

# Curriculum Vitae

## Personal information:

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## Academic positions:

Since 2014 Associate Professor of “Dynamic psychology” (M-PSI/07), Department of History, Society and Human Studies, University of Salento (Italy).

Since 2015 Director of the Bachelor and Master Program in “Psychology”, University of Salento (Italy).

Coordinator of the research line “Clinical intervention in psychotherapy and health promotion”, Laboratory of Applied Psychology and Intervention, Department of History, Society and Human Studies, University of Salento (Italy).

Since 2014 Director of the international PhD training program in “Psychotherapy Science”, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

2014 Habilitation in Clinical and Dynamic Psychology, Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research.

Since 2011 Assistant professor of “Dynamic psychology” (M-PSI/07), Department of History, Society and Human Studies, University of Salento (Italy) (tenured).

2008-2011 Assistant professor of “Dynamic psychology” (M-PSI/07), Department of History, Society and Human Studies, University of Salento (Italy) (tenure-track).

2007-2008 Assistant professor of “Psychotherapy science”, Department of Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

2004-2005 Research assistant, Department of Psychosomatic Medicine and Psychotherapy, University of Ulm (Germany).

2001-2002 Research assistant, Department of Psychosomatic Medicine and Psychotherapy, University of Ulm (Germany).

**Education and training:**

- 2017 Psychotherapy training in "Psicoterapia Psicodinamica ad Orientamento Socio-Costruttivista", Training institute PPSISCO, Lecce.
- 2010 Methods workshop "Research methods in psychotherapy", University of Trier (Germany), European chapter of the Society for Psychotherapy research (SPR-Europe).
- 2007 PhD in Psychotherapy Research, University of Ulm (Germany), Cum Laude
- 2006 Method workshop "Research methods in psychotherapy", University of Genève (Switzerland), European chapter of the Society for Psychotherapy research (SPR-Europe).
- 2005 Summer school in "Neural networks models of perception, action and embodied knowledge", University di Bologna.
- 2003 Psychodiagnostic course "OPD: Operationalized psychodynamic diagnosis ", University La Sapienza, Rome.
- 2000 Master degree in Clinical Psychology, University of Urbino, 110/110 cum laude

**Main research areas:**

- Since 2012 Quantitative and qualitative empirical research on psychotherapy and on psychotherapy training (evaluation of process and outcome)
- Since 2010 Epistemological reflection on the nature of various form of clinical interventions and applicative methods in the field of psycho-social sciences
- Since 2007 Epistemological and methodological reflection on the application of quantitative, qualitative and mixed methods in scientific research, with specific regard of psychotherapy research.
- Since 2002 Empirical investigation of psychotherapeutic process (process research) and of its relationship with clinical outcome (process-outcome research) in different psychotherapeutic orientations. Within this, a specific focus is on the use of metaphorical language in therapy sessions, computer-assisted text analysis of the psychotherapeutic process, and the application of dynamic systems theory to the understanding of clinical change.

**Academic appointments:**

- Since 2018 Member of the Register of Scientific Experts, Section "Basic Research", Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research.
- 2017/2018 Member of scientific committee of the First Level Master in "Criminology: Expert in Pedagogical, Psychological and Sociological sciences",

