

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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POSITION Associate Professor on forest policy and governance.

WORK EXPERIENCE

December 2014-today Associate Professor

Department of Territorio e Sistemi Agro-Forestali (TESAF), University of Padua, Italy

Research tasks: Designing, developing, implementing and disseminating results of research projects at international, national and local levels.

Participation to international research projects (e.g. Horizon2020; ALTERFOR project, INTEGRAL, StarTREE) and COST Actions (e.g. ORCHESTRA, NWFP, EUMIXFOR, CAPABAL), collaborating with international research and policy organisations such as, for example EFI/EFIMED (e.g. on AGORA project) and FAO (e.g. on forest policy reforms and governance).

November 2015-October 2020, scientific responsible at TESAF for the Horizon2020 4-years project SIMRA – Social Innovation in Marginalized Rural Areas (WP4: Methods to assess social innovation and its impacts and to analyse policy influence on social innovation).

Since November 2019, scientific responsible at TESAF for the 2-years research project VAIA FRONT, Deputy coordinator of IUFRO Unit 09.05.03 on Cross-sectoral policy impacts on forests and environment.

Principal supervisor and/or co-supervisor of PhD thesis (3 ongoing), within the Doctoral School LERH (Land, Environment, Resources and Health) at TESAF Dept., and within the International PhD Programme on Forest and Nature for Society (FONASO).

Member of the Council of the Doctoral School LERH.

From September 2020-ongoing, Deputy-Coordinator of the Doctoral School LERH at TESAF Dept. Peer reviewer for several international and national scientific journals such as Forest Policy and Economics, Land Use Policy, Environmental Science and Policy, iForest, Scandinavian Journal of Forest Research, Sustainability, The Journal of Social Entrepreneurs and others.

From May 2022, member of the Editorial Board of the international peer reviewed Journal *Conservation Letters* (John Wiley & Sons inc.); invited to join the Editorial Board of the international peer reviewed Journal *Forest Policy and Economics* (Elsevier).

From November 2019-ongoing, member of the Commission of the TESAF Department for Departmental Strategic Research Planning.

From October 2020-ongoing, member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the CTFC (Catalunya, Spain).

Teaching tasks: Currently teaching in various courses at post-grade level, MSc level (“Forest policy, governance and conflict management: from global to local” in the ERASMUS MUNDUS MSc Program on Sustainable Tropical Forestry – SUTROFOR and on Mediterranean Forestry and Nature Resources Management - MEDfOR; ‘Local Development with Environmental and Social Responsibility in the international MSc on Local Development at the University of Padua. Also teaching in Doctoral School at TESAF Department (Research project development).

Coordinating and teaching e-learning courses at MSc level (joint module on ‘Climate change and forest: monitoring and policies’ in the ERASMUS MUNDUS MSc programs on Sustainable Tropical Forestry – SUTROFOR and Sustainable Forest and Nature Management – SUFONAMA; module on ‘Research and project development methodology’ in the ERASMUS MUNDUS MSc program on Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management – MEDfOR). Supervisor of about 3 MSc thesis/academic year and 1-2 PhD thesis/year.

From November 2015 to November 2019, member of the Didactic Commission of the Master international course in Forest Science at the University of Padova (responsible for the Curriculum

“Responsible Production of Forest goods and Services”).

Technology transfer tasks: co-founder of and scientific supervisor in the spin-off of the University of Padova, Etifor srl (founded in 2011, www.etifor.com); invited speaker at several public events organized by Local Action Groups (LAGs) and other public authorities (e.g. Municipality, Regional agencies, secondary/high Schools) and private organizations (e.g. cooperatives, associations) on various topics: rural development, forest policy and governance, forest certification, participatory approaches, ecosystem services, etc.; Lead Educator in the Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC) on “Social Innovation in Rural Areas” delivered on the FutureLearn platform, 1st edition: 3 weeks, from 30 March 2020 to 17 April 2020.

