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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of birth: 07/10/1981

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Address   Building of School of Humanities
Zijingang Campus, Zhejiang University
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RESEARCH INTERESTS

AOS   Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind, Ethics, Theories of Rationality.

AOC   Modal logics, Decision Theory, Formal Epistemology

EDUCATION

2008-2012 PhD in Philosophy at the University of Geneva. Supervisor: Prof. Pascal Engel. Title of the thesis: Belief and Correctness. Examiners: Prof. D. Marconi, Prof. K. Mulligan, Prof. A. Steglich-Petersen, Prof. J. D. Velleman, Dr. M. Chrisman. Viva passed without correction and highest distinction.

2011-2012 Visiting Postgraduate Student at the University of Edinburgh.

2007-2008 PhD in Philosophy at the University of Padua under the supervision of Prof. Massimiliano Carrara (unfinished).

2006 Master (Laurea Specialistica, Italian equivalent of M.A.) at the University of Turin with the thesis: Il Paradosso della Conoscibilità (The Knowability Paradox) under the supervision of Prof. Diego Marconi. Mark: "110/110 cum laude" (highest distinction).

2004 Graduation (Laurea Triennale) from the University of Turin with the thesis: Libertà e necessità nella filosofia di Arthur Schopenhauer (Freedom and Necessity in the Philosophy of Arthur Schopenhauer) under the supervision of Prof. Massimo Mori. Mark: 108/110.

2000-2006 Undergraduate studies in Philosophy and History of Ideas at the University of Turin.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2017-2023 "ZJU 100 Young Professor" research fellowship at Zhejiang University.

2016-2019 Post-Doctoral Researcher (Visiting Fellow) at the University of Southampton (2016-2017) and King's College London (2017-2019).

2013-2016 Post-Doctoral Researcher at the University of Geneva.

RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS

2008-2016 Member of the Episteme Research Group (University of Geneva),

2013-2016 Member of the project *Knowledge-based Accounts of Rationality*. dir. Prof. P. Engel and Prof. F. Teroni. Swiss National Science Foundation, University of Geneva.

2008-2012 Member of the *Mind, Normativity, Self and Property Pro*Doc* (doctoral school) program. Swiss National Science Foundation, Universities of Fribourg, Geneva and Lausanne.

2015- Member of the Groupe de Recherche en Épistémologie (GRÉ).

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

Forth.   "Belief, Credence and Statistical Evidence", *Theoria*.

Forth.   "Perspectivism, Accessibility and the Failure of Conjunction Agglomeration", *Ethics*.

Forth.   "Justification, Conformity, and the Norm of Belief", *Dialogue*.

Forth.   "Moderate Skeptical Invariantism", *Erkenntnis*.

Forth.   "On the Generality Argument for the Knowledge Norm", *Synthese*.

2020   "Les raisons épistémiques et la perspective du sujet : quelques réflexions sur la notion de raison épistémique dans l'oeuvre de Skorupski". In *Raisons. La question méta-éthique : autour de l'œuvre de John Skorupski.* B. Langlet et J.-M. Monnoyer (eds.), PUAM.

2020   "Sur la correction doxastique comme ideal de la raison", *Klesis - La philosophie de Pascal Engel* (ed. J. H. Vollet). 45: 1-20.

2019   "Are epistemic reasons perspective-dependent?", *Philosophical Studies* 176 (12): 3253-3283.

2019   "On correctly responding to all decisive reasons we have", *Ratio* 32 (1), 63-73.

2018   "Passing the Epistemic Buck" (with A. Meylan), in McHugh C., Way J., Whiting D. (eds.) *Metaepistemology*, Oxford, Oxford University Press.

2017   "Belief, Correctness and Constitutivity", *European Journal of Philosophy* 25 (4), *1084-1106.*

2017   "Is There an Epistemic Norm of Practical Reasoning?", *Philosophical Studies* 174 (9), 2137-2166.

2017   Introduction to the *Synthese* Special issue *Truth and Epistemic Norms* (with J. Dutant and A. Meylan), Synthese 194 (5), 1427–1431.

2016   "A Problem for Deontic Doxastic Constitutivism", *Philosophical Papers* 45 (3), 343-364.

2016   "Commonality Reconsidered: On the Common Source of Epistemic Standards" in M. Grajner and P. Schmechtig (Eds.), *Epistemic Reasons, Norms, and Goals*. DeGruyter. Pages 165-184.

2016   "Une explication instrumentale de la relation entre assertion et connaissance", in J. Chevalier and B. Gaultier, *La connaissance et ses raisons*, Collège de France, Paris (invited).