- Department of History, Society and Human Science, University of Salento, Lecce (Italy).
- 2017 Member of the Register of Auditors for Ministerial Evaluation of Research Programs and Results (Valutazione Qualità Ricerca – VQR 2011-2014), Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research.
- 2016 Member of the Evaluation committee for the access to PhD training in “Human and Social Science”, Department of History, Society and Human Science, University of Salento, Lecce (Italy).
- Register of Auditors for Ministerial Evaluation of Research Programs and Results (Valutazione Qualità Ricerca – VQR), Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research.
- 2013 Member of the Register of Auditors for Ministerial Evaluation of Research Programs and Results (Valutazione Qualità Ricerca – VQR 2004-2010), Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research.
- 2014-2015 Tutoring and supervision of a research fellowship (research assignee) in the project “Identification of change mechanisms in Emotion-Focused Therapy for depression”. Funded by University of Salento (Italy).
- 2012-2013 Tutor in Scuola Superiore ISUFI (Istituto Superiore Universitario di Formazione Interdisciplinare), University of Salento (Italy).
- Member of the Register of Auditors for Ministerial Evaluation of Research Programs and Results (Valutazione Qualità Ricerca – VQR), Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research.
- 2013 Consultation of four PhD projects, PhD training program in “Psychotherapy Research”, Pontifical Catholic University of Chile.
- 2013 TFA (Tirocini Formativi Attivi) committee member, Classe di concorso A036, University of Salento (Italy).
- Since 2013 Member of the doctoral committee, PhD training program in “Human and Social Sciences”, University of Salento (Italy).
- 2012 Member of the doctoral committee, PhD training program in “Science of Mind and of Interpersonal Relationship”, University of Salento (Italy).
- 2011-2016 ERASMUS department coordinator for the Bachelor degree “Psychological Science and Techniques” and for the Master degree “Methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).
- Coordinator of Institutional Relations, Steering committee of the Italian section of the Society for Psychotherapy Research (SPR-Italy).
- Coordinator of the unit of quantitative research in the project “A longitudinal investigation of psychotherapy training”, Department of Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- Internship tutor for the Bachelor degree “Psychological Science and Techniques” and for the Master degree “Methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).

- 2010 Member of the doctoral committee, PhD training program in “Science of Mind and of Interpersonal Relationship”, University of Salento (Italy).
- 2008 Member of the doctoral committee, PhD training program in “Science of Mind and of Interpersonal Relationship”, University of Salento (Italy).
- Since 2008 Coordinator of the international PhD training program in “Psychotherapy Science”, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- Since 2008 Member of the doctoral committee, PhD training program in “Psychotherapy Science”, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

### **Tutoring of PhD students:**

- Since 2008 Tutoring and supervision of PhD projects, PhD training program in “Science of Mind and of Interpersonal Relationship”, University of Salento (Italy):
- Ezechiele Giannelli (2014-in progress): “Minnesota model and dialectical behavior therapy for the treatment of alcoholism: A comparative process-outcome study”
  - Francesca Giordano (2008-2011): “Personality factors, anger, and coping styles in cardiovascular disease”
- Since 2007 Tutoring and supervision of several PhD projects, PhD training program in “Psychotherapy Science”, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria):
- Anna Dourdouma (2010-2014): “Exploring the process of therapeutic change in Systemic Family Therapy. A qualitative study of clients’ perspectives”
  - Roza Dzamaldaeva (2010-2013): “Social representation of work efficiency and compensation for workers and managers: Discrepancies and their relation to depression, anxiety and stress”
  - Romana Kress (2010-2014): “Changing the sense of self through ritual: Ritual as a psychotherapeutic intervention” (co-tutored together with Dr. Kathrin Moertl)
  - Saba Khodayarifard (2009-2012): “Shift Events and Psychotherapy Outcome” (co-tutored together with Prof. Erhard Mergenthaler)
  - Dirnberger-Puchner Silvia (2009-2012): “Self-efficacy and locus of control in patients with multiple sclerosis and their relationship with psychotherapy motivation”
  - Irmtraut Kusatz (2009-2012): “Therapeutic change in systemic short therapy with amputees: A qualitative study”
  - Saba Khodayarifard (2009-2012): “Shift Events and Psychotherapy Outcome” (co-tutored together with Prof. Erhard Mergenthaler)
  - Astrid Zips (2008-2011): “Hypnotherapy and hypnoenergetic therapy in the treatment of obese women: Body reduction, eating behavior and body image”
  - Karin Neumann (2008-2011): “Hypnotherapy and hypnoenergetic therapy in the treatment of obese women: Self-esteem and quality of life”

