SELECTED LECTURES (2005-2018)


2005 Global Changes and Local Impacts in European Cities, APPAM Fall conference “Understanding and informing Policy Design”, 3-5 November, Washington DC (USA), invited lecture.

2006 Governance arrangements in Italy, Governance in the world, International conference, Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development (CRRiD), 6 March, Chandigarh (Punjab, India), Plenary keynote.


2007 Territori e attori in un’Europa che cambia, National conference of the Italian Sociological Association (Associazione Italiana di Sociologia, AIS), 13-15 September, Urbino (Italy), Opening plenary keynote.

2009 Territories and actors in a changing Europe, Zif – Zentrum für interdisziplinäre Forschung, Universitaet 9-10 January, Bielfeld (Germany), invited lecture.

2009 Armutsprävention in europäischen Städten im Kontext einer Subsidiarisierung der Sozialpolitik, Internationale Konferenz, Die Zukunft der Sozialen Stadt, Hochschule Darmstadt/Hans Boecker Stiftung, 9-10 June, Darmstadt (Germany) Plenary keynote.

2010 La ri-articolazione territoriale dei sistemi di welfare capitalism in Europa, National conference of the Italian Sociological Association (Associazione Italiana di Sociologia, AIS), 23-25 September, Milan (Italy), thematic plenary keynote.


2010 Rescaling and multilevel governance arrangements in European Social Policy, ESPAnet – Israel Workshop, Tel Hai (Israel) 27-29 June, invited lecture.

2010 The local dimension of activation policies in Europe, International workshop on activation policies in Europe, Oslo University College, 21-22 October, Oslo (Norway), invited lecture.

2011 Shifting Boundaries of Citizenship in Europe: Rescaling Social Policies towards Multilevel Governance Arrangements, Center for European Studies at Harvard University, 21 April, Cambridge, MA (USA), invited lecture.


2012 The new boundaries of citizenship in Urban Europe, Georg Simmel Zentrum für Metropolenforschung and Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, 25 April, Berlin (Germany), invited lecture.


2012 Elephants and Butterflies. Public Institutions and Social Innovation at the Local Level, Carlton University, 22 October, Ottawa (Canada), invited lecture.

2013 Public Institutions, civil society and Social Innovation: the challenges, International conference Participatory local welfare, citizenship and third sector organizations. What is at stake? 1 February, Pisa (Italy), plenary keynote lecture.

2013 The Governance of Educational Trajectories in Europe, 22 March, International Conference at the W.Goethe University, Frankfurt/M (Germany), plenary keynote lecture.

2013 Subsidarity and the State: the challenge of local welfare systems, Colloque international “Les Territoires vécus de l’intervention Sociale”, 25 March, Versailles (France) Plenary Keynote lecture

2013 Public Institutions, territorial changes and civil society, 15 May, Leuven (Belgium) Open lecture.

2013 Social Inclusion and Subsidiarity: how to manage, Greens in big cities network meeting, 1 June, Berlin, invited lecture.

2014 From Citizenship to Cit(y)zenship. Why cities are becoming more important. 11 February, Ljubljana (Slovenia) International Conference on “The New Post-Socialist City: Competitive and Attractive”, plenary keynote lecture.

2014 From Citizenship to Cit(y)zenship. The importance of rights, invited lecture at the Center of Metropolitan Studies (CEM, Sao Paulo, Brazil).

2014 From Citizenship to Cit(y)zenship: Cities as laboratories of Social Innovation, The Graduate Center, CUNY (New York, USA).

2015 Social investment in Italia: missione impossibile? (Milano, Italy).


2015 Rescaling social policies. A path towards Multilevel Governance in Europe. “Urban and Local European Studies” (URBEUR).

2015 From Citizenship to Cit(y)zenship: Cities as laboratories of social innovation against poverty. DiverCities Masterclass (Leipzig, Germany).


2015 Social services in Europe. Comments. SOCIAL SERVICES DISRUPTED Implications and policy challenges for a crisis-ridden Europe. (Reggio Calabria, Italy).

2015 Sozialpolitik in Italien: Definitionen, Akteure und Kategorien. Trinationale Forschungskonferenz „Sozialpolitik im Spannungsfeld nationalstaatlicher Traditionen und europäischer Neuordnung” (Menaggio, Italy).
2015 "From Citizenship to Cit(y)zenship. Why are Cities getting more important" Antrittsvorlesung Universität Wien. (Wien, Austria).

2015 Reforming the EU's Economic and Monetary Union from a 'social investment perspective': Mission possible? Vienna Lecture on the European Union: "Reforming the EU's Economic and Monetary Union from a 'social investment perspective': Mission possible?" with Anton Hemerijck (Wien, Austria).

2016 Stakeholders’ Involvement in European participatory practices: evolution and challenges. ImPRovE Final Conference (Antwerp, Belgium).


2016 Rescaling social policies. A path towards Multilevel Governance in Europe. EMSDP – European Module of Spatial Development Planning (Leuven, Belgium).

2016 Conceptualizing territorial dimensions of welfare states. CUNY Graduate Center (New York, USA).

2016 Environmental behaviour and air quality. Air quality policies of the future: individual responses and social challenges (Brussel, Belgium).


2016 From Citizenship to Cit(y)zenship: the changing boarders of social inclusion and exclusion. ISA Annual Conference 2016 (Wien, Austria).

2016 Do Air Quality Policies and Individual Attitudes Meet? Four European Metropolitan Areas for a Comparative Exploration. ISA Annual Conference 2016 (Wien, Austria).


2016 Why cities are becoming more important. IRS - Leibnitz Institute for Research on Society and Space (Leibnitz, Austria).

2017 From micro to macro and back: a meso bricolage approach to the analysis of transitions. (Institut für Soziologie, Uni Wien)


2017 Governance of Educational Trajectories in Europe / Governance der Übergänge von der Schule in Beschäftigung in Europa. (Institut für Soziologie, Uni Wien)

2017 Unequal cities in Europe: the challenge of post-industrial transition in times of austerity. (Politecnico di Milano)

2017 Social policy, social innovation, social governance in Europe. (Netherlands)
2017 European ideas, national implementations: social investment rhetoric and the importance of the context (Institut für Soziologie, Uni Wien)

2017 From micro to macro and back: a meso bricolage approach to the analysis of transitions. (Università degli Studi di Genova, Italy)

2017 European idea, national implementations (Villa Vigoni, Italy)

2017 Soluzioni universali? Sull’importanza della contestualizzazione nelle politiche sociali europee: il caso del Social Investment. (Università degli Studi di Padova, Italy)

2017 HU Kosmos Summer School (Humboldt-Universität Berlin, Germany)

2017 A social investment perspective on lifelong learning policies: the challenges ahead (13th ESA, Athens)

2017 The challenges of social innovation: is every city fit for it? (ARL International Summer School 2017, Austria)

2017 Preparing good applications for research funding (5th RC21-IJURR-FURS Summer School in Comparative Urban Studies, Leeds, UK)

2017 From Citizenship to Cit(y)zenship. Is every city fit for social innovation? (Herbsttagung der Sektion Stadt- und Regionalsoziologie in der DGS, TU Dortmund, Germany)

2017 Umwelt im Gespräch: Wie Feinstaub das Klima beeinflußt (Umwelt im Gespräch: Wie Feinstaub das Klima beeinflußt, Naturhistorisches Museum Wien, Austria)