2015   "The Aim of Belief". In *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy.*

2015   "Revisionary Epistemology" (with R. McKenna), in *Inquiry* 58 (7-8), 755-779. Special issue *Philosophical Methodology and Metaphilosophy*. Ed. Herman Cappelen.

2015   "Knowledge and the Importance of Being Right", *Logos & Episteme* 6 (3): 265-289.

2014   "A Blind-spot Argument against Dispositionalist Accounts of Belief", *Acta Analytica* 29 (1): 71-81.

2014   "Truth and the Aim of Belief", in *Oxford Bibliographies in Philosophy*. Ed. Duncan Pritchard. New York: Oxford University Press.

2014   "Il fine della credenza", *Aphex*, 9.

2014   "Taking Norm-Regulation Seriously", in Dutant, J., Fassio D. and Meylan A. (eds.) *Liber Amicorum Pascal Engel*, University of Geneva, pp. 760-777. Link.

2013   "Il Paradosso della Conoscibilità", *Aphex*, 7.

2013   "How to Distinguish Norms from Values", in *The Place of Values in a World of Norms,* 5th Issue of Phenomenology and Mind, pp. 148-158. Ed. Francesca Forlè and Sarah Songhorian. Pavia: IUSS Press.

2011   "Why Knowledge Should Not Be Typed: An Argument against the Type Solution to the Knowability Paradox" (with M. Carrara), in *Theoria*, Vol. 77 (2), pp. 180-193.

2011   "Belief, Correctness and Normativity", in *Logique et Analyse*, 54 (216): 471-486.

2010   "Perfected Science and the Knowability Paradox" (with M. Carrara), in M. D'Agostino, G. Giorello, F. Laudisa, T. Pievani and C. Sinigaglia (eds.), *New Essays in Logic and Philosophy of Science*, Vol. 1. London: College Publications.

2009   "Logically Unknowable Propositions: a criticism to Tennant's three-partition of Anti-Cartesian propositions" (with M. Carrara), in P. Hanna (ed.) *An Anthology of Philosophical Studies*. Vol. 2. Atiner 2009: 181-194.

Edited Special Issues and Collections

2017   (ed., with J. Dutant and A. Meylan) *Truth and Epistemic Norms*. Special issue of *Synthese*, Vol.194, no. 5.

2014   (ed., with J. Dutant and A. Meylan) *Liber Amicorum Pascal Engel*, University of Geneva. Link. (ISBN 978-2-8399-1562-5).

Book Reviews

2011   Franca D'Agostini e Nicla Vassallo (Ed.), "Storia della filosofia analitica", In Richard Davies (Ed.), *Bollettino SIFA 2011*, Mimesis Edizioni (Milano – Udine), pp. 155-162.

2010   Bernard Williams, "Genealogia della verità. Storia e virtù del dire il vero" (Italian translation of "Truth and Truthfulness: an Essay in Genealogy", in Massimiliano Carrara and Vittorio Morato (Ed.), *Bollettino SIFA 2010*, Mimesis Edizioni (Milano – Udine), pp. 173-178.

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

Submitted talks

2009   "Belief, Correctness and Normativity", VAF Conference, Tilburg, 22-23/01/2009

2009   Respondent to the talk of Ralph Wedgwood (University of Oxford), "How Truth Guides Belief", 'The Aim of Belief' Conference, Oslo, 11-13/06/2009.

2009   "How Truth doesn't Govern Belief", Sopha Conference 2009, Geneva, 2/09/2009.

2010   "Four Arguments against Deontological Accounts of Belief", Rijeka Epistemology and Rationality Conference, Rijeka, 21-22/05/2010.

2010   "Doxastic Correctness and the Nature of Belief". SIFA Conference 2010, University of Padua, Padua (Italy), 23-25/09/2010.

2010   "Doxastic Correctness and the Nature of Belief". Conference "The Nature of Belief – The Ontology of Doxastic Attitudes", University of Southern Denmark, Odense (Denmark), 18-19/10/2010.

2012   "The Normative Nature of Correctness". Workshop "Edinburgh Ethics Fest", University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh (UK), 28/05/2012.

2013   "Belief, Correctness and Constitutivity". Joint Session 2013, University of Exeter, Exeter (UK), 14/07/2013.

2014   "Skeptical Interest-Relative Invariantism", Third Lucerne Philosophy Graduate Conference, Lucerne (CH), 14/02/2014.

2014   "A Problem for Deontic Doxastic Constitutivism", CWAP14 Normativity of Meaning, Belief and Knowedge, Cracow (PL), 06/06/2014.

2014   "Moderate Skeptical Invariantism", European Epistemology Network Meeting 2014, Madrid (ES), 02/07/2014.