**Participation to supported national and international research projects:**

- 2016-today Member of the “Society for Psychotherapy Research interest section on Complexity Science”.
- 2014-today Member of the “Society for Psychotherapy Research interest section on Therapists Training and Development”.
- 2014-2015 Principal investigator of the project “Identification of change mechanisms in Emotion-Focused Therapy for depression”. Funded by University of Salento (Italy) [Euro 48.000].
- 2008-2010 Member of research group in the project SALOMON “Entwicklung einer Forschungsmethodik zur Erfassung individueller und kollektiver Bedrohungswahrnehmungen von MigrantInnen”. Funded by Bundesministerium für Verkehr, Innovation und Technologie, Austria.
- 2009-2010 Member of research group in the project SALOMON Next step “Bedrohungswahrnehmung von MigrantInnen”. Funded by Bundesministerium für Verkehr, Innovation und Technologie, Austria.
- 2008-2013 Principal investigator in the project “Are there equivalent ways of achieving psychotherapeutic outcome? A comparative process-outcome study in an outpatient clinic”. Funded by the Marianne-Ringler Foundation, Vienna. [Euro 5.000]

**Main teaching activity:**

- 2017-2018 Aggregate professor of “Dynamic psychology” (12 ECTS), Bachelor degree in “Psychological Science and techniques”, University of Salento (Italy).
- Aggregate professor of “Laboratory of Master Thesis” (2 ECTS), Master degree in “Methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).
- Aggregate professor of “Psychodynamic Models of Clinical Research” (8 ECTS), Master degree in “Methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).
- 2016-2017 Aggregate professor of “Dynamic psychology” (12 ECTS), Bachelor degree in “Psychological Science and techniques”, University of Salento (Italy).
- Aggregate professor of “Laboratory of Master Thesis” (2 ECTS), Master degree in “Methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).
- Aggregate professor of “Psychodynamic Models of Clinical Research” (8 ECTS), Master degree in “Methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).

Adjunct lecturer of “Quantitative methods of psychotherapy research” (16 hrs. - in German), Master degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University, Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Research methodology in psychotherapy – III-IV” (28 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Process and outcome research in psychotherapy” (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Psychotherapy integration” (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Process and outcome research in psychotherapy” (14 hrs.), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

2015-2016 Aggregate professor of “Dynamic psychology” (12 ECTS), Bachelor degree in “Psychological Science and techniques”, University of Salento (Italy).

Aggregate professor of “Laboratory on clinical research” (2 ECTS), Master degree in “Methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).

Aggregate professor of “Laboratory on master thesis” (2 ECTS), Master degree in “Methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).

Adjunct lecturer of “Quantitative methods of psychotherapy research” (16 hrs. - in German), Master degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University, Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Research methodology in psychotherapy – III-IV” (28 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Process and outcome research in psychotherapy” (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Psychotherapy integration” (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Research methodology in psychotherapy – III” (14 hrs.), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Research methodology in psychotherapy – IV” (14 hrs.), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

- 2014-2015 Aggregate professor of "Dynamic psychology" (12 ECTS), Bachelor degree in "Psychological Science and techniques", University of Salento (Italy).
- Aggregate professor of "Laboratory on the evaluation of interventions" (2 ECTS), Master degree in "Methodology of psychological intervention", University of Salento (Italy).
- Adjunct lecturer of "Quantitative methods of psychotherapy research" (16 hrs. - in German), Master degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University, Vienna (Austria).
- Adjunct lecturer of "Research methodology in psychotherapy – III-IV" (28 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- Adjunct lecturer of "Process and outcome research in psychotherapy" (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- Adjunct lecturer of "Psychotherapy integration" (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- Adjunct lecturer of "History of psychotherapy research" (14 hrs.), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- Adjunct lecturer of "Psychotherapy integration" (14 hrs.), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- 2013-2014 Aggregate professor of "Dynamic psychology" (12 ECTS), Bachelor degree in "Psychological Science and techniques", University of Salento (Italy).
- Aggregate professor of "Clinical psychology" (12 ECTS), Bachelor degree in "Psychological Science and techniques", University of Salento (Italy).
- Aggregate professor of "Laboratory on the evaluation of interventions" (2 ECTS), Master degree in "Methodology of psychological intervention", University of Salento (Italy).
- Adjunct lecturer of "Psychotherapy research" (16 hrs. - in German), Bachelor degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University, Vienna (Austria).
- Adjunct lecturer of "Comparative psychotherapy research" (32 hrs. - in German), Master degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- Adjunct lecturer of "Research methodology in psychotherapy – IV" (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Process and Outcome Research in Psychotherapy” (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “History of Psychotherapy Research” (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Lecturer of “Qualitative research in psychotherapy” (2 hrs.), Psychotherapy research in public services, organized by the Italian section of the Society for Psychotherapy Research (SPR-Italy), Ischia (Italy).

