023: University of Tübingen Seminar Series; Virtual Economic History Seminar; University of Barcelona, Seminar Series at the Department of Economics; Yale -UB Historical Political Economy Workshop
- 2022: Oxford Seminar Series in Social and Economic History; European Society of Historical Demography Conference (Madrid, March 2022); Plague and Plagues Conference – Palma de Mallorca; World Economic History Conference - Paris
- 2021: Economic History Society Annual Conference; Big Data in Economic History Conference IAST Toulouse, SiDEs – University of Milan, Bicocca.
- 2020: Economics department webinar series- University of Siena.
- 2019: Bocconi University; EHS Conference Belfast; EHES Conference Paris; African Economic History Congress - Barcelona; State Capacity Conference - Manchester.
- 2018: Asian Historical Economics Conference Hong Kong; World Economic History Conference Boston; Universidad de los Andes, Bogota.
- 2017: IER Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo; Basel University.
- 2016: 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association; 5<sup>th</sup> Asian Historical Economics Conference - Seoul; CEPR-NYU-CAGE Economic History Conference, NYUAD.
- 2015: International Medieval Congress; Co-evolution of behaviors and institutions workshop, Santa Fe Institute; Paris School of Economics; Birkbeck College (London); Colorado State University.

## TEACHING

- 2023/24 Bocconi University: Economic History (BA Economic and Social Science); History of Political Institutions (BA International Politics and Government).
- 2021/22 Bocconi University: Economic History (BA Economic and Social Science); History of Political Institutions (BA International Politics and Government).
- 2020/21 Bocconi University: Economic History (BA Economic and Social Science); Economic History (BA International Economics and Management); History of Political Institutions (BA International Politics and Government).
- 2019/20 Bocconi University: Economic History (BA Economic and Social Science); Economic History (BA International Economics and Management); History of Institutions (PhD program in Public Policy and Administration).
- 2018/19 Bocconi University: History of Political Institutions (BA International Politics and Government)
- 2018/19 Basel University: Global Economic History" (BA); Economic Inequality in Historical Perspective" (MSc).
- 2017/18 NYU Abu Dhabi: GEPS Global Economic, Political and Social Development since 1500 (BA).