

## LAURA CASI

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### EDUCATION

- Enrolled at the first year of **Economics Ph.D** at *Graduate School in Social Economic and Political Sciences*, «Università Statale di Milano», Milan, Italy
- **Master of Sciences Degree** in *Economic And Social Sciences* (international class group taught in English), «Luigi Bocconi» University, Milan, Italy.

Final Report: « ENHANCING TRADE THROUGH MIGRATION. A GRAVITY MODEL OF THE NETWORK EFFECT», in which I give evidence of the trade enhancing effect of migration considering 19 European countries and their 10 extra-European partner countries being the main sources of migration flows towards the EU.

Final Grade: 110/110 cum laude (*December 2008*)

- **Undergraduate Degree** in Discipline Economiche e Sociali (DES – cl.28 Economics), «*Luigi Bocconi*» University, Milan, Italy.

Final Report: « THE CONVERGENCE OF EUROPEAN UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BETWEEN 1995 AND 2005», in which, through an econometric analysis, I've tried to show the degree of convergence of European employment market by analyzing the main determinant variables.

Final Grade: 110/110 (*October 2006*).

- **High school diploma** obtained in *Liceo Classico statale «Melchiorre Gioia»*, Piacenza, Italy.

Final Exam note: 100/100 (*July 2003*).

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### EDUCATION ABROAD

- Enrolled as **exchange student at Université Libre De Bruxelles** – Belgium (*February/ June 2006*), Faculty of Economics,

where I attended the following courses: Economie Régionale Européenne, Economie Internationale Et Du Développement, Sociologie Des Relations Internationales and Socio-Economie.

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### WORK EXPERIENCES

- **Research activities:**

European Commission, DG-REGIO \_ "**REGIONS BENEFITING FROM GLOBALISATION AND INCREASED TRADE**", project realized by ISLA-Bocconi University in partnership with Politecnico di Milano and IGEAT-ULB, scientific coordinator: Professor Roberta Capello, unit coordinator: Professor Laura Resmini (*September 2008 - September 2009*)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Stage at the European Commission</b> _ DG-DEV _ Unit A1 "Policy coherence and forward looking studies" (<i>January - April 2008</i>),</li> </ul> <p>where I prepared policy papers and short Info Notes on policy relevant issues, I had a part in collecting information and data on progress against MDGs, assisting in drafting the Commission Communication "EU as a global partner for development" and contributed to the work of the Unit on Policy Coherence for Development in the domain of migration, climate change, biofuels and sovereign funds.</p>
LANGUAGES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Italian:</b> mother tongue</li> <li>• <b>English:</b> fluent (FCE and University Studies)</li> <li>• <b>French:</b> fluent (DALF C1)</li> <li>• <b>Spanish:</b> basic (B1 exam and UIMP summer course)</li> </ul>
COMPUTER SKILLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>European Computer Driving Licence (ECDL)</b> - sections: 2 (Files management), 3 (Word processing), 4 (Spreadsheet), 7 (Information networks) - good knowledge of the others Office programs ( Power point, ...)</li> <li>• <b>Stata, E- views 4/5, Matlab</b></li> </ul>
OTHER EXPERIENCES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ISPI Winter school's course</b> about "Globalization and sustainable poverty", organized by the Institute of International Politics' Studies, Milan, Italy (<i>April 2007</i>)</li> <li>• <b>Competition "Vado Bene per l'Europa?"</b>, a quiz competition organised by the European Parliament's office in Milan, Milan, Italy (<i>November - December 2006</i>)</li> <li>• <b>Interdisciplinary course of Geopolitics</b> in «Luigi Bocconi» University, Milan, Italy (<i>September 2004 - January 2005</i>)</li> <li>• <b>Interdisciplinary course of Philosophy</b> in «Luigi Bocconi» University, Milan, Italy (<i>October 2003 - January 2004</i>)</li> </ul>
PAPERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>"Enhancing trade through migration. A gravity model for the network effect"</b>, Mimeo, paper presented at the 11<sup>th</sup> <i>ETSG conference</i>, Rome, Italy <i>10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> September 2009</i></li> <li>• <b>"Evidence on the determinants of foreign direct investment: the case of EU Regions"</b> joint with Laura Resmini, Mimeo, paper presented at the 49<sup>th</sup> <i>ERSA conference</i>, Lodz, Poland <i>25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> August 2009</i></li> </ul>

*I hereby authorise the use of my personal details according to the Italian law 675/96.*