2012-2013 Aggregate professor of “Dynamic psychology” (12 ECTS), Bachelor degree in “Psychological Science and techniques”, University of Salento (Italy).

Aggregate professor of “Laboratory on the evaluation of interventions” (2 ECTS), Master degree in “Methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).

Adjunct lecturer of “Process and Outcome Research in Psychotherapy” (12 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Psychotherapy as Science and as a Profession” (12 hrs. - in English), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Psychotherapy research” (14 hrs. - in German), Bachelor degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Comparative psychotherapy research” (32 hrs. - in German), Master degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Process and Outcome Research in Psychotherapy III” (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Psychotherapy research” (4 hrs.), Training institute in “Socio-constructivist psychodynamic therapy” (PPSISCO), Lecce (Italy).

2011-2012 Aggregate professor of “Dynamic psychology” (12 ECTS), Bachelor degree in “Psychological Science and techniques”, University of Salento (Italy).

Aggregate professor of “Laboratory on the evaluation of interventions” (2 ECTS), Bachelor degree in “Psychological Science and techniques”, University of Salento (Italy).

Aggregate professor of “Laboratory on the evaluation of interventions” (2 ECTS), Master degree in “Methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).



Adjunct lecturer of “Research methodology in psychotherapy – II” (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Psychotherapy research” (14 hrs. - in German), Bachelor degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Comparative psychotherapy research” (32 hrs. - in German), Master degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

2010-2011 Aggregate professor of Dynamic psychology (12 ECTS), Bachelor degree in “Psychological Science and Techniques”, University of Salento (Italy).

Aggregate professor of “Laboratory on Evaluation” (2 ECTS), Bachelor degree in “Psychological Science and techniques”, University of Salento (Italy).

Aggregate professor of “Elements of psychopathology and psychodiagnostics” (8 ECTS), Master degree in “Methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).

Adjunct lecturer of “Quantitative and qualitative research: Epistemology, methodology and research methods” (8 hrs.), PhD training program in “Science of Mind and of Interpersonal Relationship”, University of Salento (Italy).

Adjunct lecturer of “Research methodology in psychology Quantitative, qualitative and mixed approaches (8 hrs.), PhD training program in “Psychology”, Catholic University, Milan (Italy).

Adjunct lecturer of “Research methodology in psychotherapy – I” (14 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Psychotherapy research” (16 hrs. - in German), Bachelor degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University, Vienna.

Adjunct lecturer of “Comparative psychotherapy research” (32 hrs. - in German), Master degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Qualitative research in psychotherapy” (8 hrs.), Studi Cognitivi (Training institute in cognitive-behavioral psychotherapy), Modena (Italy).

Adjunct lecturer of “Qualitative research in psychotherapy” (8 hrs.), Studi Cognitivi (Training institute in cognitive-behavioral psychotherapy), Milan (Italy).

2009-2010 Aggregate professor of “Dynamic psychology” (12 ECTS), Bachelor degree in “Psychological Science and techniques”, University of Salento (Italy).

Aggregate professor of “Laboratory on the evaluation of interventions” (1 ECTS), Bachelor degree in “Psychological Science and techniques”, University of Salento (Italy).

Aggregate professor of “Foundations of psychotherapy” (8 ECTS), Master degree in “methodology of psychological intervention”, University of Salento (Italy).