Business or sector Main fields of competence: forest and natural resources governance; governance and social capital interlinks; social innovation in rural areas; forest policy analysis; EU rural development policy analysis; rural development cooperation; environmental and social responsibility applied to forestry, international trade of wood and non wood forest products; market and marketing strategies; payments for environmental services; public participation and stakeholders consultation; conflict management; sustainable forest management standards.

December 2005–November 2014

Full-time researcher

Department Territorio e Sistemi Agro-Forestali (TESAF), University of Padua, Italy

Designing, developing, implementing and disseminating results of research projects at international, national and local levels. Scientific responsibility of some national projects and local projects (e.g. on: Payment for environmental services in protected areas in Veneto Region; forest biomasses production and trade in Italy and Argentina; etc.). Participation to international research projects (e.g. projects under both the 6th and 7th European FPs such as SCORE, NEWFOREX, INTEGRAL, AGORA,...) and COST Actions (e.g. ORCHESTRA, NWFP, EUMIXFOR). Deputy coordinator of IUFRO Unit 09.05.03 on Cross-sectoral policy impacts on forests and environment. Supervisor of 9 PhD thesis, within the Doctoral School TARS (now LERH) – Dept. TESAF and of the International PhD Programme on Forest and Nature for Society (FONASO). Peer reviewer for several international and national scientific journals such as Forest Policy and Economics, Land Use Policy, Environmental Science and Policy, Urban Forestry and Urban Greening, iForest and others.

Business or sector Main field of competences: forest and natural resources governance; forest policy analysis; EU rural development policy; rural development cooperation; environmental and social responsibility applied to forestry, international trade of wood and non wood forest products; market and marketing strategies; payments for environmental services; public participation and stakeholders consultation; sustainable forest management standards; forest and environmental certification.

From 2003–November 2014

Lecturer/aggregated professor

Faculty of Agriculture/TESAF Department – University of Padua, Italy

Teaching in various courses at post-graduate level, MSc level (‘Societal marketing in forestry: forest certification and other tools’ in the ERASMUS MUNDUS MSc Program on Sustainable Tropical Forestry – SUTROFOR, since 2006; ‘Local Development with Environmental and Social Responsibility in the international MSc on Local Development at the University of Padua, since 2010; BSc level (‘Sustainable Forest Management and Rural Development Cooperation Policies’ 2003–2012; ‘Economic Evaluation and Project Planning’, 2008–2010) and others.

Coordinating and teaching e-learning courses at MSc level (‘Climate change and forest: monitoring and policies’ in the ERASMUS MUNDUS MSc Program on Sustainable Tropical Forestry – SUTROFOR, since 2010 and ‘Research and project development methodology’ in the ERASMUS MUNDUS MSc program on Mediterranean Forestry – MEDfOR, since 2012).

In March 2008, lecturer on ‘Social and Environmental Responsibility and Participatory Approaches in Natural Resources Management’ course in the Post degree course on International cooperation and environmental and social responsibilities in rural areas in developing countries, jointly organized by the University of Padua Italy and Universidad Catolica del Maule (Talca, Chile).

Supervisor of more than 5 post-degree thesis, 22 MSc thesis and 21 BSc thesis students.

Business or sector Main fields of teaching: societal marketing instruments; economic evaluation of agricultural and forest projects in Developing Countries and Countries in Transition, sustainable forest management and international timber trade, climate change and forestry, forest policy, forest governance analysis.

March 2004–October 2005

External consultant

Modulo Uno s.r.l. - Via Courgnè, 21 - Torino, Italy

Preliminary study on potentialities and challenges in establishing and managing an EMAS system (EU regulation) applied to the private-public authority of GAL Alto Bellunese, Dolomites – Veneto Region, Italy.

Business or sector Consultant Agency on Environmental Management Systems certification, environmental studies. Private sector.

January 2000 – November 2001

External consultant

Certiquality, Milano, Italy and ICILA, Lissone (MI), Italy

Auditor for Environmental Management System certification according to ISO 14001 and FSC standards in forest-wood sector; coordinator and responsible for the accreditation of Certiquality under the FSC rules, external reviewer of ICILA's FSC Accredited Certification System.

Business or sector Certification Bodies accredited by SINCERT and FSC for certification services according to various standards, private sector.

