

Francesco Mazzulla

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Current Position

Research Fellow, University of Bologna, Department of Statistical Sciences “Paolo Fortunati” Sept 2023 – in progress

Research project: PNRR Funding - Project NextGenerationEU, ‘Statistical methods for the economic analysis of supply chain valorisation and policy evaluation’

Academic discipline: SECS-S/03 Economic Statistics

Supervisor: Prof. Meri Raggi

Education

- **Bachelor’s degree in Economics**, University of Calabria, Department of Economics, Statistics and Finance Sept 2014 – Sept 2017
- **Master’s degree in Economics and Trade**, University of Calabria, Department of Economics, Statistics and Finance Sept 2017 – Sept 2019
Final Grade: 110/110 cum laude
Thesis: Teaching cooperative behaviour: evidence from a randomized controlled trial
Supervisor: Prof. Giuseppe Rose
- **MSc in Applied Economics and Data Analysis**, University of Essex, Department of Economics Oct 2020 – Oct 2021
Final Grade: Distinction
Final Dissertation: Relaxing occupational licensing in Italy: a difference in differences analysis on pharmacists mobility and wages
Supervisor: Prof. Marco Francesconi
- **PhD in Economics and Business Sciences**, University of Calabria, Department of Economics, Statistics and Finance Nov 2019 – Nov 2023
Thesis: Three empirical essays on the deregulation of licensing in the pharmacy retail sector in Italy
Supervisor: Prof. Giuseppe Rose

Teaching

Tutor of the course:

- Microeconomics, Bsc in Economics, SECS-P/01, 66 hours, University of Calabria, Department of Economics, Statistics and Finance Dec 2019 – Jun 2020
- Statistics, BSc in Business Economics, SECS-S/01, 26 hours, University of Bologna, Department of Management-DISA Jan 2024 – Jun 2025

Training

4th ‘Giovanni Anania’ Summer School On Evidence-Based Policy Making, University of Calabria, Department of Economics, Statistics and Finance Jul 2023
“Economy-wide models for agricultural, food and environmental policy analysis”

Publications

Mazzulla F., Raggi M. (2024). A staggered difference-in-differences analysis of the deregulation of pharmacy sector in Italy, in Fabrizi E., Giambona F.A., Marini C., Maletta A., Rocca A. (eds) Book of short papers of 2nd Italian Conference on Economic Statistics (ICES 2024) "Statistical Analysis of Complex Economic Data: recent development and applications" pp. 144-147, Bonechi Editrice. ISBN: 978-88-476-2950-9.

Submitted Papers

Mazzulla F., Raggi M. (2025). Do economic performance and innovation have a relationship? The role of OGs in the agri-food sector in Italy, "Bio-based and Applied Economics (BAE)", first stage of review (minor review request)

Mazzulla F., Raggi M. (2025). Deregulation and licensing of pharmacy sector in Italy: public interest or regulatory capture?, "Health Policy", under review

Working Papers

Mazzulla F., Raggi M. (2025). An evaluation of the EIP-AGRI policy using balance-sheet data of Italian farms

Mazzulla F., Raggi M. (2025). Italy's young farmer establishment: a preliminary evaluation of RDP 2014–2022 measure 6.1

Bonfiglio A., Lai M., Mazzulla F., Raggi M., Vagnozzi A. (2025). Assessing the impact of EIP-AGRI operational groups on farmers' sustainability

Conferences

As speaker:

Mazzulla F., Relaxing licensing in Italy: a staggered difference in differences analysis using balance-sheet data of Italian pharmacies, 64th Annual Conference of the Italian Economic Association, Gran Sasso Science Institute (GSSI), L'Aquila, 19-21 october 2023. Oct 2023

Mazzulla F., Raggi M., Licensing in Italy: consumer protection or rent-seeking problem? Evidence from a staggered difference in differences analysis using balance-sheet data of Italian pharmacies, 2nd Italian Conference on Economic Statistics, University of Firenze, 7-8 february, 2024. Feb 2024

Mazzulla F., Raggi M., Innovation and economic performance in the Italian agricultural sector, 13th AIEAA Conference, University of Bari, 20-21 june, 2024 Jun 2024

As speaker and chair:

Mazzulla F., Raggi M., Does operating in innovative contexts improve the economic performance of the Italian agri-food sector?, LX Convegno Sidea, Anacapri, 15-17 september, 2024 Sept 2024
Parallel session: "Innovating in agriculture"

Research Interests

Policy evaluation, Difference-In-Differences methods, econometric analysis

Skills

Languages: Italian (Mother tongue), English (IELTS overall band score: 7.0 CEFR Level: C1)

Software: STATA, R, Python, Microsoft Office, Latex