

CV OF GIUSEPPE DI VITA

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1. Personal data

Name: Giuseppe Di Vita



2. Education University of Catania (Italy) 1985-1990

Major Fields: Economics

Minor Fields: Law

Degrees: Degree in Law, 1990
Dottore di ricerca in Economia (Ph.D. in Economics), 1995

Thesis: "Economic Analysis of Waste Recycling Process"

Actual position: Full professor of Economics

National academic qualification of full professor of economic policy, December 18, 2013
(abilitazione scientifica nazionale di professore ordinario di politica economica, 18 dicembre 2013).

3. Research and Teaching

Research Interests: Corruption, Economic Analysis of Litigation, Legislative complexity, Institutional quality.

Teaching Experience: Micro and Macro Principles, Environmental Economics; Advanced microeconomics.

Institutional charges: Member of "Observatory for monitoring the overall efficiency of the justice system and for the evaluation of the reforms needed for growth of the country." Established at the Ministry of Justice decree of appointment of the right 10/12/2016. H index in Scopus 11, 228 citations.

4. **Publications**

A. **Journal Articles**

1. "The Economic Impact of Legislative Complexity and Corruption: A Cross-Country Analysis " 2021. In press to *International Journal of Finance and Economics*.
2. "Political Corruption and Legislative Complexity: Two Sides of Same Coin?" 2021. *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics* **57**:136-147.
3. "Is the Legislative Complexity a Constraint to the Convergence of the per Capita GDP across Italian Regions? An Econometric Analysis" (with Livio Ferrante), 2021. *European Journal of Law and Economics* **51**:541–561.
4. "Recent Legislative Measures to Reduce Overcrowding of Prisons in Italy: A Preliminary Assessment of their Economic Impact." 2020, *European Journal of Law and Economics* **49**:277–299.
5. (with Gianluca Cafiso and Fabio Paolo Di Vita) "The Economic Impact of Legislation. An Historical Analysis of Italy From the creation of the Kingdom of Italy to the End of World War II", 2019, *Journal of Institutional Economics* **15**(1):121-141.
6. "Institutional Quality and the Growth Rates of the Italian Regions: The Costs of Regulatory Complexity." 2018, *Paper in Regional Science* **97**(4):1057-1081.
7. (with Giovanni Ramello) "Foreword to the special issue.", 2017, *European Review of Law and Economics* **44**:193–195.
8. "International Strengthening of IPR and Air Pollution Abatement: The Role of the TRIPs Agreement". 2017, *Technological and Economic Development of Economy* **23**(2):316-338.
9. (with Fabio Di Vita and Gianluca Cafiso) "The Economic Impact of Legislation and Litigation on Growth. A Historical Analysis of Italy From its Unification to World War II." 2017. Forthcoming in *Journal of Institutional Economics*.

10. "Institutional Quality and the Growth Rates of the Italian Regions: The Costs of Regulatory Complexity." 2017. Forthcoming in *Paper in Regional Science*.
11. "International Strengthening of Intellectual Property Rights and the Development of the Financial Market." 2016. *Journal of economics and finance* **40**(1):60-67.
12. (with Giovanni Ramello) "Foreword to the special issue on Economic Analysis of Litigation." 2015 *Review of Law and Economics* **11**(2):111-112.
13. "Centralization versus Decentralization of Laws Production and the Effects on Litigation: A Case Study." 2015, *Review of Law and Economics* **11**(2):267-292
14. "TRIPs Agreement and Technological Innovation" 2013 *Journal of Policy Modeling* **35**(6): 964-977.
15. "The Determinants of Legal Disputes Duration. An Empirical Analysis with Micro Data." 2012 *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics* **168**(4):563-587.
16. "Normative Complexity and the Length of Administrative Disputes: Evidence from Italian Regions." 2012 *European Journal of Law and Economics* **34**(1):197-213..
17. "Endogenous Discount Rate and Elasticity of Marginal Utility of Consumption" 2012 *Applied Economics Letters* **19**(7):665-669.
18. "Curbing Corruption in Public Administration: A Case Study from Italy." 2011 *International Journal of Public Administration* **34**(10):631-645.
19. "Complessità normativa e durata media dei giudizi civili e amministrativi in Italia." *La Magistratura*, rivista dell'Associazione Nazionale Magistrati, 2010, n.1-2, pp. 64-82.
20. "Il livello di entropia quale criterio di classificazione degli ordinamenti giuridici." In corso di stampa in *Studi in onore di Luigi Arcidiacono*. Giuffr  editore, Milano, 2010.
21. "Production of Laws and Delay in Court Decisions." 2010, *International Review of Law and Economics* **30**(3):276-281.
22. "Legal Families and Environment Protection: Is there a causal relationships?" 2007. Nota di Lavoro 78.2007, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei, Milano. *Journal of Policy Modeling*, 2009, **31**:694-707.
23. "Differences in Pollution Levels among Civil Law Countries: A Possible Interpretation." 2008, *Energy Policy*, **36**(10):3774-3786.
24. "Capital Accumulation, Interest Rate, and Income-Pollution Pattern. A Simple Model." *Economic Modelling*, 2008, **25**(2):225-235.

