



Current Position

2022 - 2025 Research Fellow (Ricercatore t. det. art. 24 c.3 -a L. 240/10)
Università degli Studi Mediterranea of Reggio Calabria - Italy
DARTe Department
2022 - 2025

Urban and Regional Planner - License to Practice

Previous positions

2019 - 2022 Marie Curie Post-Doctoral Fellow - ZES Project (Horizon 2020)
CLUDsLab - PAU Department - Università Mediterranea of Reggio Calabria

2013 - 2017 Post-Doctoral Fellow in Urban and Regional Planning
CLUDsLab - PAU Department - Università Mediterranea of Reggio Calabria

Education

- 2021** Course "Big Data for Cities," Northeastern University, Boston, USA
(Non-degree program - College of Social Sciences and Humanities - Interdisc Soc Sci & Hum)
- 2013** Ph.D. in Ocean Engineering at the Mediterranean University of Reggio Calabria.
Dissertation focus on Green Ports as new model of economic development in port cities.
- 2011** European (PhD) Module in Spatial Development and Planning' (EMSDP),
Department of Architecture, KU Leuven, Belgium.
- 2009** M.Sc. in Urban and Regional Planning, 110/110 cum laude
Mediterranea University of Reggio Calabria
- 2006** B. Degree in Urban and Regional Planning, 110/110 cum laude
Mediterranea University of Reggio Calabria

Research Experience

Research Project PLANET - PLANning Ecosystem services for cities in Transition

Funded by Italian National Resilience and Recovery Plan (PNRR) - M4C2 - Inv. 1.2

Project Dates 2022 - 2025

Position Research Fellow (Ricercatore art. 24 c.3 -a L. 240/10)

Main Research Topics Urban Planning and Governance; Ecosystem Services; Urban Transition; Urban Regeneration; Urban Informatics

Research Project ZES - opportunity Zones for innovation EcosystemS governance

Funded by Horizon 2020 EU Research Framework Program - MSCA Individual Fellowship 2018 Global P.R.846144

Project Dates 2019 - 2022

Supervisor Prof. Carmelina Bevilacqua

Position Marie Curie Post-Doctoral Fellow

Main Research Topics Innovation Ecosystems; Urban Governance and Planning; Smart Specialisation Strategies; Urban Transition; Urban Informatics and Big Data

Research Project MAPS-LED - Multidisciplinary Approach to Plan Smart Specialisation Strategies for Local Economic Development

Funded by Horizon 2020 EU Research Framework Program - Marie Skłodowska Curie RISE Actions 2014 P.R.645651

Project Dates 2015 - 2019

Project Coordinator Prof. Carmelina Bevilacqua

Position Marie Curie Experienced Researcher

Main Research Topics Smart Specialisation Strategies; Cluster Policy; Innovation-oriented Policy; Urban Economic Development

Research Project BESECURE Best practice Enhancers SECurity in Urban REgions

Funded by 7th EU Research Framework Program - Cooperation - FP7-SECURITY P.R. 285222

Project Dates 2012 - 2015

Supervisor Prof. Carmelina Bevilacqua (PAU Research unit Coordinator)

Position PhD Student/Post-Doctoral Fellow

Main Research Topics Urban Safety, Urban Security, Social exclusion, Social Inclusion Policies, Urban Policy, Urban Regeneration, Capacity Building, Partnership Building

Research Project CLUDs - Commercial Local Urban Districts

Funded by 7th EU Research Framework Program - Marie Curie IRSES Actions 2010 FP7-PEOPLE-2010-IRSES P.R. 269142

Project Dates 2011 - 2014

Project Coordinator Prof. Carmelina Bevilacqua

Position Marie Curie Early Stage Researcher
Marie Curie Experienced Researcher

Main Research Topics Public-Private Partnership, Urban Regeneration Initiatives, Community Planning, Territorial Milieu, Innovative Milieu

