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**Education**

• 2005-2008 PhD in Development Economics, Dept. of Economics, University of Florence, Italy, with the dissertation "*On the move - Livelihood Strategies and Income Diversification in Rural Northern Ghana*", supervised by prof. D. Romano, Dept. of Agriculture and Resource Economics.

• 2004 Master degree in Immigration, Asylum and Citizenship, University of Palermo, Italy.

• 2003 Degree in Political Science (with a major in Economics), University of Florence, Italy.

**Current position**

• Post-doc Researcher, CERDI.

**Previous position**

• 2009-2010 Jean Monnet post-doctoral fellow, European University Institute, San Domenico di Fiesole, Italy.

**Main publications**

• (2012), "Return Migration and the survival of entrepreneurial activities in Egypt", *World Development*, forthcoming.

• (2011) "The impact of migration on labour markets in Arab Mediterranean Countries", *Middle East Development Journal*, forthcoming.

• (2012) "Bringing It All Back Home. Return Migration and fertility choices", *CERDI Working Papers* 2012/01 (with S. Bertoli), submitted.

• (2011) "On the Move. Livelihood Strategies in Northern Ghana", *CERDI Working Papers* 2011/13, submitted.

• (2011) "Human development and clusters of Small and Medium Enterprises" (in Italian), in M. Biggeri and G. Canitano (eds.), *Advanced Topics in Development Aid*, Franco Angeli, Milan, with M. Bellandi and M. Biggeri.

• (2011), "Migration, Remittances and Aid" (in Italian), in M. Biggeri and G. Canitano (eds.), *Advanced Topics in Development Aid*, Franco Angeli, Milan, with S. Bertoli.

• (2010) *Achieving income security in old age for all Tanzanians: a study into the feasibility of a universal social pension*, Ministry of Labour, Employment and Youth Development in collaboration with HelpAge International Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, with D. Smart, S. Barrett, A. McPherson, C. Knox, L. Newson, W. Osofisan.

• (2009) "Poverty targeting. New evidence on spatial and distributional impacts", *Frontiers of Social Protection Brief N.2*, Regional Hunger and Vulnerability Programme, Johannesburg, with F. Ellis.

**Major Fields in economics**

• Development Economics, Microeconomics, International Migration.

**Consulting**

• Consultant for *Help Age International*, *IRPET (Regional Institute for Economic Programming in Tuscany)*