2014   "Epistemic Norms or Epistemic Norm-Regulation?", SIFA Conference 2014, University of L'Aquila, 04/09/2014.

2015   "Moderate Skeptical Invariantism", VAF Conference 2015, Rotterdam (NL), 28/01/2015.

2015   "Norm, reason, justification and excuse: A Truth-based model for Epistemic Normativity", SOPHA conference 2015, Montreal (CA), 18/06/2015.

2015   "Epistemic Norms or Epistemic Norm-Regulation?", The Leuven Epistemology Conference 2015 - Epistemic Norms, Leuven (BE), 07-09/11/2015.

2016   "Should we believe only what we know?", European Epistemology Network Meeting, Paris (FR), 05/07/2016.

2016   "Epistemic Reasons and the Unity Thesis", SIFA Conference 2016, Pistoia (IT), 06/09/2016.

2017   "The Rational Threshold View and the Problem of Statistical Evidence" (with J. Gao), BARSEA Epistemology Workshop, Cambridge (UK), 25/02/2017.

2017   "Are Epistemic Reasons Perspective-Dependent?", Joint Session 2017, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh (UK), 16/07/2017

2018   "What the Doctor Should Do: Perspectivist Duties for Objectivists about Ought", Humboldt Normativity Conference 2018, Humboldt University, Berlin (DE), 13-15/06/2018.

2018   "On the Generality Argument for the Knowledge Norm", European Epistemology Network Conference 2018, Amsterdam (NL), 28-30/06/2018.

2018   "What the Doctor Should Do", 24th World Congress of Philosophy, Beijing (CN), 12-20/08/2018.

2019   "Pluralism about reason accrual", Workshop on Logics for the Formation and Dynamics of Social Norm (LFDSN 2019), Hangzhou (CN), 04-05/05/2019.

2019   Poster presentation "On the distinction betwen practical and theoretical certainty" (with J. Dutant). Formal Epistemology Workshop 2019, Turin (IT), 19-21/06/2019.

2019   "Practical certainty and the limits of inquiry" Biannual Conference of the Chinese Association of Philosophy of Science, Jingshan (CN), 7-8/09/2019.

Invited talks

2009   "How Truth doesn't Govern Belief", CanDoc Colloquium of the Pro*Doc "Mind, Normativity, Self and Properties", Ovronnaz, 03/10/2009.

2011   "Some Remarks on Doxastic Correctness" CanDoc Colloquium of the Pro*Doc "Mind, Normativity, Self and Properties", Lausanne, 01/04/2011.

2012   "Belief, Correctness and Justification", Workshop "Justification: normality and normativity", Paris 05-06/04/2012.

2014   "Skeptical Interest-Relative Invariantism", Workshop "Knowledge, Scepticism and Modality", University of Padua, Padua (IT), 24/02/2014.

2015   Respondent to Claire Field (KCL) on "Could epistemic akrasia be rational?", 5th Annual Graduate Epistemology Conference, Edinburgh (UK), 28/05/2015.

2016   "Un modèle hyper-externaliste de la normativité épistémique", Epistemological Club, Collège de France, Paris (FR), 02/02/2016.

2016   "Epistemic Reasons, Practical Reasons and the Unity Thesis", Department Seminar at Zhejiang University, Hangzhou (RC), 23/09/2016.

2016   "Reason-infallibilism and the norm of belief", Conference Certitude et infallibilité, GRE, Collège de France, Paris (FR), 04/11/2016.

2016   "Are Epistemic Reasons Perspective-Dependent?", Journées Philosophiques de Gordes (l'objectivité des raisons méta-éthiques), Gordes (FR), 05/11/2016.

2017   "Are Epistemic Reasons Perspective-Dependent?", Workshop 'The Ontology of Epistemic Reasons', University of Basel, Basel (CH), 14/06/2017.

2017   "The Norm of Belief: Truth or Knowledge?", Conference "Les Principes de l'épistémologie", GRE, Collège de France, Paris (FR), 29/09/2017.

2017   "Are Epistemic Reasons Perspective-Dependent?", Epistemology Seminar, King's College, London (UK), 24/10/2017.

2018   "Perspectivism, Accessibility and the Failure of Conjunction Agglomeration", Workshop "Epistemic Normativity – its shape and nature", University of Luxembourg (LU), 23-24/03/2018.

2018   "Perspectivism, Accessibility and the Failure of Conjunction Agglomeration", First Flemish Epistemology Workshop, KU Leuven, Leuven (BE), 18-19/05/2018.

2018   "Perspectivism, Accessibility and the Failure of Conjunction Agglomeration", Epistemology Reading Group, New York University-Shanghai, Shanghai (CN), 12/10/2018.