Publications and conference proceedings

- Bevilacqua, C.; Pizzimenti, P.; Hamdy, N.; Mangiulli, F. (2022). From Deinstitutionalization to Community-Based Urban Development: Investigating Accessibility of Urban Systems in Calabria through Network Analytics. *Sustainability* 2022, 14, 1348. <https://doi.org/10.3390/su14031348>
- Pizzimenti P. (2021) The green and digital transition of EU cities: urban innovation ecosystem and urban governance. BOOK OF ABSTRACTS: POSTER SESSIONS, MCAA ANNUAL CONFERENCE, 5-7 MARCH 2021. Marie Curie Alumni Association, Avenue des Arts 24, B-1000 Brussels, Belgium, ISBN 9789464336016, DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.4650066
- Bevilacqua, C., Ou, Y., Pizzimenti, P., Anversa, G. (2020). Contextualizing Transition: A Multiscale Approach to Making Resilience-Oriented and Place-Sensitive Strategies. In: Bevilacqua, C., Calabrò, F., Della Spina, L. (eds) *New Metropolitan Perspectives*. NMP 2020. Smart Innovation, Systems and Technologies, vol 177. Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-52869-0_5
- Bevilacqua C., Ou Y., Pizzimenti P., Minervino G. (2019). New Public Institutional Forms and Social Innovation in Urban Governance: Insights from New Urban Mechanics in Boston. *Sustainability* 2020, 12, 23; doi:10.3390/su12010023
- Bevilacqua C., Anversa G., Pizzimenti P., Cantafio G. (2019). Local Clusters as “Building Blocks” for Smart Specialization Strategies: A Dynamic SWOT Analysis Application in the Case of San Diego (US). *Sustainability* 2019, 11, 5541; doi:10.3390/su11195541
- Bevilacqua C., Pizzimenti P. (2018). Urban Planning and Innovation: The Strength Role of the Urban Transformation Demand. The Case of Kendall Square in Cambridge. In: Calabrò F., Della Spina L., Bevilacqua C. (eds) *New Metropolitan Perspectives Symposium*. ISHT 2018. Smart Innovation, Systems and Technologies, vol 100, p.272-281. Springer, Cham https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-92099-3_39;
- Bevilacqua C., Pizzimenti P., Borrello V. (2018) How Knowledge, Innovation and Place Work Together to Design Entrepreneurial Discovery Process: Insights from Maps-Led Project. In: Calabrò F., Della Spina L., Bevilacqua C. (eds) *New Metropolitan Perspectives Symposium*. ISHT 2018. Smart Innovation, Systems and Technologies, vol 100, p. 336-345. Springer, Cham https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-92099-3_32;
- Bevilacqua C, Provenzano V, Pizzimenti P, Maione C. (2017). Smart Specialisation Strategy: The Territorial Dimension of Research and Innovation Regional Policies. In: Elkadi H, Ruddock L, *Shaping Tomorrow's Built Environment*. p. 993-1003, The University of Salford, The Crescent, Salford, M5 4WT, UK, ISBN: 9781912337040
- Massimo D.E., Bevilacqua C., Pizzimenti P., Maione C. (2017). Nature-Based and Innovation-Led Urban Regeneration: a Hypothesis of Green District for the Metropolitan City of Reggio Calabria. In: Elkadi H, Ruddock L, *Shaping Tomorrow's Built Environment* p. 993-1003, The University of Salford The Crescent, Salford, M5 4WT, UK, ISBN: 9781912337040 [conference proceedings]