25. "Is the Discount Rate Relevant in Explaining the Environmental Kuznets Curve?". Nota di Lavoro 83.2003, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei, Milano. *Journal of Policy Modeling* **30**(2):191-207, 2008.
26. "La sentenza della Corte di Cassazione a Sezioni Unite n. 500 del 1999 ha modificato gli incentivi a corrompere e a essere corrotti?" *L'Industria*, 2008, **XXIX**(1):53-75.
27. "A note on exogenous changes in incentives for and deterrence of corruption" Nota di Lavoro 16.2006, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei, Milano. Pubblicato su *German Working Papers in Law and Economics* vol. 2006: Article 17. *European Journal of Law and Economics* **24**(1):15-27, 2007.
28. "Exhaustible Resource and Secondary Materials: A Macroeconomic Analysis." *Ecological Economics*, 2007, **63**(1):138-148.
29. "Legal Families and Environment Protection: Is there a causal relationships?" 2007. Nota di Lavoro 78.2007, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei, Milano.
30. "Natural resources dynamics: Exhaustible and renewable resources, and the rate of technical substitution." *Resources Policy* 2006, **31**(3):172-182.
31. "International Trade and its Consequences on the Environment: A Note." in *Economia delle fonti di energia e dell'ambiente*, n. 2, 2005, pp. 125-134.
32. "Another Explanation of Pollution-Income Pattern." *International Journal of Environment and Pollution* **21**(6) 2004, pp. 588-592.
33. "Renewable Resources and Waste Recycling." Nota di Lavoro 9.2002, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei, Milano. *Environmental Modeling and Assessment* **9**(3): 2004, pp. 159-167
34. "An Extension of the Engel Aggregation Condition", May 8, 2003. *Case and Teaching Paper Series*, available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=419542>
35. "Inferior Goods: A Note." *Studi Economici*, **77**(2) 2002, pp. 315-317.
36. "Technological Change, Growth and Waste Recycling." *Energy Economics* **23**(5) 2001, pp. 549-567.
37. "Are the Output Derived From Secondary Materials a Giffen Goods?" *Resources Policy* **27**(4) 2001, pp. 255-260.
38. "Il centro storico di Catania: Primi risultati di una indagine." ("The Historical Centre of Catania: First Results of a Research.") *Archivio di Studi Urbani e Regionali*, **69**, 2000, pp. 15-31.
39. "La domanda di lavoro: Una rassegna della letteratura" ("Labor Demand: A Survey of the Literature"), *Economia, Società e Istituzioni*, n. 3, 1999, pp. 365-399.

40. "An Endogenous Growth Model with Exhaustible Resources and Waste Recycling." Published in *Annali della Facoltà di Economia e Commercio dell'Università di Catania*, 1998, pp. 433-454
41. "Macroeconomic Effects of Waste Recycling Deriving From Imported Non-Renewable Raw Materials ." *Resources Policy*, **24**(4) 1997, pp. 179-186.
42. "Effetti macroeconomici del processo di riciclaggio dei rifiuti derivanti da materie prime non-rinnovabili importate." *Economia Pubblica*, n. 1, 1997, pp. 89-109.
43. "Il recupero dei rifiuti tossici e nocivi come tutela dell'ambiente e risparmio energetico. Aspetti igienico-sanitari ed economici" ("The Recovery of toxic and hazardous waste. Environmental preservation and energy saving"), *Inquinamento*, n. 6 (1997), pp. 58-62.
44. "Una introduzione all'analisi economica del diritto" ("An introduction to law and economics analysis"), in *Studi in Onore di Giuseppe Ragusa Maggiore*, vol. I, Cedam 1997, pp. 367-379.
45. "Tassi di interesse nominali e tassi di interesse reali" ("Nominal Rates of Interest and Real Rates of Interest"), in *Rassegna Economica*, LX (1996), pp. 881-904.
46. "La nuova disciplina sul riciclaggio dei rifiuti" ("The New Italian Law of Waste Recycling"). *Rivista di Economia delle Fonti di energia e dell'ambiente*, n. 3, (1994), pp. 81-85.
47. "Considerazioni di natura economica sulla disciplina dei rifiuti" ("Some Economic Consideration on Italian Waste Law"). *Rivista giuridica dell'ambiente*, n. 3/4, 1995, pp. 449-460.
48. "Il piano di stabilizzazione israeliano del 1985" ("The Israeli Stabilization Plan of 1985"), pubblicato sul periodico dell'Accademia di scienze e belle arti degli Zelanti e dei Dafnici di Acireale (1990), pp. 357-374.