2018   "Practical certainty and theoretical certainty", Frontiers of Epistemology, Yonsei University, Seoul (SK), 23-25/11/2018.

2018   "On the distinction between practical and theoretical certainty", Institute of Mind and Cognition, Shandong University, Qingdao (CN), 8-9/12/2018.

2019   "Perspectivism, Accessibility and the Failure of Conjunction Agglomeration", Seminar of Philosophical Analysis, University of Pavia, Pavia (IT), 04/06/2019.

2019   "What the Doctor Should Do: Perspectivist Duties for Objectivists about Ought", Conference 'Understanding and making effective use of differences in thejudgments and conceptualisations of Asian and Western cultures', University of Southampton (UK), 26/06/2019.

2019   (with Jie Gao) "An English-Chinese cross-linguistic study of some central concepts in epistemology", Conference 'Understanding and making effective use of differences in the judgments and conceptualisations of Asian and Western cultures', University of Southampton (UK), 26/06/2019.

2019   "Perspectivism, Accessibility and the Failure of Conjunction Agglomeration", Conference 'Knowledge, Context and Responsibility', Peking University (CN), 13/10/2019.

2019   "Do we really need a knowledge-based decision theory?", International Conference on Truth, Metaphysics and Epistemology. Peking University (CN), 17/11/2019.

Internal talks

2009   "Belief, Correctness and Normativity", Young European Epistemologists Workshop, Geneva, 20/03/2009.

2009   Commentator of Carlo Proietti (IHPST, Paris), "Fitch's paradox and semantics for intuitionistic logic", Palmyr-VIII Conference on Formal Epistemology, logic meeting of young researchers, Geneva, 8/05/2009.

2010   Respondent to the talk of Peter Milne (University of Stirling), "The Knowledge Norm of Assertion: a defence against some recent criticisms", Workshop "Norms of assertion", Geneva, 4/06/2010.

2011   "A Non-pragmatic Explanation of the Sensitivity of Knowledge-Attributions to Pragmatic Factors", Conference "The pragmatic load in knowledge" - Blonay, 27-29/06/2011.

2014   "Epistemic Norms or Epistemic Norm-Regulation?", Workshop "Epistemic Norms of Action, Assertion and Belief", University of Geneva, Geneva (CH), 26/03/2014.

2015   "Epistemic Reasons and the Unity Thesis", Episteme Workshop, Geneva, 07/05/2015.

2015   "The Threshold View and the Problem of Statistical Evidence" (with Jie Gao), Conference "Belief, Credence and Action", Geneva, 04/12/2015.

2018   "Moderate Skeptical Invariantism and the problem of infinitely rising stakes", Workshop "Kinds of Knowledge", Hangzhou, 22/09/2018.

2019   "Reason-fallibilism and the norm of belief", Workshop 'Knowledge, Virtue and Responsibility', Hangzhou, 21/09/2019.

2019   "Knowledge, action, and decision theory" (with Jie Gao) , Workshop on knowledge, Action and Responsibility. Hangzhou, 15/11/2019.

TEACHING

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

As a Module Convenor (responsibility for course design and delivery)

- Philosophy of Mind (2018)
- Introduction to Ethics (2014, 2019, 2020)

As a co-organizer

- Undergraduate contemporary readings seminar (2009, 2010, 2011)
- Epistemology (2014, 2015)
- Philosophical Methodology (2019)

GRADUATE COURSES

As a Guest Lecturer

- Problems in Ethics and Epistemology (2008; 2 Lectures).
- Rationality and the Logic of Norms (2009; 2 Lecures).
- The Epistemology of Belief (2009; 2 Lectures).
- Epistemology (2014, 2 lectures).

As a co-organizer of MA and Postdoctoral seminars

- Bayesianism and Pragmatic Encroachment (2011).
- Decision Theory (2013).

As a Module Convenor (responsibility for course design and delivery)

- Ethics (2015).
- Introduction to Epistemology (2019, 2020)
- Academic English Reading (2019)
- Academic English Writing (2019)

ORGANISATION AND ACADEMIC SERVICE

Organised or Co-Organised Events

- Workshop: Judgment, Assertion and Norms, Geneva, 4-5/12/2008.

- Young European Epistemologists Workshop, Geneva, 20-21/03/2009.

- Palmyr-VIII, Conference on Formal Epistemology, Logic meeting of young researchers, Geneva, 8-9/05/2009.

- Workshop: The logic of norms and rationality, with John Broome, Geneva, 22/05/2009.

- Workshop: New Perspectives on Doxastic Voluntarism, Geneva, 23/06/2009.

