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## EMPLOYMENT

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06/2014 – now	Acting Professor (W2), Chair of Business and Economic Studies of East Asia, Mercator School of Management and Institute of East Asian Studies (IN-EAST), University of Duisburg-Essen
09/2012 – 05/2014	Assistant Professor, Stockholm School of Economics
12/2011 – 02/2013	Post-doctoral Fellow, DFG Graduierten-Kolleg 1613 “Risk and East Asia”, Institute of East Asian Studies, University of Duisburg-Essen
08/2005 – 08/2008	Economic Researcher, Industrial and Commercial Bank of China

## EDUCATION

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09/2008 – 04/2012	Ph.D. in Economics at DEFAP, Catholic University of Milan Dissertation: “Accountability in One-party Government: Rethinking the Success of Chinese Economic Reform” Awarded Best Ph.D. Dissertation by the International Society for New Institutional Economics (ISNIE), 2012
03/2011 – 07/2011	Visiting research scholar, School of Global Policy and Strategy, University of California, San Diego
09/2003 – 07/2005	Master in Industrial Economics at Nanjing University of Science and Technology
09/1999 – 07/2003	B.A. in Mechanical Engineering at Nanjing University of Science and Technology

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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09/2016 –	President, Chinese Economic Association (Europe/UK)
09/2016 –	Guest Editor of <i>Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies</i>
10/2015 –	Invited expert of the laboratory of “One Belt, One Road” at the Chongqing Academy of Social Sciences.

03/2017	“ <i>Boxiang</i> ” visiting scholar on the “The Belt and Road Initiative”, Fudan Development Institute, Fudan University.
09/2015 –	“ <i>Zijin</i> ” visiting scholar, Nanjing University of Science and Technology
09/2014 – 10/2014	Visiting Professor at University of Milan-Bicocca
03/2011 – 07/2011	GLI Fellow, IR/PS, University of California, San Diego
11/2017	Organizer and Conference Chair of the Third International Forum on the “New Silk Road” and Sino-European Cooperation, jointly held by IN-EAST, China Center for Contemporary World Studies (CCCWS), Fudan Development Institute, and Confucius Institute
09/2016	Organizer and Conference Chair of the Second International Forum on the “New Silk Road” and Sino-European Cooperation, jointly held by IN-EAST and China Center for Contemporary World Studies (CCCWS), and Confucius Institute
06/2015	Organizer, First International Joint Seminar on the “New Silk Road” and Sino-European Cooperation, jointly held by IN-EAST and China Center for Contemporary World Studies (CCCWS)

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## **MONOGRAPHS AND EDITED VOLUMES**

Special Issue on “Trade and the New Silk Road”, with Hans-Jörg Schmerer, *Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies*, Issue 3, Volume 15, 2017.

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## **JOURNALS**

“The Effect of the New Silk Road Railways on Aggregate Trade Volumes between China and Europe”, with Kierstin Bolton, and Theo Westphal. *Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies* (forthcoming).

“Logrolling under fragmented authoritarianism. Theory and evidence from China”, with Mario Gilli and Jiwei Qian. *Public Choice*, 83(1), p. 1–18, 2018. DOI: 10.1007/s11127-018-0526-4.

“Trade and the New Silk Road: Opportunities, Challenges, and Solutions”, with Hans-Jörg Schmerer, *Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies*, 15(3), p. 205–213, 2017.

“La Belt & Road Initiative: oltre gli ostacoli alla cooperazione fra Cina ed Europa?” [in Italian: Can the Belt and Road Initiative Reduce Obstacles of Cooperation Between China and Europe?] – *Orizzonte Cina*, 8(2), p. 5–6, 2017.

“Power Structure of Revolutionary Organizations and Political Transition”, with Guangzhen Guo and Jun Zhang, *Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies*, 14(1), p. 89–106, 2016.

“Coups, Revolutions and Efficient Policies in Autocracies”, with Mario Gilli, *European Journal of Political Economy*, 39, p. 109–124, 2015.

“Accountability in One-Party Government: Rethinking the Success of Chinese Economic Reform”, with Mario Gilli, *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics*, 170(4), p. 616–645, 2014.

“Downward Accountability in Response to Collective Actions: The Political Economy of Public Goods Provision in China”, *The Economics of Transition*, 22(1), p. 69–103, 2014.

“A Model of Chinese Central Government: The Role of Reciprocal Accountability”, with Mario Gilli, *The Economics of Transition*, 21(3), p. 451–477, 2013.

“Citizenry Accountability in Autocracies”, with Mario Gilli, *Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy*, 18(3), p. 1–12, 2012.

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## **ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS**

“La nuova via della seta in una prospettiva di political economy intervista con Li Yuan”, by Garruccio, Roberta. In: *SGUARDI SULL'ASIA e altri scritti in onore di Alessandra Cristina Lavagnino*, LCM – La Collana / The Series 9788879168267, p. 97–110, 2017.

Demystifying the Belt and Road Initiative: Scope, Actors and Repercussion for Europe, with Mario Esteban. *Working Papers on East Asian Studies, No. 117, Duisburg* 2017.

“Belt and Road: A Logic Behind the Myth”. In: Amighini eds. “*China's Belt and Road: A Game Changer?*”. Edizioni Epoké – ISPI, Milan 2017.

“Railways of the New Silk Road: Bridging Europe with Asia”, *Harbours Review*, 1, 2017.

“Going East - Baltic ties with Asia: Railways of the New Silk Road”, *Baltic Transport Journal*, 6, 2016.