Adjunct lecturer of “Qualitative research in psychology” (16 hrs.), PhD training program in “Science of Mind and of Interpersonal Relationship”, University of Salento (Italy).

Adjunct lecturer of “Comparative psychotherapy research” (24 hrs. - in German), PhD training program in “Psychotherapy Science”, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Psychotherapy research” (16 hrs. - in German), Bachelor degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University, Vienna (Austria).

Adjunct lecturer of “Comparative psychotherapy research” (32 hrs. - in German), Master degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

Lecturer of “Strategies of qualitative analysis in psychotherapy: Change interview” (8 hrs.), Summer school of the Italian section of the Society for Psychotherapy Research (SPR-Italy), Ischia (Italy).

2008-2009 Aggregate professor of “Psychodynamic models of interventions” (8 ECTS), Bachelor degree in Educational Sciences, University del Salento (Italy).

Adjunct lecturer of “Models of psychotherapy” (8 hrs.), Training institute in “Socio-constructivist psychodynamic therapy” (PPSISCO), Lecce (Italy).

Adjunct lecturer of “Psychotherapy research” (16 hrs. - in German), Bachelor degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University, Vienna.

Adjunct lecturer of “Comparative psychotherapy research” (32 hrs. - in German), Master degree in Psychotherapy Science, Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

2006-2007 Adjunct lecturer of “Medical psychology and sociology” (4 ECTS, in German), Master degree in Human Medicine, University of Ulm (Germany).

2004-2005 Adjunct professor of “Psychology of language and communication development” (12 ECTS), University of Parma (Italy).

2003-2004 Adjunct lecturer of “Dynamic Psychology – Advanced course” (10 hrs), Master degree in Psychology, Bicocca University, Milan (Italy).

**Other relevant teaching activity:**

- 2018 Course “Epistemology and Psychology” (15 hrs. – in Italian), First Level Master in “Criminology: Expert in Pedagogical, Psychological and Sociological sciences”, Department of History, Society and Human Science, University of Salento, Lecce (Italy).
- 2018 Seminar “Change from the perspective of dynamic systems theory” (5 hrs. - in Italian), Doctorate program in Human and Social Science, Department of History, Society and Human Studies, University of Salento, Lecce (Italy).
- 2017 Seminar “Change from the perspective of dynamic systems theory” (5 hrs. - in Italian), Doctorate program in Human and Social Science, Department of History, Society and Human Studies, University of Salento, Lecce (Italy).
- 2016 Seminar “Dynamic systems theory: An interdisciplinary approach to the study of change” (5 hrs. - in Italian), Doctorate program in Human and Social Science, Department of History, Society and Human Studies, University of Salento, Lecce (Italy).
- Seminar “A dynamic systems approach to change in psychotherapy” (4 hrs. - in English), Master degree in Clinical-Dynamical Psychology, University of Padua, Padua.
- 2016 Seminar “Psychotherapy Research: An Introduction” (4 hrs. - in English), Faculty of Media and Communications, Belgrade (Serbia).
- Seminar “Psychotherapy Research: Methodological issues” (4 hrs. - in English), Faculty of Media and Communications, Belgrade (Serbia)
- 2015 Seminar “Dynamic systems theory: An approach to the study of change from an interdisciplinary perspective” (3 hrs. - in Italian), Doctorate program in Human and Social Science, Department of History, Society and Human Studies, University of Salento, Lecce (Italy).
- Seminar “Psychotherapy Research: An Introduction” (4 hrs. - in English), Faculty of Media and Communications, Belgrade (Serbia).
- Seminar “Psychotherapy Research: Methodological issues” (4 hrs. - in English), Faculty of Media and Communications, Belgrade (Serbia).
- 2014 Seminar “Dynamic systems theory: Theoretical issues and methodological implications” (4 hrs. - in Italian), Doctorate program in Human and Social Science, Department of History, Society and Human Studies, University of Salento, Lecce (Italy).
- 2013 Seminar “Quantitative and qualitative research in psychotherapy” (5 hrs. - in English), European Association for Psychotherapy (EAP), Vienna (Austria).
- Lecture on “A Dynamic Systems Approach to the Psychotherapeutic Process” (1 hr.), Pontifical Catholic University of Chile, Santiago del Cile (Cile).