- Bevilacqua C, Pizzimenti P. (2016) Living Lab and Cities as Smart Specialisation Strategies Engine. *Procedia Social and Behavioral Sciences* 223 (2016) 915 – 922. doi: 10.1016/j.sbspro.2016.05.315;
- Trillo C., Pizzimenti P, Bevilacqua C, Maione C. (2016) Integrating communities: how spatial patterns matter? *Procedia - Social and Behavioral Sciences* 223 (2016) 244 – 250. doi:10.1016/j.sbspro.2016.05.358;
- Bevilacqua C, Provenzano V, Pizzimenti P, Maione C, Cappellano F, Spisto A. (2015) Smart Specialisation Strategy: The Territorial Dimension Of Research And Innovation Regional Policies. In: XXXVI Conferenza Italiana Di Scienze Regionali. Arcavacata di Rende (CS), September 14-16 2015
- Bevilacqua C., Trillo C., Pizzimenti P, Maione C. (2015). Urban Form and Urban Security: Insights from a Southern Italian Neighbourhood . In: *Plan Together — Right Now — OVERALL From Vision to Reality for Vibrant Cities and Regions 20th International Conference on Urban Planning and Regional Development in the Information Society*. Ghent, Belgium, 5 - 7 May, ISBN/ISSN: 97839503110
- Bevilacqua C., Maione C., Pizzimenti P, Calabrò J., Zingali L. (2014). Territorial Milieu as Driver for Sustainability through Urban Regeneration Initiatives: the Case of San Diego, *CATrans Tech Publications*, vol. 11, p. 364-375, doi: 10.4028/www.scientific.net/AEF.11.364;
- Bevilacqua C, Calabrò J, Pizzimenti P. (2013). Urban Regeneration Tools And Community Involvement: Community Benefit District. In: *Mobilising Regions: Territorial Strategies for Growth*. London, 22/11/2013, ISBN/ISSN: 978-1-897721-45-2;
- Bevilacqua C, Calabrò J, Maione C, Pizzimenti P. (2013). Public Spaces as positive externalities in urban regeneration initiatives. *Urbanistica Dossier*, ISSN: 2240-0133.
- Bevilacqua C., Calabrò J., Maione C., Pizzimenti P. (2013). Public Spaces as positive externalities in urban regeneration initiatives. In: *Il Governo Della Città' Nella Contemporaneità. La Città' Come Motore Di Sviluppo*. Salerno, 24-26 Ottobre 2013, Roma: Inu Edizioni, p. 345-350, ISBN/ISSN: 978-88-7603-094-9;
- Bevilacqua C., Pizzimenti P, Calabrò J., (2013) Urban Regeneration Tools And Community Involvement: Community Benefit District, *Regional Studies Association Winter Conference Mobilising Regions: Territorial Strategies For Growth*, 22 November 2013, Mobilising Regions: Territorial Strategies for Growth, Regional Studies Association, London (GBR), 2013, pp. 88-92
- Bevilacqua C., Monardo B., Esposito G., Trillo C., Pizzimenti P., Calabrò J (2012). Commercial Local Urban Districts. In: *Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions in Horizon 2020. Regional and International impact*, p. 75- 84, ISBN/ISSN: 978-9963-700-62-2
- Bevilacqua C., Trillo C, Esposito G, Calabrò J., Pizzimenti P. (2012). Smart specialization strategies: the role of Public Private Partnership in planning smarter cities. In: *Networked Regions and Cities in Times of Fragmentation: Developing Smart, Sustainable and Inclusive Places*, 13-16 maggio 2012, London: Regional Studies Association, p. 18-23, ISBN/ISSN: 978-1-897721-41-4.