February 1999 – October 2005

External consultant

Department TESAF, University of Padua, Italy

Research and teaching activities on various topics: environmental certification schemes applied to forests and wood and paper industries; standards for Sustainable Forest Management; forest products market and trade (such as 1998-2000: End-use and substitution process in the EU wood products market (EC Concerted Action - FAIR Programme). Coordinator: prof. Cooper; forest and environmental policies; rural development; mountain areas.

Business or sector Research activities, public sector.

January 1999 – October 2005

National Contact Person/Secretary

FSC-Italy (the Forest Stewardship Council National Initiative in Italy)

To spread information on forest management and chain-of-custody certification according to FSC rules in Italy to all stakeholders (with special attention to forest managers and wood/paper processing industries), to develop and manage the National Working Group, to develop and to approve the SFM standards for Italian Alpine regions, to maintain contacts with other forest certification schemes (e.g. PEFC-Italy)

Business or sector - Networking, building and developing the national initiative of the international NGO Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) for forest and chain-of-custody certification .

January 2000 –December 2001

External consultant

Comunità Montana Cadore-Longarone-Zoldano Piazza I Novembre, Longarone (BL), Italy

Coordinator of the project on sustainable forest management and certification for forests managers, wood processing industries and timber traders – GAL Alto Bellunese, LEADER II project funded by the European Commission.

Business or sector - Local public authority; association of mountain municipalities; management of mountain areas and related resources.

January 1998 –December 1998

Researcher

European Forest Institute - Joensuu, Finland

Direct surveys in Guyana and Suriname on forest and timber certification and preliminary activity to create the CIS (Certification Information System) for African-Caribbean-Pacific Countries.

Business or sector - International research institute on forest sector.

June1995 –June 1996

Environmental expert

SWS Engeneering srl – Padova

Coordinator and supervisor on Environmental Impact Assessments and Environmental Studies; projects for environmental requalification of infrastructures.

Business or sector - Private company; engeneering studies, projects and plans.



EDUCATION AND TRAINING

February 2018 **Teaching4Learning@Unipd (T4L)**
University of Padova – Teaching4Learning@Unipd project
5 days workshop on innovation in teaching: use of participatory teaching techniques, use of new technologies in teaching, increasing relationships building with students.

February-March 2011 **E-moderator**
IT Learning Center - The Faculty of Life Sciences Library, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

- Techniques for designing, running and moderating e-learning courses.

June 2000 **External auditor for QMS according to ISO 9000 standards**
Certiquality, Italy - Private certification body accredited by SINCERT for certification services according to ISO 9000 standards and several other standards.

- Auditing and reporting on Quality Management Systems according to ISO 9000/Vision 2000.

June 1996 – February 1999 **PhD**
Doctoral School on Management Engineering and Real Estate Appraisal - University of Padua, Italy.

- How to design, develop and publish scientific research. Fields of competences: Land Use Change and Economics, Land/Rural Appraisal, Natural Resources Economics.
- PhD thesis topic: "Forest certification as a marketing tool for developing mountainous areas in Italy: potentials and challenges".
- From June to October 1997, she got a scholarship at EFI (European Forest Institute), Joensuu – Finland on forest certification issues.

November 1998 **Internal auditor for EMS according to ISO 14001/EMAS standards**
Certiquality, Italy - Private certification body accredited by SINCERT for certification services according to ISO 14001 and EMAS standards and several other standards.

- Auditing and reporting on Environmental Management Systems according to ISO 14001 and EMAS standards .

October 1988-December 1994 **MSc in Forestry Sciences (5 years degree)**
Faculty of Agriculture – University of Padova, Italy

- Scientific basic knowledge, technical and professional skills on forestry (forest management, forest planning, forest and rural economy, timber trade, policies and laws, logging operations, water catchments management, forest infrastructures, etc.). Final mark: 110/110 with honour.