Workshop on "Psychotherapy Research" (16 hrs.), Uruguayan Federation of Psychotherapy, Montevideo (Uruguay).

Workshop on "Qualitative Research" (16 hrs.), Uruguayan Federation of Psychotherapy, Montevideo (Uruguay).

2012 Workshop on "Psychotherapy Research", Uruguayan Federation of Psychotherapy, Montevideo (Uruguay) (24 hrs.).

2006 Adjunct lecture on "The Therapeutic Cycle Model and psychotherapy research" (3 hrs.), Department of Psychotherapy, University of Bern (Switzerland).

Adjunct lecture on "Cognitive science and dynamic systems theory in psychotherapy: The proposal for an integrative framework" (3 hrs.), European Summer School in Clinical Psychology and Psychotherapy Research, University La Sapienza, Rome (Italy).

#### **Invited talks:**

2017 Keynote speech "What really is psychotherapy science?", World Congress for Psychotherapy, Paris (France).

2017 Round table "Psychotherapy and research: Major findings and challenges for research in psychotherapy", World Congress for Psychotherapy, Paris (France).

2016 "A dynamic systems approach to psychotherapeutic discourse ", Workshop "Complexity Science for Human Change", Rome (Italy).

"A dynamic systems approach to psychotherapy: A meta-theoretical framework for explaining change processes in psychotherapy", Mind Force Conference "Complexity Science in Life", Siena (Italy).

Keynote speech "Psychotherapy between practice and research", Conference of the European Association for Psychotherapy: Connecting psychotherapy: Practice & research, Vienna (Austria).

2015 Keynote speech "Scientific validation of TA theory: How can basic TA concepts be empirically validated to reach scientific recognition?", 1st European Association for Transactional Analysis (EATA) Conference, Rome (Italy).

"Veränderungsprozesse in der Beratung: Die Perspektive der dynamischen Systemtheorie" ["Change processes in Counseling: The perspective of dynamic systems theory"], Seminar Series on Counseling Sciences, ARGE Bildungsgemeinschaft, Sigmund Freud University, Vienna (Austria).

Keynote speech "Psychotherapy Training Research", 5th International Psychotherapy Symposium: Training and psychotherapy education, Università, Masaryk University, Brno (Czech Republic)

- 2013 "When is a psychotherapist a scientist", First United Eurasian Congress for Psychotherapy, Joint congress of the Asian Federation for Psychotherapy, European Association for Psychotherapy, and Professional Psychotherapeutic League, Moscow (Russia).  
"Psychotherapy Research", First United Eurasian Congress for Psychotherapy, Joint congress of the Asian Federation for Psychotherapy, European Association for Psychotherapy, and Professional Psychotherapeutic League, Moscow (Russia).
- 2012 Keynote speech "Psychotherapy science", National Congress of the Polish Federation of Psychotherapy, Krakow (Poland).  
Keynote speech "Dynamic system theory and clinical change", National Congress of the Uruguayan Federation of Psychotherapy, Montevideo (Uruguay).  
Keynote speech "Psychotherapy as social construction", National Congress of the Uruguayan Federation of Psychotherapy, Montevideo (Uruguay).
- 2006 "Stress and cardio-vascular diseases" (3 hrs), Borghi Foundation, Brebbia (Italy).