B. Working Papers

- "Misspecification of Property Rights, Corruption, and Litigation Costs." 2006.
- "Human Capital Accumulation in Sicily and the Mafia. A Historical Analysis After the Unification of the Italian Kingdom" (with Fabio Di Vita), 2018, under revision.
- "Exploring the Roots of Sicilian Underdevelopment: The Role of Mafia Since the Unification of Italian Kingdom Up to Present Day" (with Fabio Di Vita) 2020 in progress.

- “Solar Panels Recycling and Economic Growth” (with Aude Pommeret), 2021 in progress.

C. Book Chapters

1. “Una rassegna delle analisi empiriche sulla disoccupazione nel Mezzogiorno” (“A survey of the empirical studies on Southern Italy Unemployment.”). In *Annali della Facoltà di Giurisprudenza*, Università degli Studi di Catania, Giuffrè Editore, Milano, 2002.
2. “Government Failure” forthcoming in *Encyclopedia of Law and Economics*, edited by Jürgen Backhaus, Springer, 2014.
3. “Environmental crime” forthcoming in *Encyclopedia of Law and Economics*, edited by Jürgen Backhaus, Springer, 2015.

D. Book

4. Lectures in Macroeconomics (Lezioni di Macroeconomia). Giappichelli Editore, Torino, 2012.

5. Grants and Research Visits

- a. Research Fellowship, sponsored by MURST, 1991-1994;
- b. Summer School of Environmental Economy Harvard University, June-August 1992;
- c. Course of Econometrics, September 1992;
- d. Summer School of Econometrics, June 1993;
- e. Research Fellowship, sponsored by Italian Research Council to University of Catania, 1995-1997;
- f. Research Visit, Department of Economics of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, July and August 1997, invited by Professor Hans Haller;
- g. Research Visit, Department of Economics of Washington State University, July and August 1998, invited by Professor Jeff Krautkramer;
- h. Research Visit, Department of Economics of Westminster University, August and September 1999, invited by Professor Vincent Rich;

- i. Research Visit, Interdisciplinary Institute for Environmental Economics, University of Heidelberg, July - August 2001, invited by Professor Till Requate.
- j. Visiting Professor, Department of Economics, University of Paris X (Nanterre), 2017/2018.
- k. Visiting Professor Université Savoie Mont Blanc (Università di Savoia, Annecy) AA.AA. 2019/2020 e AA.AA. 2020/2021.

6. Conference presentations and invited seminars:

- Seventh Annual Conference of European Association of Environmental and Resources Economists, Lisboa, June 1996.
- First World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, Venice, Italy, June 1998.
- Invited seminar at University of Bologna – Department of Economics 12.14.1999;
- Invited seminar at University of Bern – Department of Economics 12.21.1999;
- Tenth Annual Conference of European Association of Environmental and Resources Economists, Creta, giugno 2000;
- World Congress of Econometric Society, Seattle, USA, 11-16 agosto 2000;
- World Congress on Managing and Measuring Sustainable Development, Guelph, Ontario Canada, 17-22 agosto 2000.
- Euresco conference “The International Dimension of Environmental Policy”, Acquafredda di Maratea, 6 - 11 October, 2001.
- Second World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, Monterey (CA) June 24-27, 2002.
- Third International Conference of Association for Public Economic Theory, Paris, July 4-6, 2002.
- Fourth International Conference of Association for Public Economic Theory, Durham (USA), June 13-15, 2003.
- Conference on Sustainable Resource Use and Economic Dynamics, Ascona, Switzerland, June 7-10, 2004.

