





# Dr. Matteo C.M. Casiraghi

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**Place of birth:** Bollate (Italy)  
**Date of birth:** 09<sup>th</sup> May 1989  
**Nationality:** Italian

## CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

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*Assistant Professor* – Department of International Relations, University of Groningen

April 2023 – Present

## PREVIOUS ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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*Marie Skłodowska-Curie Global Fellow* – University of Warwick and University of Denver

February 2022 – March 2023

*Teaching Fellow* – Department of Social and Political Sciences, Bocconi University

September 2021 – December 2022

*Post-doctoral Researcher* – Department of Social and Political Sciences, University of Milan

February 2021 – January 2022

## EDUCATION

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*Ph.D. in Political Studies* – University of Milan (NASP)

March 2020

*B.A. and M.A. in International Relations* – University of Milan

July 2014 (cum laude), 2016 (cum laude)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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International norms, public attitudes toward war, mercenaries, non-state actors in war, political parties, populism, experiments, visual politics, text-analysis, parliamentary debates

## PUBLICATIONS

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Casiraghi, Matteo C.M. and Eugenio Cusumano (2024). *The International Politics of Logos: Colours, Symbols, Cues and Identities*. London: Routledge

Casiraghi, M. C. M., Curini, L., & Nai, A. (2024). "I trust you, but I'm scared!" Attitudinal and emotional drivers of support for restrictive interventions during crises. *Political Psychology*, 1–18.

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M., Luigi Curini, Nicola Maggini, and Alessandro Nai (2024). Who looks up to the Leviathan? Ideology, political trust, and support for restrictive state interventions in times of crisis. *European Political Science Review* 1-16

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M. and Eugenio Cusumano (2023). Lethal brands: Terrorist groups' logos and violence. *Journal of Peace Research*

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M., Luigi Curini, and Alessandro Nai (2023). Populism in the eye of the beholder? A conjoint experiment on citizens' identification of populists. *European Journal of Political Research*

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M., Eugenio Cusumano, and Angelos Chrysosogelos (2023). European integration and political party logos: A 'visual Europeanization'? *European Union Politics*.

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M. and Eugenio Cusumano (2023). Is someone's mercenary someone else's contractor? American, British and Russian PMSCs in US and UK parliamentary debates. *International Relations*

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M., Luigi Curini, and Eugenio Cusumano (2022). The colors of ideology: Chromatic isomorphism and political party logos. *Party Politics*

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M. and Margherita Bordignon (2023). The rhetorical contestation of populism in four European Parliaments (2010-2020). *West European Politics* 46(1): 173-195

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M. (2022). "Useless and dangerous?" Mercenaries in fourteenth century wars. *Small Wars and Insurgency* 33(2): 71-91

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M. (2021). Weak, politicized, absent: The anti-mercenary norm in Italy and the United Kingdom 1805-2017. *Journal of Global Security Studies* 6(1): ogz076

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M. and Luigi Curini (2022). When the worlds of preferences collide: Determinants of MP's attitudes on the Italian Questione Romana 1861-1870. *Parliamentary Affairs* 75(3): 655-675

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M. (2021). 'You're a populist! No, you're a populist!' The rhetorical political analysis of a popular insult in the UK 1970-2018. *British Journal of Politics and International Relations* 23(4): 555–575 (Shortlisted for the *John Peterson Best Article Prize 2021*)

Casiraghi, Matteo C.M. and Francesco Testini (2021). Appeals to authority in political rhetoric: Machiavelli in the Italian Parliament 1945-1994, *Parliamentary Affairs* 74(2): 333-353

## RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

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Norms and public approval for the use of force: A conjoint experiment on the effectiveness of jus in bello regulations (with Elizabeth Grasmeder)

War in Lithuania: Experimental realistic evidence on the impact of norm violations on audience costs (with Elizabeth Grasmeder)

The strategic use of international norms in the US Congress (1995-2022): Evidence from text-analysis and formal model (with Dogus Atkan)

Status and diplomatic visits: Evidence from Italy, 2000-2022 (with Tiziana Corda)

## **ADDITIONAL TRAINING**

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*ECPR Summer School* 2018 – The politics of interdependence

*EITM Summer School* 2017 – Mixed methods for the study of conflict and cooperation

*Visiting Research Period* 2017-2018 – King's College London, Department of War Studies

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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A.Y. 2023/2024

Politics of Violent Conflict @ University of Groningen, M.A. in International Relations

Methods Research Practice (minor) @ University of Groningen, various B.A.s

Experiments in Political Science @ University of Genoa, Ph.D. in Security Studies

Research Methods in Humanitarian Studies @ University of Groningen, Erasmus Mundus Joint M.A. in International Humanitarian Action

Statistics for International Relation @ University of Groningen, B.A. in International Relations and International Organizations

A.Y. 2022/2023

Research Methods in Humanitarian Studies @ University of Groningen, Erasmus Mundus Joint M.A. in International Humanitarian Action

Statistics for International Relation @ University of Groningen, B.A. in International Relations and International Organizations

Bayesian Process Tracing – University of Milan, Ph.D. in Political Studies (online)

Rhetorical Political Analysis – University of Milan, Ph.D. in Political Studies (online)

A.Y. 2021/2022

Politics of Conflict @ Bocconi University, M.A.s in Economics, Political Science, and Law

Empirical International Relations @ University of Milan, M.A. in Economics and Political Science and B.A. in International Politics, Law and Economics

A.Y. 2020/2021

Research Design and Methods for International Relations @ University of Milan, M.A. in International Relations

**FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

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Marie Curie-Skłodowska Global Fellowship (€ 270.000) – European Commission 2021

Award for distinguished participation (€ 250) – ECPR Summer School 2018

Ph.D. scholarship (€ 13.638 per year) – University of Milan 2016-2020

Excellence scholarship for M.A. students (€ 6.000) – University of Milan 2016

**OTHER INFORMATION**

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*Software and Programming:* R, Stata, Tableau Public

*Languages:* Italian (native), English (fluent), Spanish (fair), Dutch (basic)

**REFERENCES**

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