**Editorial activity:**

- Since 2015 Associate Editor of the journal "Frontiers in Psychology for Clinical Settings"  
Associate Editor of the journal "Research in Psychotherapy: Psychopathology, Process and Outcome"
- 2015 Guest Associate Editor of the special issue (called Research Topic) "Dynamic systems theory and embodiment in psychotherapy research. A new look at process and outcome" for the journal "Frontiers in Psychology for Clinical Settings"
- Since 2012 Scientific board of the "International Journal of Philosophy and Psychology"
- 2012-2015 Scientific board of the journal "Research in Psychotherapy: Psychopathology, Process and Outcome"  
Issue manager of the journal "Research in Psychotherapy: Psychopathology, Process and Outcome"
- 2012 Guest editor of the special issue on "Text analysis in psychotherapy process research: Quantitative and qualitative methods" for the journal "Research in Psychotherapy: Psychopathology, Process and Outcome"
- Since 2008 Ad-hoc reviewer for the journal:
- "Counselling Psychology Quarterly"
  - "SAGE Open"
  - "Psychotherapy Research"

- "Journal of counseling psychology"
- "Journal of Clinical Psychology"
- "Journal of Constructivist Psychology"
- "Integrative Journal of Psychological and Behavioral Science"
- "Review of General Psychology"
- "International Journal of Dialogical Science"
- "Medical Research Methodology"
- "Culture and Psychology"
- "Philosophy, Ethics, and Humanities in Medicine"
- "Injury Prevention"

**Awards:**

- 2008 International (for German speaking countries) award for psychotherapy research, Marianne Ringler Foundation, Vienna (Austria).
- 2005 International Travel Award for psychotherapy research, European chapter of the Society for Psychotherapy Research (SPR-Europe).

**Organization of scientific events:**

- 2018 Seminar on "The relationship in psychotherapy from a systemic perspective: Different approaches and common aspects", University of Salento (Italy).
- 2014 Member of the scientific committee of the 10<sup>th</sup> Congresso Nazionale della Sezione Italiana della Società per la Ricerca in Psicoterapia (SPR-Italia), Padova (Italy).
- Chair of the scientific and organizational committee of the "VII International Summer School in Psychotherapy Research", Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- 2013 Co-chair of the scientific and organizational committee of the "Conference for young psychotherapists and students", First United Eurasian Congress for Psychotherapy, Moscow (Russia).
- Chair of the scientific and organizational committee of the "VI International Summer School in Psychotherapy Research", Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- 2012 Chair of the scientific and organizational committee of the "V International Summer School in Psychotherapy Research", Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- 2011 Chair of the scientific and organizational committee of the "IV International Summer School in Psychotherapy Research", Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- 2010 Chair of the scientific and organizational committee of the "III International Summer School in Psychotherapy Research", Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).

- 2009 Chair of the scientific and organizational committee of the "II International Summer School in Psychotherapy Research", Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- 2008 Chair of the scientific and organizational committee of the "II European Summer School in Psychotherapy Research", in collaboration with the Society for Psychotherapy Research (SPR), Sigmund Freud University Vienna (Austria).
- 2006 Chair of the scientific and organizational committee of the "I European Summer School in Psychotherapy Research", in collaboration with the Society for Psychotherapy Research (SPR), University La Sapienza, Rome (Italy).

**Clinical activity:**

- 2017-today Assessment, clinical diagnosis and treatment, Centro di Salute Mentale, Mental Health Service, Lecce.
- 2005-2006 Psychologist at the psychotherapy outpatient clinic of the Department of Psychosomatic Medicine and Psychotherapy, University of Ulm (Germany).
- 2003-2005 Psychological counseling at the "Centro Interazione Ascolto Ulm - CIAU", Department for Cultural Integration and the European Possibility, City of Ulm (Germany).

**Memberships in scientific societies:**

- Since 2016 Society for Chaos Theory (SCT)
- Since 2003 Society for Psychotherapy Research (SPR)  
Italian Section of the Society for Psychotherapy Research (SPR-Italy)
- 2008-2009 Italian Society of Medical Pedagogy (SIPeM)
- 2000-2007 Italian Society of Psychosomatic Medicine (SIMP)
- 2001-2004 Italian Association of Cognitive Science (AISC)
- 2001-2003 European Society for the Study of Cognitive Systems (ESSCS)
- 1998-2000 Italian Society of Health Psychology (SIPS)

**Languages:**

- Italian (mother tongue)
- English (spoken: very good; written: very good)
- German (spoken: very good; written: good)

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