

## MAIN PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- 10/2018** – *Senior Researcher*  
NATO DEFENSE COLLEGE – Rome, Italy
- 07/2017** – *Post-doctoral fellow*
- 09/2018** Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs  
Kennedy School of Government  
HARVARD UNIVERSITY – Cambridge, MA
- 08/2017** – *Team member: Asia Pacific Study Group*
- 10/2017** Office of Net Assessment  
Office of the Secretary of Defense  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE – Washington, DC
- 10/2016** – *Post-doctoral fellow (Affiliate from 07/2017-present)*
- 06/2017** Center for International Security and Cooperation  
Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies  
STANFORD UNIVERSITY – Stanford, CA
- 09/2012** – *Associate fellow*
- 07/2013** EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTE FOR SECURITY STUDIES – Paris, France

## EDUCATION

- 06/2014** PhD, Social and Political Science: International Relations  
EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE – Florence, Italy
- 06/2010** MRes. Social and Political Science: Methodology  
EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE – Florence, Italy
- 12/2007** MSc, International Relations  
LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS & POLITICAL SCIENCE – London, UK
- 12/2005** BA, Political Science and Economics (*cum laude*)  
UNIVERSITY OF TURIN – Turin, Italy

## PRODUCTS

- One of only 2 Europe-based scholars with publications in 3 best security journals: 1 in *Intl Security* about military technology, 2 in *Sec. Studies* on drones and suicide terrorism diffusion, 1 in *Journal of Strategic Studies* about technological change and military recruitment.
- Work for world top-10 defense company, US DOD Office of Net Assessment, NATO HQ, EU Military Committee & others.
- Talks: at European Defence Agency, NATO Military Committee, Italian Parliament, Council of the EU, Stanford, Harvard, ETH, Oxford, War Colleges and political science conferences multiple times.

## IMPACT

Publications featured in *Washington Post*, *Foreign Policy*, *The Economist*, *The Diplomat* among others; assigned for classes at Harvard, Stanford, Columbia, UChicago, UC-Berkeley, Notre Dame, SciencePo, Georgetown, Princeton, ETH-Zurich, Hertie School, Geneva Graduate Institute, LUISS; #3 in 2019 for downloads, #15 in 2019 for retweets in political science.

## LIFE PHILOSOPHY

"Limits, like fear, are often just an illusion."

## SKILLS, TRAINING & TEACH

ENG, ITA, GER, FRA, Stat; *Summer Workshop on An. of Mil. Ops and Strat* (Columbia); *Hack the Machine* (Booz Allen Hamilton & Naval Postg School); Mentor for Stanford's *Hacking for Defense*.

## PRIZES

2015 European Defence Agency Best Dissertation Prize  
2020 America in the World Consortium Article Prize

## STRENGTHS

Hardworking, passionate, pro-innovation, team-worker, analytical & cooperative. Office nickname: firefighter.

## ACCOLADES (from 3<sup>rd</sup> parties)

*Publications.* "Their research is just brilliant" (Editor, most important journal of the field). "This [analysis] is really insightful" (Chairman, top-10 defense company worldwide). "The breadth of this research is amazing" (Senior US DOD official). "They are among the few who said something truly new about cyber" (Full Professor, Top 10 university worldwide). "Your drone article changed our thinking" (Member of US DOD Task Force on Drones).

*Presentations.* "You have everything to be a true disruptor" (Founder, major Eu-wide defense organization). "We were all impressed" (NATO Director). "That was impressive." (NATO Director).

## OTHERS

- First-generation college student;
- Exercise 4-6 times per week, 43-47 weeks per year;
- Mauro is my twin brother.
- 2008-2018: 2 luggages, 15 cities, 26 moves, 38 apartments.