Presentations at International Conferences and meetings

- [2022] "Resilient and Transition Strategies for the Post Pandemic City: the Case of the Metropolitan City of Reggio Calabria", International Symposium New Metropolitan Perspective, Reggio Calabria, Italy 26 May 2022
- [2021] "The green and digital transition of EU cities: urban innovation ecosystem and urban governance". Marie Curie Alumni Association Annual conference, 5-7 March 2021, DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.4650066
- [2020] "Breaking the Wall of Urban Innovation Ecosystem". Falling Wall Lab International Conference Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions 2020 German Presidency Online Conference, 29 September 2020 <https://www.msca2020.eu>
- [2019] "Leveraging Territorial Knowledge Dynamics for a more effective Smart Specialisation Strategies implementation by EU - lagging regions." Second Annual Conference on the Geography of Innovation and Complexity - TRENd 1st International Workshop. Utrecht, NL, 2-4 September, 2019.
- [2019] "The Boston Resilience Strategy. A suitable case study for the TRENd Project". TRENd Project Kick-off meeting. Reggio Calabria, IT, 24-25 June 2019
- [2018] "Urban planning and Innovation: the strength role of the urban transformation demand. The case of Kendall Square in Cambridge". Third International Symposium "New Metropolitan Perspectives". 22-25 May, Reggio Calabria, IT
- [2018] "How knowledge, innovation and place work together to design Entrepreneurial Discovery Process: insights from Maps-Led project". Third International Symposium "New Metropolitan Perspectives". 22-25 May, Reggio Calabria, IT
- [2017] "Smart Specialisation Strategy: The Territorial Dimension of Research and Innovation Regional Policies. International Research Week Conference - MAPS-LED Second International Workshop", Manchester, UK, 11-14 September, 2017
- [2017] "Nature-Based and Innovation-Led Urban Regeneration: a Hypothesis of Green District for the Metropolitan City of Reggio Calabria". International Research Week Conference - MAPS-LED Second International Workshop, Manchester, UK, 11-14 September, 2017
- [2016] "The Role of Clusters in S3. A Spatial Perspective from US analysis". MAPS-LED Project -First Mid-Term Meeting, Northeastern University, Boston, MA, USA
- [2015] "The Cluster mapping methodology". MAPS-LED Project – Kick-off meeting , Northeastern University, Boston, MA, USA
- [2014] "Territorial Milieu as Driver for Sustainability through Urban Regeneration initiatives". CLUDs Project – First International Symposium. New Metropolitan Perspectives. The Integrated Approach of Urban Sustainable Development through the implementation of Horizon/Europe 2020. 6-9 May 2014, Reggio Calabria, IT
- [2013] "The Role of Community in generating benefits through Urban Regeneration Initiatives". CLUDs Project – Second International Workshop. 11-12 June 2013, San Diego State University, San Diego, California, USA.
- [2012] "Smart specialization strategies: the role of Public Private Partnership in planning smarter cities." In Networked regions and cities in times of fragmentation: Developing smart, sustainable and inclusive places Gateway: City-regions, networks and urban systems – G1 Planning smarter cities and regions. abstract accepted, 13th - 16th May 2012, Delft University of Technology, Delft, The Netherlands
- [2012] "Boston Marine Industrial Park." 7FP MARIE CURIE IRSES / CLUDs PROJECT Commercial Local Urban Districts. WP1 "URBAN MANAGEMENT TOOL": FIRST FINDINGS FROM BOSTON. Training workshop with the first results of case studies' analysis in the "Greater Boston". 11th June 2012 Mediterranean University of Reggio Calabria, Reggio Calabria, Italy
- [2012] "Smart specialization strategies: the role of Public Private Partnership in planning smarter cities. Regional Studies Association Annuale European Conference. TU Delft, Delft, NETHERLANDS, 13th – 16th May 2012

Reviewer/discussant/chair activity

- 2022 Co-chair of the session "Cities as Resilience Machines: Driving the Urban Transition" - International Symposium New Metropolitan Perspective, Reggio Calabria, 26 May 2022
- 2022 Discussant of PhD students seminars presentation at the Post-graduate Programme in International Spatial Development Planning, Katholieke Universiteit of Leuven
- 2022 Reviewer activity for the New Metropolitan Perspective 2022 International Symposium.
- 2021 Reviewer activity for "Cities" The International Journal of Urban Policy and Planning. Elsevier ISSN: 0264-2751
- 2021 Discussant of PhD students seminars presentation at the Post-graduate Programme in International Spatial Development Planning, Katholieke Universiteit of Leuven
- 2019 Reviewer activity for "Cities" The International Journal of Urban Policy and Planning. Elsevier ISSN: 0264-2751
- 2018 Co-chair of the session "Innovation and space: Urban and Regional Development". New Metropolitan Perspective 2018 International Symposium
- 2018 Reviewer activity for the New Metropolitan Perspective 2018 International Symposium.

