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ports”, with A. Blasco & P. Pin.  
*European Economic Review*, 83: 243–261, 2016.  
  
- “Meet the Press: How Voters and Politicians Respond to Newspaper Entry  
and Exit”, with F. Drago & T. Nannicini;  
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2014.  
  
- “Citizen-Editors’ Endogenous Information Acquisition and News Accuracy”  
*Journal of Public Economics*, 113: 43-53, 2014.  
  
- “Indirect Lobbying and Media Bias”  
*Quarterly Journal of Political Science*, 6 (3-4): 235-274, 2011.  
  
- “Electoral Participation and Communicative Voting in Europe”, with P. Navar-  
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BOOK CHAPTERS- LITERATURE REVIEWS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- “New Media, New issues”, in C. Menard &amp; M. Shirley (eds.). <i>A Research Agenda for New Institutional Economics</i>. Edward Elgar Publishing. Forthcoming.</li> <li>- “The Political Economy of News Media: Theory, Evidence and Open Issues”, in F. Forte, R. Mudambi &amp; P. Navarra (eds.). <i>Handbook of Alternative Theories of Public Economics</i>. Cheltenham, Edward Elgar Press. 2014.</li> <li>- “Competition and Commercial Media Bias”, with Andrea Blasco <i>Telecommunications Policy</i>, 36 (5): 434–447, 2012.</li> </ul>								
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CONFERENCES  
(2010-) 2016 - : 2018 EPCS conference; 3rd Economics of Platforms Workshop; Second Applied Microeconomics Workshop, Bolzano; 15th Media Economics Workshop, Barcelona; “Shaping Digitalization at a Global Level”, Kiel Institute for the World Economy; 2017 Petralia-Ortigia Workshop in Applied Economics; Digital Economy Workshop, Barcelona Summer Forum; 2nd Economics of Media Bias Workshop, Lausanne; ICCEE 2017; European Meeting of the Econometrics Society (ESEM), Geneva; 2016 Petralia Workshop in Applied Economics; 2nd Summer Workshop in Political Economy, EIEF; 1st Padua Political Economy Workshop; 2016 International Meeting on Experimental and Behavioral Social Sciences (IMEBESS).

2014-2015: Annual Scientific Seminar on the Economics of Communication and Media, European University Institute; SIEP XXIV Conference; Petralia Workshop in Applied Economics; XIV Conference in Media Economics; “Economic Analysis of Electoral Politics” Workshop (Barcelona Summer Forum).

2012-2013: 2013 EUI Alumni Conference in Economics; Petralia Workshop in Applied Economics; ISNIE 2013; Social Media and Political Participation, NYU La Pietra Dialogues; EUI Conference on “Communications and Media Markets” 2012 and 2013, European University Institute; XXXVI Simposio of the Spanish Economic Association, Malaga.

2010-2011: 9th Workshop in Media Economics, Moscow; Petralia Workshop in Applied Economics; UCL Blackboard Workshop in Political Economics; EUI Workshop in Economics of Communication and Media; European Meeting of the European Economic Association (EEA), Glasgow; Workshop on Media Economics and Public Policy, New York

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Seminars in Econ & Finance, Catholic University of Milan	2014-2015
Political Economy Workshop, Catholic University of Milan	2014
EUI Conference on “Communications and Media Markets”	2013
IMT Lucca Economics Seminars.	2009-2011

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	Principles of Economics (BA). LUISS.	2016; 2017
	Microeconomia (BA). LUISS.	2016
	Public Finance (BA). Catholic University of Milan.	2015
	Political and Public Economics (MA). Catholic University of Milan.	2014
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