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### Summary of Qualification

As political scientist, I have been researching issues of international migration, migration and European integration since 1997 with a comparative approach and by drawing on mixed methods of analyses. My current research deals with transnational migration from a theoretical and empirical perspective. The geographical focus of my work spans from Western to Central and South-Eastern Europe, and cover also the Post-Soviet migration space with emphasis on the dynamics and multimodal character of migration flows in a changing policy context. Contribution to migration research include, among the other, issues of irregular migration (Ruspini, 2009a; 2002a; 2000b), human trafficking (Di Nicola et al., 2009b), migration control (Ruspini, 2008a), multiculturalism (Eade and Ruspini, 2014a) immigrant integration (Ruspini, 2005) as well as explorations of the European migration space (Górny and Ruspini, 2004; Ruspini, 2008b; 2010a; 2010b; 2014c), the convergence processes of the EU migration policy and transnationalism in East-West perspective (Richter et al. 2017; Ruspini, 2011). I have been working in many collaborative projects at national and European level and I am active in research networks regarding international migration like IMISCOE as well as being from time to time advisor for national and international organisations (e.g. the Swiss National Science Foundation, the Council of Europe, and the European Commission).

I was visiting professor at the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Institute of Law, Politics and Development (DIRPOLIS) in Pisa from October 2013 until May 2014 and Associate Fellow at the Centre for Research in Ethnic Relations (CRER) of the University of Warwick for ten years until the CRER closed in September 2011. In 2001 I received a Marie Curie Individual Fellowship for the project "Living on the Edge: Irregular Migrants in Europe" and I was the principal investigator at the Centre for Research in Ethnic Relations of the University of Warwick (UK) for the research project "In Search for a New Europe: Contrasting Migratory Experiences" (2001-2005) in collaboration with the Centre of Migration Research of Warsaw University.

Finally, I was visiting scholar at the Mershon Center for Education, Ohio State University (1998) and worked for the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (1995-1996) in Milan as assistant to the Indian and Chinese delegates in screening development proposals and following up negotiations between parties. I combine research activities with routine lectures at post-graduate level in a number of universities and international institutions.

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### Academic Career

- *February 2008 – Present*: Senior Researcher, Faculty of Communication Sciences, University of Lugano (USI), Switzerland
  - *October 2013 – May 2014*: Visiting Professor, Institute of Law, Politics and Development (DIRPOLIS), Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Pisa, Italy
  - *April 2002 - September 2011*: Associate Fellow, Centre for Research in Ethnic Relations (CRER), University of Warwick, Coventry, United Kingdom
  - *July 1997 – April 2008*: Senior Research Fellow, ISMU Foundation - Initiatives and Studies on Multi-ethnicity, Milan, Italy
  - *January 2000 – April 2003*: PhD in Political Psychology (Rappresentazioni e Comportamenti Politici) at the Catholic University of Milan, Milan, Italy
  - *March 2001 – March 2002*: Marie Curie Fellow, Centre for Research in Ethnic Relations (CRER), University of Warwick, Coventry, United Kingdom
  - *January 1998 - August 1998*: Visiting Scholar, Mershon Center for Education, The Ohio State University, Columbus (OH), United States of America
  - *September 1995 - July 1996*: Junior Economist, UNIDO (United Nations Industrial Development Organisation), Milan, Italy
  - *March 1994 - July 1995*: Associate Fellow, ISPI (Institute for the Studies of International Politics) Milan, Italy
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## Academic Achievements