- Episteme Reading Group 2009-2010.

- Knowing-How: Workshop with Jason Stanley, Geneva, 15-16/10/2009.

- Justification Revisited Conference, Geneva, 25-27/03/2010.

- Workshop: Entitlement and Testimony, Geneva, 18/05/2010.

- Workshop: Norms of Assertion, Geneva, 4/06/2010.

- Episteme Reading Group 2010-2011.

- Workshop: Normativity in the Work of Peter Railton, Geneva, 01/10/2010.

- Workshop on Evidence, Geneva, 27-28/10/2010.

- Workshop: The pragmatic Load in Knowledge, Blonay, 27-29/06/2011.

- Research Group Knowledge Norm of Action, Geneva, Spring 2013-06-03

- Workshop: The Ontology of Evidence (co-organiser), Geneva, 16-17/04/2013

- Co-organiser (with Julien Dutant) of the weekly Research Seminar "Knowledge norm of action", in the FNS project Knowledge-Based Accounts of Rationality (S 2013). Invited speakers: Charity Anderson (Oxford), Errol Lord (Princeton), Matthew Benton (Oxford).

- Organiser of the weekly Research Seminar "Reasons and Rationality", in the FNS project Knowledge-Based Accounts of Rationality (A 2013). Invited speakers: Maria Alvarez (Oxford), John Skorupski (St. Andrews).

- Workshop: La raison sans les bonbons (co-organiser), Geneva, 23/11/2013

- Organiser of the weekly Research Seminar "The normative significance of knowledge: assertion, belief, action and emotion", in the FNS project Knowledge-Based Accounts of Rationality (S 2014). Invited speakers: Mikkel Gerken (Edinburgh), Jessica Brown (St. Andrews), Michael Brady (Glasgow), John Hawthorne (Oxford).

- Workshop "Epistemic Norms of Action, Assertion and Belief", Geneva, 22/03/2014.

- Organiser of the weekly Episteme Research Seminar (S 2015).

- Conference "Belief, Credence and Action", Geneva, 4-5/12/2015.

- Workshop "Kinds of Knowledge", Hangzhou, 22-23/09/2018.

- Co-organiser of the reading group on Susanna Siegel's book "The rationality of Perception" (A 2018).

- Co-organiser of the reading group on Gilbert Harman's book "Change in View" (S 2019).

- Co-organizer of the Epistemology and Mind Seminar 2019. Invited speakers: Julien Dutant (KCL), Sanna Hirvonen (Universitiy of Milan), Fei Song (Hong Kong).

- Workshop "Intuitions and X-Phi", Hangzhou, 20/05/2019.

- Workshop "Frontiers of Epistemology", Hangzhou, 2-3/11/2019.

Refereeing

- Member of the Editorial Committee of the Journal *dialectica* in the years 2009-2014. I am occasionally acting as external advisor for the same journal.

- Referee for the following journals: *Philosophical Studies, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Ergo, Analysis, Synthese, Episteme, Erkenntnis, dialectica, Pacific Philosophical Quarterly, Dialogue, Res Philosophica, Theoria (Swedish), Philosophical Papers, Acta Analytica, THEORIA (Spanish), Aphex, Logique et Analyse, Argumenta, Ethical Theory and Moral Practice, Philosophia Scientiae, Estudios de Filosofía.*

- Referee for the following editors: *Routledge monographs.*

Other responsibilities

Webmaster of the Episteme Research group's website (2012-2015).

Member of the AAIIC (Association of the Italian Academics in China). Since 30/09/2018.

PROJECTS, GRANTS AND PRIZES

Projects

Swiss National Science Foundation research project "Pro*Doc Mind, Normativity, Self and Properties" (2007-2012).

Swiss National Science Foundation research project "Knowledge-based Accounts of Rationality" (2012-2016); monetary amount of the research grant: 446'617 CHF.

Grants

SNSF "Young Researcher" scholarship for a one-year stay at the University of Edinburgh (2011-2012); monetary amount of the research grant: 42,600 CHF.

SNSF "Advanced Researcher" scholarship for a three-years stay at the University of Southampton and King's College London (2016-2019); monetary amount of the research grant: 148,500 CHF

Prizes and Awards

Prize G. Bocca 2006 called by the University of Pisa (best master thesis).

Prize Amiel 2011 (University of Geneva) for the unpublished work "How Truth doesn't Govern Belief".

Oxford Bibliographies in Philosophy Graduate Student Award 2013.

School of Humanities Award for enhancing international collaborations (2019). Zhejiang University.

LANGUAGES

Italian (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), Chinese (basic), Latin (basic).

REFERENCES

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