Eliana Baici

BIO AND EDUCATION

After graduating in Economics from the Catholic University of Milan with the highest marks, she continued her studies at Oxford University (UK), earning a Master of Philosophy in Economics with a thesis on wage dynamics. His research focuses on Labour Economics, and in particular on the Economics of Education and the role of human and social capital in Local Development, and, more recently, on the agri-food system .

She collaborates with some research centers (Institute for Social Research in Milan, IRES Lombardia, International Labour Office Geneve) and public and private institutions (Municipality, Province and Chamber of Commerce of Novara; Intermodal Center Goods). She was member of the Board of Directors of Banca Popolare Novara, today Banco Popolare, and today she is president of the local Committee; she is also president of the independent assessment body of the University Hospital of Novara).

She carries out voluntary activities and recently, as a member of the board of directors of the San Gaudenzio Onlus Foundation, she follows microcredit projects.

UNIVERSITY CAREER

2001 - oggi	Full Professor of Political Economy, Università del Piemonte Orientale
1996 - 2001	Associate Professor of Political Economy, Università del Piemonte Orientale
1992 - 1996	Associate Professor of Political Economy, Università degli Studi di Parma
1984 - 1992	Assistant Professor of Economics, Università Cattolica di Milano
1981 - 1984	Teaching assistant of Economics, Università Cattolica di Milano

UNIVERSITY POSITIONS

2012 - oggi	Dean, Dipartimento di Studi per l'Economia e l'Impresa, Università del
	Piemonte Orientale
2012 - oggi	Member of the Senate, Università del Piemonte Orientale
2015 - oggi	Director of the Interdepartmental Center FoodLink, Università del Piemonte
	Orientale
2013 - 2015	Institutional Coordinator for Università del Piemonte Orientale under the
	TECO project of Anvur
2012 - 2013	Institutional Coordinator for Università del Piemonte Orientale under the
	AHELO project of OECD
2012 - 2014	Member of the Board of the Italian Conference of Academic Deans of
	Economics and Statistics Departments
2009 - 2011	Dean of the Economics Faculty, Università del Piemonte Orientale
2009 - 2011	Member of the Senate, Università del Piemonte Orientale
2009 - 2010	Director of the Master in Management for the development and promotion
	of agro-food and healthy food, Università del Piemonte Orientale
2003 - 2011	Co-director of the Master in Economics and Management of Financial
	Intermediation, Università del Piemonte Orientale

2005 - 2009	Vice Dean of the Economics Faculty, Università del Piemonte Orientale
2001 - 2005	Vice Dean of Economics and Statistics Department, Università del Piemonte
	Orientale

SCIENTIFIC POSITIONS

1992 - oggi	Member of the Italian Economic Association
1981 - oggi	Member of the Italian Association of Labour Economists
1996 - oggi	Member of the Editorial Board of Rivista Internazionale di Scienze Sociali

MAIN FIELDS OF INTEREST

- 1. The university system
- 2. Human capital and social capital
- 3. The labour market
- 4. The wage dynamics
- 5. Local development
- 6. The agri-food system

CURRENT ISSUES OF RESEARCH

1. The university system

The Italian university is characterized by some inefficiencies, including the high drop-out rates and the phenomenon of delayed graduation, that the international literature has analyzed, by making available to scholars a lot of different models. Those models reach only part of the intended purpose, since they take a partial account of the institutional context, which exerts a decisive impact on both phenomena. With this analysis, we intend to enrich the theoretical debate, but also suggest to the policy maker some interventions to reduce the enormous cost sustained by individuals, families and the university system as a whole.

2. The agri-food system

The agri-food sector is one of the Italian excellence. In many cases, however, and a good example is the production of rice, does not obtain an adequate appreciation by the market, because there are no initiatives to quality definition, as well as the development of protocols aimed at protecting and analytically tracing the provenance of food. This project, in a multidisciplinary logic, aims to fill this gap, involving all partners - from the field to the consumer - in close contact with the bodies responsible for protection of quality agricultural products in Piedmont.

TOP FIVE PAPERS

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- 2. Baici E., Samek Lodovici M. (2001), *La disoccupazione italiana. Diagnosi e possibili strategie per il governo del mercato del lavoro*, Carrocci editore, Roma
- 3. Baici E., Casalone G. (2008), Capitale umano, capitale sociale e crescita: una prospettiva regionale, *Scienze Regionali Italian Journal of Regional Science*, Vol. 7- n.1
- 4. Aina C., Baici E., Casalone G. (2011), "Time-to-Degree: Students' Abilities, University Characteristics or What Else? Evidence from Italy", *Education Economics*, 19, 3, pp. 311-25
- 5. Aina C., Baici E. (2012), To stay or to move? Freshmen and University Accessibility in Italy, *Rivista Internazionale di Scienze Sociali*, n. 1, pp. 25-44