“Duisburg als Endpunkt der Seidenstraße (Duisburg as the end point of the New Silk Road)”, *Konfuzius Institut*, 2, p. 24–28, 2016. (in German and Chinese)

“政治经济学视角下的中国问题研究—对李远教授的采访 (China Study in the Perspective of Political Economics – An Interview of Prof. Yuan Li)”, by Xiaobo He. In: *经济资料译丛 [Journal of Translation from Foreign Literature of Economics]*, 4, p. 96–100, 2014. (in Chinese)

“Research on the Risks in the Online Banking Business in China”, with Hanfei Tong, *Jing Ji Yan Jiu Dao Kan*, 9, p. 75–76, 2007. (in Chinese)

“The Irrational Behaviors of the Stock Investors in China: A Study Based on Behavioral Finance”, with Mingwei Zhou, *Jing Ji Zong Heng*, 12, p. 38–40, 2005. (in Chinese)

“The Existing Ways of Venture Capital in China”, with Mingwei Zhou, *Shi Chang Zhou Kan*, 8, p. 98–99, 2005. (in Chinese)

## **MEDIA INTERVIEWS**

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06/09/2017 “‘BRICS+’ can help economic globalization benefit the majority”, *China News Service*.

04/07/2017 “Rise seen in Sino-German investment: B&R initiative, innovation providing new opportunities”, *Global Times*.

14/01/2017 “B&R initiative new opening-up strategy: scholar”, *Xinhua News*.

05/01/2017 “New Silk Road”, The World this Weekend, Episode 300276087. *Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC)*.

03/11/2016 “A Glimpse into the New World Economy” – Interview by the *BBC Radio 4*.

07/03/2016 “China’s Development Blueprint shows Confidence – Comments on the ‘2016 Report on the Work of the Government’ ” – Interview by *The People’s Daily*.

06/02/2016 “China is Still the Propeller for the World Economy” – Interview by *The People’s Daily*.

16/10/ 2015 Stimulating Market Vitality, Deepening Opening Up – Interview by *The People’s Daily*.

22/10/ 2015 International Railway Transportation Corridors Facilitate Sino-European Trade and Economic Exchange – Interview by *The People’s Daily*.

18/03/2015 Nicht meine Heimatstadt, aber mein Zuhause – Interview by *West German Newspaper (WAZ)*.

## **INVITED TALKS, CONFERENCES AND LECTURES**

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07/2017 “Understanding the Belt and Road Initiative through the Linkage between Domestic and International Dynamics” – Keynote Speech at The 2017 Chinese Economic Association (Europe/UK) China Conference, hosted by Southwestern University of Finance and Economics (SWUFE), Chengdu, China.

06/2017 “The Impact of the New Silk Road Railways on Local Economic Development” – Invited talk at special panel on the Belt and Road Initiative at the 2017 GIS Asian Studies Congress, Paris, France.

06/2017 “Belt and road: A logic behind the myth” – Invited talk at the Fourth Annual Meeting of the International Consortium for China Studies, hosted by University of Mannheim, Germany.

05/2017 “Can the Belt and Road Initiative Reduce Obstacles of Cooperation Between China and Europe?” – Invited talk at China Watcher Seventh Maria Weber Annual Conference, hosted by ISPI and Fondazione Italia Cina, Milan, Italy.

05/2017 “A Model of Policy-making Process in China” – Invited Seminar at Department of Economics and Finance, Catholic University of Milan.

03/2017 Invited Seminar at Global Think Tank Center, Fudan University.

02/2017 “Understanding the Belt and Road Initiative through the linkage between Domestic and International Dynamics” – Workshop on OBOR and RMB Internationalization, University of Duisburg-Essen.

01/2017 “Looking for Mutual Benefits: Can the Belt and Road Initiative Breed a New White Swan for the World Economy?” – Invited talk at CSCC Conference on Chinese Investment in Europe, a Need for Reciprocity, hosted by Centro Studi sulla Cina Contemporanea, Rome, Italy.

12/2017 “New Normal Meets One Belt, One Road” – International Workshop China’s “New Normal”: Politics, Economic Reforms and Political Philosophy, University of Duisburg-Essen.

11/2016 “Bridging Europe with Asia” – Host of the Harbors 360 Conference, Duisburg, Germany.

09/2016 “The significance of the Belt and Road Initiative to China and Europe” – Invited talk at Conference on “Building the 21st Century Maritime Silk Road: Mutual Learning, Joint Action, Multiple Win”, hosted by The Silk Road Think-Tank Association, Xiamen, China.

06/2016 Invited talk at the special panel “In Honor of Douglass North: Violence and Politics” at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics (SIOE).

05/2016 EastAsiaNet (EAN) 10th Anniversary Research Workshop, University of Coimbra.

04/2016 International Conference on “BRICS New Financial and Investment Initiatives: Economic and Geopolitical Implications”, Barcelona University.

02/2016 Seminar at School of Economics, Fudan University.

02/2016 Silk Road Think Tank Association Conference, Shenzhen.

01/2016 International Conference on “Analysis of China’s Institutions: Theory and Evidence”, Tsinghua University.

12/2015 Seminar at Nanjing University Business School.

12/2015 Guest lecture at “Schumpeter Innovation Forum” at Nanjing Normal University.

12/2015 One Belt One Road: Opportunities of Development for Shanghai and Hong Kong, Shanghai-Hong Kong Development Institute 2015 Annual Conference.

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## **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Chinese (native), English (fluent), German (medium), Italian (basic)