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue Italian

Other language

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	B2	C1	B2	B2	C1
French	A2	B1	A1	--	---
Spanish	A2	A2	---	---	---

Communication skills

Very good communication skills gained through my experience as teacher/lecturer and speaker in international and national conferences, seminars, working groups. Good networking/communication skills acquired through my experience as national contact person/national secretary for the creation of the national initiative of an international NG as well as through my experiences as Italian representative of the International Forestry Student Association while enrolled in forestry MSc course.

Organisational / managerial skills

Coordination and co-leadership (currently co-ordinating and co-leading a team of about 15 people) Scientific coordination of research projects (scientific responsible of some national and international projects)

Job-related skills

Very good experience of doing research (designing, developing and implementing international, national and local research projects - directly or through PhD thesis supervising).

Computer skills

Good command of Microsoft Office™ tools and Moodle platform for e-learning courses.

Other skills

Drawing and painting (personal skill), Qualified Guide of Forest Bathing (Forest Therapy Institute, Forest Therapy Hub)

Driving licence

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Sports

Climbing, trekking, cross-country ski, downhill ski, alpine ski.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Publications

More than 130 among scientific and technical papers published (h-index in Scopus: 13). Hereafter some examples are reported; for the full list search by author's name in <https://www.research.unipd.it/>

- Wolfslehner, Bernhard; Pülzl, Helga; Kleinschmit, Daniela; Aggestam, Filip; Winkel, Georg; Candel, Jeroen; Eckerberg, Katarina; Feindt, Peter; McDermott, Constance; SECCO, LAURA; Sotirov, Metod; Lackner, Magdalena; Roux, Jeanne-Lazya (2020). European forest governance post-2020. European Forest Institute, Joensuu.
- Pisani, E.; Andriollo, E.; Masiero, M.; Secco, L. (2020), Volume 10. Intermediary Organisations in Collaborative Environmental Governance: evidence of the EU-funded LIFE Sub-Programme for the Environment (LIFE-ENV). HELIYON, Cell Press, Vol. 4: e04251
- Torre, C. D.; Ravazzoli, E.; Dijkshoorn-Dekker, M.; Polman, N.; Melnykovich, M.; Pisani, E.; Gori, F.; Da Re, R.; Vicentini, K.; Secco, L. (2020). The role of agency in the emergence and development of social innovations in rural areas. Analysis of two cases of social farming in Italy and the Netherlands, SUSTAINABILITY, MDPI AG, 12(11): 4440.
- Secco, L., Pisani, E., Da Re, R., Rogelja, T., Burlando, C., Vicentini, K., Pettenella, D., Masiero, M., Miller, D., Nijnjk, M. (2019). Towards a method of evaluating social innovation in forest-dependent rural communities: First suggestions from a science-stakeholder collaboration, Forest Policy and Economics, 104: 9-22.
- Balest, J., Secco, L., Pisani, E., Garegnani, G. (2019). Municipal transitions: The social, energy and spatial dynamics of sociotechnical change in South Tyrol, Italy. Energy Research and Social Science, 54: 211-223.
- Maria Nijnjk, Laura Secco, David Miller, Mariana Melnykovich, 2019. Can social innovation make a difference to forest-dependent communities? FOREST POLICY AND ECONOMICS, Volume 100, Pages 207-213.
- Rogelja, T., Ludvig, A., Weiss, G., Secco, L. (2018). Implications of policy framework conditions for the development of forestry-based social innovation initiatives in Slovenia. FOREST POLICY AND ECONOMICS, vol. 95, p. 147-155.
- Secco, L., Paletto A., Romano R., Masiero M., Pettenella D., Carbone F., De Meo (2018). Orchestrating Forest Policy in Italy: Mission Impossible?. FORESTS, vol. 9, 468,
- Kleinschmit, D., Pülzl, H., Secco, L., Sergent, A., Wallin, I. (2018). Orchestration in political processes: Involvement of experts, citizens, and participatory professionals in forest policy making, Forest Policy and Economics, 89: 4-15
- Liubachyna, A., Secco, L., Pettenella, D. Reporting practices of State Forest Enterprises in Europe (2017) FOREST POLICY AND ECONOMICS, 78: 162-172.
- Secco, L., Favero, M., Masiero, M., Pettenella, D. (2017). Failures of political decentralization in promoting network governance in the forest sector: Observations from Italy. LAND USE POLICY, 62: 79-100.
- Gorriç-Mifsud, E., Secco, L., Da Re, R., Pisani, E., Bonet, J.A. (2017). Structural social capital and local-level forest governance: Do they inter-relate? A mushroom permit case in Catalonia, JOURNAL OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT, 188: 364-378.
- Górriz-Mifsud, E.E.; Secco, L.; Pisani, E. (2016). Exploring the interlinkages between governance and social capital: A dynamic model for forestry. DOI:10.1016/j.forpol.2016.01.006. pp.25-36. In FOREST POLICY AND ECONOMICS - ISSN:1389-9341 vol. 65
- Macura, B.; Secco, L.; Pisani, E.; Pullin, A.S.; Reyes-Garcia, V. (2016). All that glitters is not gold: the effect of