- Thirteenth Annual Conference of European Association of Environmental and Resources Economists, Budapest, June 25-28, 2004.
- 60th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance, Bocconi University, Milan, Italy, August 23-26, 2004.
- Invited seminar at University of Padua (Italy), February 2, 2005.
- Invited seminar at University of Durham (UK), March 3, 2005.
- Internal seminar at University of Catania, Faculty of Law on “Renegotiation of contract: An approach of Law and Economics.”, Catania, Italy, March 18, 2005.
- World Conference on Natural Resource Modelling, Arcata (CA), USA, June 13-17, 2005
- First Annual Conference of Italian Society of Law and Economics (ISLE-SIDE), Siena, Italy, November 25-27, 2005.
- Internal seminar at Seminario di studi di Politica Economica del 20-21 gennaio 2006 dal titolo “Economia e Criminalità”, tenuto presso l’Università degli Studi di Catania, Facoltà di Giurisprudenza.
- National workshop organized at University of Catania, Faculty of Law on “Economic Analysis of Crime”, Catania, Italy, January 20-21, 2006.
- Annual Workshop of the European Master Programme in Law and Economics at the University of Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany, February 10, 2006.
- Third World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, Kyoto (Japan) July 3-7, 2006.
- Eighth International Meeting of the Society for Social Choice and Welfare, Istanbul (Turkey) July 13-17, 2006.
- 62th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance, Paphos, Cyprus, August 28-31, 2006.
- 23^a Annual Conference of the European Association of Law and Economics, Madrid, Spain, September 14-16, 2006.
- Second Annual Conference of Italian Society of Law and Economics (ISLE-SIDE), Rome, Italy, October 25-26, 2006.
- Annual Workshop of the European Master Programme in Law and Economics at the University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy, February 16, 2007.

- International Conference on “Searching for New Models in the Economic Analysis of Law.” University of Messina, Faculty of Law, Messina, Italy, March 25-27, 2007.
- 24^a Annual Conference of the European Association of Law and Economics, Madrid, Denmark, September 13-15, 2007.
- Second Conference of Empirical Legal Studies, New York, United States, November 9-10, 2007.
- Workshop held in the University of Cagliari, coordinated by professor Salvatore Vinci on “Poverty Traps and Multiple Equilibria: An Interpretative scheme for Southern Italy development”, Cagliari, Italy, February 9-10, 2008.
- International workshop organized by prof. Giuseppe Di Vita, entitled “Inside the Black Box of the Courts’ Decision-Making Process: Theory and Empirical Evidence”, Catania, Italy, June 13-14, 2008.
- Fourth Annual Conference of Italian Society of Law and Economics (ISLE-SIDE), Bologna, Italy, November 7-8, 2008.
- Thirteenth annual meeting of the Latin American and Iberian Law and Economics Association (ALACDE), Barcelona, Spain, June 15-16, 2009.
- Thirteenth Summer School of the Italian Association of ECSA (AUSE), Catania, Italy, October 1-3, 2009.
- Fifty Annual conference of Italian Society of Economists (SIE), Rome, Italy, October 22-24, 2009.
- Fifth Annual Conference of Italian Society of Law and Economics (ISLE-SIDE), Florence, Italy, December 4-5, 2009.
- Internal seminar – Department of Economics and Quantitative Methods, University of Catania, Catania, Italy, January 19, 2010.
- Annual Workshop of the European Master Programme in Law and Economics at the University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy, February 12, 2010.
- 27^a Annual Conference of the European Association of Law and Economics, Paris, France, September 25-27, 2010.
- Fifty-one Annual conference of Italian Society of Economists (SIE), Catania, Italy, 15-16 October 2010.
- Fifth Conference of Empirical Legal Studies, University of Yale, New Haven, USA, November 5-6, 2010.

- Sixth Annual Conference of Italian Society of Law and Economics (ISLE-SIDE), Bolzano, Italy, December 10-11, 2010.
- 28^a Annual Conference of the European Association of Law and Economics, Hamburg, Germany, September 22-24, 2011.
- Fifty-two Annual conference of Italian Society of Economists (SIE), Rome, Italy, October 14-15, 2011.
- Seventh Annual Conference of Italian Society of Law and Economics (ISLE-SIDE), Turin, Italy, December 16-17, 2011.
- 10th Annual International Industrial Organization Conference, Arlington (VA) USA, March 16-18, 2012.
- Invited seminar at University of Durham (UK), Department of Economics, April 25, 2012.
- 29^a Annual Conference of the European Association of Law and Economics, Stockholm, Sweden, September 19-21, 2012.
- Annual Meeting of Canadian Law and Economic Association, Toronto, Canada, September 28-29, 2012.
- Northwestern University, Advanced Workshop on Research Design for Causal Inference, 12-14 August, 2013;
- 69th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance, Paphos, Taormina, Italy, August 22-25, 2013.
- Annual Workshop of the European Master Programme in Law and Economics at the University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy, February 14, 2014.
- International workshop organized by prof. Giuseppe Di Vita, entitled “Economic Analysis of Litigation”, Catania, Italy, June 20-21, 2014.
- Tenth Annual Conference of Italian Society of Law and Economics (ISLE-SIDE), Rome, Italy, December 18-20, 2014.
- Invited seminar at University of Turin (IT), Department of Economics, January 30, 2015;
- 13th Annual International Industrial Organization Conference, Boston (MA) USA, April 24-26, 2015;
- International workshop organized by prof. Biagio Andò, entitled “Rule of law and global economy”, Catania, Italy, May 23, 2015;