Support for the organization of Research-related Events

ZES Project - Conference session "Cities as REsilience Machines: Driving the Urban Transition, Chairs: Carmelina Bevilacqua, Pasquale Pizzimenti, Vincenzo Provenzano, International Symposium New Metropolitan Perspective, Reggio Calabria, Italy 26 May 2022

TREnD Project - Kick-off Meeting - Reggio Calabria [scientific organization committee, June 2019]

MAPS-LED Project - Symposium New Metropolitan Perspectives 2018 - Università Mediterranea of Reggio Calabria - May 2018 - Co-chair of the session on "Innovation spaces - Urban and Regional Development"

MAPS-LED Project - International Research Week Conference - Second International Workshop. Conference Proceedings, Manchester, UK, 11-14 September, 2017 - Chair of the IPGR Session

MAPS-LED Project - First Mid-Term Meeting - Department of Economics, Northeastern University of Boston, MA, USA. HORIZON2020 - Marie Slowdowska Curie - RISE P.R.645651 [organization committee, June 2016]

MAPS-LED Project - Kick-off Meeting. Department of Economics, Northeastern University of Boston, MA, USA. HORIZON2020 - Marie Slowdowska Curie - RISE P.R.645651. [organization committee, August 2015]

MAPS-LED Project - International Open Panel Discussion. Reggio Calabria, It. HORIZON 2020 - Marie Slowdowska Curie - RISE P.R.645651. [organization committee, May 2015]

CLUDs Project -First International Symposium. Reggio Calabria, IT. 7FP Marie Curie IRSES 2010; P.R. 269142 [organization committee, May 2014]

CLUDs - Second International Workshop. San Diego State University, San Diego, CA. Host Partner Organization. 7FP Marie Curie IRSES 2010; P.R. 269142 [organization committee, June 2013]

CLUDs - Second Midterm Meeting. San Diego State University, San Diego, CA. Host Partner Organization. 7FP Marie Curie IRSES 2010 P.R. 269142 [organization committee, August 2012]

CLUDs - First International Workshop. Economic Development Strategies. The Role of Public Private Partnership. 11th June 2012Mediterranea University of Reggio Calabria, Reggio Calabria, Italy. 7FP Marie Curie IRSES 2010; P.R. 269142 [organization committee, June 2012]

CLUDs - First Midterm Meeting. Boston, Northeastern University, Boston, MA. Host Partner Organization 7FP Marie Curie IRSES 2010 P.R. 26914 [organization committee, October 2011]

Exhibitions

#CAPT_URED. Orizzonti Globali Impatto Locale. PhDs Thesis Exhibition - First Cycle of the International Doctorate Programme in Urban Regeneration and Economic Development. Reggio Calabria, Italy [January 2016]

Languages

Italian (Mother tongue)

English: Test Of English Foreign Language (TOEFL) Certification. Score 89/120 (2019)

In correspondance with the B2 level (Upper Intermediate Level) of the European Common Reference Language Framework

Scientific Associations

Regional Studies Association

Marie Curie Alumni Association

Professional Associations

Italian Register of Architects and Planners Section

A - Urban and Regional Planner

Digital skills

Big Data for Cities (data analysis and visualization) R-studio;

European ECDL (Data Security); MS Office; Adobe Illustrator; Adobe Photoshop; Autocad; GIS (non-professional); Tableau Desktop (Data Visualization) Canva (Infographics); Wordpress; DataWrapper; Flourish