- top-down participation on conservation knowledge, attitudes and institutional trust in a Central Indian tiger reserve. DOI:doi:10.1007/s10113-016-0978-3. pp.1-16. In REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE - ISSN:1436-3798
- Masiero, M.; Pettenella, D; Secco, L. (2016) From failure to value: Economic valuation for a selected set of products and services from Mediterranean forests. DOI:10.5424/fs/2016251-08160. In FOREST SYSTEMS - ISSN:2171-5068 vol. 25 (1).
 - Kumar, R.S., Secco, L., Pettenella, D. (2016). Specificities of urban forest governance and development of criteria and indicators for assessing its quality. Proceedings of the XVI World Forestry Congress, Durban – South Africa, 7-11 September 2015.
 - Macura, B.; Secco, L. Pullin, A.S . (2015). What evidence exists on the impact of governance type on the conservation effectiveness of forest protected areas? Knowledge base and evidence gaps. DOI:10.1186/s13750-015-0051-6. In ENVIRONMENTAL EVIDENCE - ISSN:2047-2382 vol. 4 (1).
 - Masiero, M.; Secco L.; Pettenella D.; Brotto L. (2015). Standards and guidelines for forest plantation management: A global comparative study.. DOI:10.1016/j.forpol.2014.12.008. pp.29-44. In FOREST POLICY AND ECONOMICS - ISSN:1389-9341 vol. 53 (0)
 - Gatto P., Vidale E., Secco L., Pettenella D. (2014). Exploring the willingness to pay for forest ecosystem services by residents of the Veneto Region. BIO-BASED AND APPLIED ECONOMICS, vol. 1, p. 21-43, ISSN: 2280-6180, doi: 10.13128/BAE-11151
 - Szulecka J., Secco L. (2014). Local institutions, social capital and their role in forest plantation governance: lessons from two case studies of smallholder plantations in Paraguay. INTERNATIONAL FORESTRY REVIEW, vol. 16, p. 180-190, ISSN: 1465-5489
 - Szulecka J., Pretzsch J., Secco L. (2014). Paradigms in tropical forest plantations: a critical reflection on historical shifts in plantation approaches. INTERNATIONAL FORESTRY REVIEW, vol. 16, p. 128-143, ISSN: 1465-5489
 - Asmamaw Alemu Abteu, Jürgen Pretzsch, Laura Secco, Tarig Elshikh Mohamad (2014). Contribution of Small-Scale Gum and Resin Commercialization to Local Livelihood and Rural Economic Development in the Drylands of Eastern Africa.. FORESTS, vol. 5, p. 952-977, ISSN: 1999-4907, doi: 10.3390/f5050952
 - Biljana Macura, Laura Secco, Andrew S. Pullin (2013). Does the effectiveness of forest protected areas differ conditionally on their type of governance? ENVIRONMENTAL EVIDENCE, vol. 2, ISSN: 2047-2382, doi: 10.1186/2047-2382-2-14
 - Secco, L., Da Re, R., Pettenella, D., Gatto, P. (2014). Why and how to Measure Forest Governance at Local Level: A Set of Indicators. FOREST POLICY AND ECONOMICS – Special issue on Forest Governance., 49: 57-71.
 - Birolo, L., Secco, L., Da Re, R., Cesaro, L. (2012) . Multi-system governance within the EU policy for rural development: a proposal for LAGs self-evaluation in the LEADER program. International Agricultural Policy, 4: 39-56.
 - Secco, L., Da Re, R., Gatto, P., Taku Tassa, D. (2011). How to Measure Governance in Forestry: Key Dimensions and Indicators from Emerging Economic Mechanisms. ALLGEMEINE FORST- UND JAGDZEITUNG, 182: 69:82
 - Secco, L., Pettenella, D., Gatto, P. (2011). Forestry Governance and Collaborative Learning Processes in Italy: Likelihood or Utopia?. FOREST POLICY AND ECONOMICS, 13: 104-112
 - Gatto, P., Pettenella, D., Secco, L. (2009). Payments for Forest Environmental Services: organisational models and related experiences in Italy. IFOREST; p. 133-139, ISSN: 1971-7458
 - Secco, L., Pettenella, D., Maso, D. (2009). 'Net-System' Models Versus Traditional Models in NWFP Marketing: The Case of Mushrooms. SMALL SCALE FORESTRY, 8: 349-365
 - Pettenella, D., Secco, L., Maso, D. (2007). NWFP&S Marketing: Lessons Learned and New Development Paths from Case Studies in Some European Countries. SMALL SCALE FORESTRY, 6 (4): 373-390