- International workshop organized by prof. Giuseppe, entitled “Costs and Impacts of Environmental Crime”, Catania, Italy, June 18, 2015;
- International workshop organized by prof. Giuseppe Di Vita, entitled “Economic Analysis of Litigation 2”, Torino 29-30 giugno 2015;
- 32^a Annual Conference of the European Association of Law and Economics, Vienna, Austria, Settembre 17-20, 2015;
- Fifty-six Annual conference of Italian Society of Economists (SIE), Naples, Italy, October 22-24, 2015.
- International workshop organized by prof. Giuseppe Di Vita, entitled “Economic Analysis of Litigation 3”, Montpellier 29-30 giugno 2016;
- 33^a Annual Conference of the European Association of Law and Economics, Bologna, Italy, Settembre 15-17, 2016;
- Fifty-seven Annual conference of Italian Society of Economists (SIE), Milano, Italy, October 20-12, 2016;
- Twelfth Annual Conference of Italian Society of Law and Economics (ISLE-SIDE), Torino, Italy, December 16-17, 2016.
- Annual Conference of American Economic Association, Chicago (IL) USA, January 6-8, 2017.
- Invited seminar at University of Paris X (Nanterre), Department of Economics October 16, 2017.
- Fifty-eight Annual conference of Italian Society of Economists (SIE), Arcavata-Rende (CS) 19-21 october 2017.
- Fifth annual workshop “Economic Analysis of Litigation” Becerius University, Hamburg, June 15-16, 2018.
- “Economic Policies for Economic Imbalances: Institutions, Actors and Emerging Issues”, Naples September 28-29, 2018.
- “La tutela del bene della vita alla luce delle nuove regole della pubblica amministrazione: Profili di law and economics”. Catania 14 dicembre 2018.
- 45th Eastern Economic Association Annual Meetings in New York City, 28 febbraio – 2 Marzo, 2019.
- Sixth annual workshop “Economic Analysis of Litigation” University of Granada, June 24-25, 2019.

- Annual Meeting Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (SIOE), Stoccolma 27-29 giugno 2019.
- Annual Conference of American Economic Association, San Diego (CA) USA, January 3-5, 2020 (paper selezionato per la video interview: <https://www.aeaweb.org/conference/videos/2020/giuseppe-divita>)

7. Referee and consultancy activities:

- Guest Editor per *Review of Law and Economics* vol. 2/11 del 2015; Guest Editor per *European Review of Law and Economics* 2017.
- Canadian Centre for Economic Analysis, Research Foundation Flanders – FWO,

Applied Economics, B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Canadian Journal of Economics, Crime, Law and Social Change, Detritus Journal, Ecological Economics, Economics Bulletin, Economic Change and Restructuring, Economic Modelling, Energy Policy, Environmental and Resource Economics, Environment and Development Economics, Environment, Development and Sustainability; Economic Systems, European Journal of Law and Economics, European Journal of Operational Research, Global Journal of Economics and Finance, Global Journal of Library and Information Sciences, International Journal of Environment and Pollution, International Journal of Global Environmental Issues, International Journal of Global Energy Issues, International Journal of Economics and Finance, International Journal of Technological Learning, Innovation and Development, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of Intellectual Property Rights, International Review of Applied Economics, International Review of Law and Economics, Journal of Agricultural Resources Governance and Ecology, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Economics, Journal of Economic Studies, Journal of Environmental Management, Journal of Institutional Economics, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Journal of Intellectual Property Rights, Journal of Political Science and International Relations, Natural Resource Modelling Journal, Papers in Regional Science, Polish Journal of Environmental Studies, Journal of Socio-Economics, Public Choice, Public Finance Review, Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance, Resources and Energy Economics,

Resources Policy, Review of Law and Economics, Routledge Ltd, Social Sciences and Humanities
Research Council of Canada, Southern Economic Journal, Technology Transfer and
Entrepreneurship, The Journal of International Trade & Economic Development, Waste
Management, Working Paper Series of Banco de España.

Catania, March 26th, 2022.

Prof. Giuseppe Di Vita