- **Publications:** More than 100 works published (in English, Italian and other languages including Russian). In detail: 3 co-edited books; 38 contributions to books; 2 special issues (edited); 19 articles (including 10 in peer-reviewed journals, 4 conference proceedings and 5 working papers); 14 research reports; and 25 miscellaneous papers.
- **Contributions at scientific conferences:** 92 different contributions (as lecturer, chair and discussant) to scientific conferences since August 1999 of which 66 invited presentations.
- **Reviewer Activities**
  - Expert for the European Science Foundation (ESF) College of Expert Reviewers (since 2017)
  - Expert for the Swiss Network for International Studies (since 2013-)
  - Expert for the Swiss National Science Foundation (2012-)
  - Expert for the Research Directorate General of the European Commission (2005-)
  - Expert/trainer for the Università della Valle d'Aosta/Université de la Vallée d'Aoste (2014)
  - Expert for the ch Foundation for Federal Cooperation (2013-14)
  - Expert for the Master of Advanced Studies in Intercultural Communication (MIC) at USI, Lugano (2008-2009)
  - International Migration – a referred journal published on behalf of the International Organization for Migration (2016-)
- **Editorials Boards**
  - Central and Eastern European Migration Review (CEEMR) published by the Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw (2013-)
  - Migration Letters - an International Journal of Migration Studies (2012-)
  - Ethnicity - a peer-reviewed journal established by the Institute of Philosophy and Sociology at the University of Latvia (2012-)
- **Memberships (academic)**
  - Collaborator, ECAP Foundation Research & Development Unit, Lugano, Switzerland (2014-2015)
  - Collaborator, Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Department of Linguistics and Comparative Cultural Studies, School of International Relations (2010-)
  - Collaborating Researcher, ICMPD, International Centre for Migration Policy Development, Vienna (2008)
- **Awards & honours**
  - December, 2015: granted for a period of three years from 4 January 2016 the title and status of Honorary Research Fellow at the Department of Social Sciences of the University of Roehampton, London, United Kingdom.
  - July 2014: granted the status of Associate Fellow at the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna – Institute of Law, Politics and Development (DIRPOLIS), Pisa, Italy.
  - February, 2010: granted by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Warwick the title and status of Associate Fellow in the Centre for Research in Ethnic Relations (CRER), School of Health and Social Studies for a period of two years from 1 April 2010 to 31 March 2012 (first granted on 1 April 2002 for a period of one year, then extended three times each year until 31 March 2006, further extended for three years until 31 March 2009 and for another year until 31 March 2010). The CRER closed on 30 September 2011.
- **Third Party Funding (achievements in external funding)**

Major donors for individual or collaborative research projects, networking, organization of conferences and visiting professorships include, among the others: **international organizations** like the European Commission (FP6, DG-Justice and Home Affairs, DG-Employment and Social Affairs, Lifelong Learning Programme, COST - European Cooperation in Science and Technology, European Social Fund, etc.), the Council of Europe, the International Labour Office (ILO), the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD); **national research organizations** like the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF); public and private **grant-makers** like the ISMU Foundation, the German Marshall Fund of the US, the British Council, the Barrow Cadbury Trust; **public universities** like the Ohio State University, the Catholic University of Milan, the University of Turin, the University of Trento and the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna in Pisa.
- **Research alliances (network)**
  - Member of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Standing Group on Immigration and Ethnicity (2016-)
  - Founding member of the Research Network on Transnational Memory & Identity within the Council for European Studies (CES), New York (2015-)
  - Senior Research Fellow in the Research Network on International Migration (RNIM) (2015-)
  - Member and then contributor to the IMISCOE Research Network (2005-)
  - Member of the European Research Network “Active Ageing of Migrant Elders across Europe” (2009)
  - Member of the Runnymede Research Associate Network, Runnymede Trust, London (2005)

## • Teaching

Lectureships and visiting professorships for graduate classes on international migration, migration and European integration include the following programmes:

- PhD seminar “Migration and Transnationalism: Theory, Research and Practices” within the programme in “Politics, human rights and sustainability” at the Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna – Institute of Law, Politics and Development (DIRPOLIS), Pisa, Italy (May 2014);
- Master in Intercultural Competencies at Faculty of Educational Sciences, Catholic University of Milan, Italy (2014);
- BA Course at the Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna – Institute of Law, Politics and Development (DIRPOLIS), Pisa, Italy (February –March 2014),
- Master in European Studies of the Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Eichstätt, Germany;
- Integrated Graduate Program in International Studies and Transnational Governance (ISTG) at the Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna – Institute of Law, Politics and Development (DIRPOLIS), Pisa, Italy (November 2014; October-November 2013);
- Master in Studies on Islam in Europe (Master in Studi sull’Islam d’Europa) at the Department of Philosophy, Sociology, Education and Applied Psychology (FISPPA), University of Padova, Padova, Italy (2013);
- Erasmus Mundus Joint European Master in International Migration and Social Cohesion (MISOCO), Focus: Regional Minorities and Social Cohesion, Course “Immigration, Integration and Identity”, Unit “Migration and European Integration” at the University of Latvia, Riga, Latvia (2012);
- Master’s Program in Intercultural Competencies, Module 3: Political and Economic Structures, Unit “Migration and European Integration” at the Donau-Universität Krems, Krems, Austria (2010-11-12-13);
- Course “International Organization and the Governance of Migration” at Franklyn University Switzerland, Lugano, Switzerland (2011);
- Seminar on migration policy at the New Bulgarian University (NBU) of Sofia (2009);
- MA in International Migration at University of Milano – Bicocca (2007-08);
- MA in European Studies at the Centre for European and Transition Studies, University of Latvia (2007);
- Euromasters, MA in Contemporary European Studies: Politics, Policy and Society - including the supervision of final dissertations - at the University of Bath/University of Siena (2005-06);
- Postgraduate programmes supported by international institutions as the United Nations Interregional Crime & Justice Research Institute (UNICRI) (2003-04) in Turin; Eurostat (2000) in Siena; European Social Fund (2004-06) and the Institute for European Studies (IES) (2004-05) in Milan, Italy.

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## Additional Qualification

- Supervision of postgraduate works in migration studies.
- Evaluation of research projects on migration.
- Referee for prospective international publications on migration.

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## Selected Publications

- (2017) *Migration and Transnationalism Between Switzerland and Bulgaria*, (1st 2017 edition, hardcover: August 2, 2016) New York: Springer (co-editors: M. Richter, D. Mihailov, V. Mintchev, M. Nollert) (ISBN: 978-3-319-31944-5)
- (2014b) A Decade of EU Enlargement: A Changing Framework and Patterns of Migration, *Central and Eastern European Migration Review*, Special Issue, Vol. 3, No. 2, December 2014 (co-editor: J. Eade) (ISSN: 2300 - 1682)
- (2014a) “Multicultural Models”, in M. Martiniello, J. Rath (Eds) *An Introduction to Immigrant Incorporation Studies: European Perspectives*, IMISCOE Textbook Series, Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press, pp. 71-89 (co-author: J. Eade) (ISBN 978 90 8964 4)
- (2011) “Conceptualising Transnationalism: East-West Migration Patterns in Europe”, in C. Allemann Ghionda, W.D. Bukow (Eds) *Orte der Diversität: Formate, Arrangements und Inszenierungen*, Wiesbaden: VS Verlag, pp. 115-127 (ISBN: 978-3-531-17499-0)
- (2010a) South-Eastern Europe and the European Migration System. East-West Mobility in Flux, *The Romanian Journal of European Studies*, Special Issue on Migration and Mobility, No.7-8/2009, Timișoara: West University of Timișoara (guest editor) (ISSN 1583 – 199X)
- (2009b) *Prostitution and Human Trafficking: Focus on Clients*, New York: Springer (co-editors: A. Di Nicola, A. Cauduro, M. Lombardi) (ISBN: 978-0-387-73628-0)
- (2004) *Migration in the New Europe: East-West Revisited*, Basingstoke: Palgrave-Macmillan (co-editor: A. Górný) (ISBN: 1-4039-3550-5)