Projects

- 2020-2023: Green4Care Erasmus Key Alliance (KA) (3 years) (education, alliance, networking) on green care in forests, urban green areas, green tourism and social farming.
- 2019-2021: VAIA-FRONT. Learning for the wind storm Vaia: resilience of local communities and governance adjustments. Responsible for WP3 on policy and governance issues. Funds: Dept. TESAF (2 years).
- 2018: Proposte di valorizzazione degli ecosistemi e degli ambienti naturali e rurali dell'Area Interna Contratto di Foce Delta del Po – Prima fase – Consorzio di Bonifica Delta del Po (Rovigo) (scientific responsible) (4 months)
- 2017-2018: PerForm – Perceiving the Forest-based Sector in the Bioeconomy (EFI Network Funds 2017) (scientific responsible) (one year)
- 2016-2020: SIMRA – Social Innovation in Marginalized Rural Areas (EC Horizon 2020) (scientific responsible) (4 years)
- 2016-2020: ALTERFOR – Alternative Models and Robust Decision-making for future Forest Management (EC Horizon 2020)
- 2012-2016: STAR TREE - Multipurpose trees and non-wood forest products a challenge and opportunity (EC 7th FP)
- 2011-2013: SUFAREL - Qualification framework for sustainable forestry and lifelong learning (EC Tempus)
- 2011-2014: INTEGRAL - Future-oriented integrated management of European forest landscapes (EC 7th FP)
- 2011-2012: Payments for Environmental Services from Forests in Protected Areas of Veneto Region, Italy (scientific responsibility)
- 2010-2012: SCORE - Role of criminality in forest/wood sector (JLS/2009/ISEC/AG/101)
- 2009-2011: "Valorizzazione energetica di residui e sottoprodotti della filiera agro-alimentare e forestale in Italia e Argentina" (CUJA) (scientific responsibility and coordination of the working group on forest biomasses)
- 2009-2013: New Ways to Value and Market Forest Externalities (NEWFOREX) (EC 7th FP)
- 2009-2010: Advancing Mediterranean Forest research Capacities (AGORA) (EC 7th FP)
- 2008: Deforestation and forest degradation processes: Responsibilities and Initiatives in Italy. APAT, Rome.

- 2007: *Instruments and methods for forestry workers qualification in Piedmonte Region, Italy.*
- 2006-2008: COST Action E51- *Integrating Innovation and Development Policies for the Forest Sector.*
- 2006-2007: *EU Rural Development Programme 2007 – 2013. Regional Strategy and assessment of the forest-related Measures and Actions for Veneto Region.*
- 2005-2006: *Forest certification in Bosnia and Herzegovina: pilot project in the forest management area Kupreško (Lombardia Region - ERSAF).*
- 2006: RECOFORME (Structuration de Réseaux Et d'actions de COopération sur la FORêt Méditerranéenne). *Economic evaluation methodologies and public reporting procedures on sustainable management of Mediterranean forests to protect water resources. An application in Trasimeno Lake area. Umbria Region.*
- 2005-2006: *Review of the Italian Timber Market – With Focus on Tropical Timber* (ITTO research under the coordination of the School of Industrial Engineering, Växjö, Sweden)
- 2005: *Research on forests and wood industries in Padova Province, Veneto Region to improve the market for beech wood.* CNA Provincia di Padova, PSTG Galileo, Camera di Commercio Padova, Dip. TeSAF.
- 2003 – 2006: RI.SELV.ITALIA - 4.2 *Sistema informativo geografico per la gestione forestale – Criteri e indicatori di buona gestione forestale su scala locale.* National research project for the development of innovative forest management planning methodologies and the integration of Criteria and Indicators of SFM and participatory approaches in forest management planning. Ministry of Agriculture and Forest Policies.
- 2003 – 2005: *Implementation of the Forest Stewardship Council rules and procedures to the forestry system of Monti Simbruini area – Abruzzo, Italy.* National Institute for the Technological and Scientific Research on Mountain (INRM), Roma and *Consorzio Forestale Monti Simbruini* (Forest Owners Association of Monti Simbruini).
- 2001-2002: *Country case study on cross-sectoral linkages in mountain forest development.* Cross-sectoral policy impacts between forestry and others sectors (FAO – Forestry Department).
- 2001-2002: *Instruments to enhance the value of products and services deriving from forests and grasslands management in Alpine mountains.* National Institute for the Technological and Scientific Research on Mountain (INRM), Roma – and A. Colleselli Foundation "Mountains and Europe", Belluno, Italy.
- 1998-2000: *End-use and substitution process in the EU wood products market* (EC Concerted Action - FAIR Programme). Coordinator: prof. Cooper.
- 1998: *Certification Information Service* (CIS) – Forest certification in Europe and ACP Countries. European Forest Institute (EFI), Joensuu, Finland.

Conferences, congresses and other events (examples)

- AIEAA 2018 – AIEAA – Conegliano (TV), 14-15 June 2018: member of the Local Organiser Committee, University of Padova
- AIEAA 2018 – AIEAA – Conegliano (TV), 14-15 June 2018 - Organized session 195: Social Innovation in Marginalized Rural Areas (SIMRA): co-organizer of the session with Elena Pisani (University of Padova, Italy), David Miller and Maria Ninijk (The James Hutton Institute, UK)
- AgriResearch Conference 2018 – European Commission - Brussels, 2-3 May 2018 – Innovating for the future of farming and rural communities: Invited speaker at the session "Attractive, smart and resilient rural communities", title of the oral presentation: "Advancing the state of the art in evaluating social innovation (SIMRA)"

Memberships

- ETIFOR (spin-off of the University of Padova: www.etifor.com)
- Italian Association of Agricultural Economists (SIDEA)
- Italian Association of Agriculture and Applied Economy (AIEAA)
- Qualified Guide of Forest Bathing, Forest Therapy Institute and Forest Therapy Hub (FTHub)
- National Working Group on 'Governance and collaborative management of natural resources in Italy' within the IUCN/Commission on Environmental, Economic and Social Policy (CEESP)/Collaborative Management of Natural Resources (CMWG)
- Deputy Coordinator of IUFRO Unit 9.05.03 – Cross-sectoral policy impacts on forests and environment (International Union of Forest Research Organizations, Division 9 - Forest Policy and Economics)
- Member of the Scientific Committee of the 'Scienze Forestali e Ambientali' Issues, published by Compagnia delle Foreste (a national editor).
- Forest Stewardship Council – Italy (Social Chamber, individual member)
- Agronomi e Forestali Senza Frontiere - Italy
- International Forestry Students Association (alumni)

Your sincerely
Padova, 17.05.2022

