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Academic Career

- Since 2023 Vice-PI and Coordinator of research unit - National MIUR-funded project PRIN 2022 (2022EPTPJ9) "WEMB: Word Embeddings from Cognitive Linguistics to Language Engineering and back".
- Since 2023 PI EU-funded project "Abstraction: Unlocking meaning from experience through language" (ERC-2021-STG-101039777)
- Since 2022 Associate professor (tenure) in Linguistics, University of Bologna, Italy.
- 2019 Maternity leave
- 2019-2022 Assistant professor (tenure-track) in Linguistics, University of Bologna, Italy.
- 2018-2019 Junior Research Fellow - Jesus College, University of Oxford, UK.
- 2017-2019 Associate researcher (postdoc), University of Oxford, UK.
- 2015-2017 EU Marie Curie fellow (postdoc), University of Amsterdam, NL.
- 2014 Maternity leave
- 2013-2014 Researcher (6 months, postdoc), VU University Amsterdam, NL.
- 2008-2011 Dottorato in Linguistica, Università di Torino.
- 2004-2007 Laurea magistrale in Linguistica presso Università di Pavia.
- 1999-2003 Laurea triennale in Lingue e Letterature Straniere presso Università di Pisa.

Institutional roles (in the past 8 years)

- Since 2022 Member of Doctoral council (Collegio di Dottorato) at the Dep. Modern Languages, University of Bologna, Italy.
- Since 2020 Member of Quality committee for undergrad course degree LLS, UniBo.
- 2020-2022 Responsible for Department written exams calendar, LILEC, UniBo.
- Since 2019 Member of Experimental Lab at Dep Modern Languages, UniBo.
- Since 2019 Member of Outreach Committee, Dep. Modern Languages, UniBo (Commissione Terza Missione LILEC, UniBo).
- 2018-2022 Member of Executive Committee - RaAM Research & Applying Metaphor International Association.
- 2015-2022 Coordinator of research area Metaphor and Multimodality - Metaphor Lab Amsterdam, University of Amsterdam, NL.

Fundings and awards

Since 2023	PRIN 2022 (2022EPTPJ9) "WEMB: Word Embeddings from Cognitive Linguistics to Language Engineering and back" ~ 53000 EUR
Since 2022	ERC Starting Grant (ERC-2021-STG-101039777) "Abstraction. Unlocking meaning from experience through language" ~ 1.4 million EUR
2019	Jesus College Major Grant Scheme Funds ~ 3000 EUR
2015-2017	EU Marie Curie research fellowship (IEF) ~ 187000 EUR
2016	KNAW Royal Dutch Academy of Science symposium grant - 3200 EUR
2016	ABC Amsterdam Brain and Cognition symposium grant - 2500 EUR
2016	Network Institute Amsterdam symposium sponsorship - 500
2014	Network Institute Amsterdam research sponsorship - 2000 EUR
2013	Network Institute travel grant - 1000 EUR
2008-2011	PhD fellowship - University of Torino, Italy ~ 36000 EUR
2009	National Ministry of Research (MIUR) contribution to visiting fellowship abroad (spent at UCL London, UK) - 1500 EUR
2006	Felloswhip EDiSU (Universität Konstanz, Germany) -1500 EUR
2005-2006	European Commission Erasmus scholarship ~ 1200 EUR
2005	EILC European Commission scholarship, Jagellonsky University, Krakow -500 EUR

Institutional Teaching

2023-2024	69704 - LINGUE E LINGUAGGIO (LM) – Graduate course 30 hours
2023-2024	69318 - LINGUISTICA GENERALE (D) – Undergraduate course 60 hours
2022-2023	69704 - LINGUE E LINGUAGGIO (LM) – Graduate course 30 hours
2022-2023	69318 - LINGUISTICA GENERALE (D) – Undergraduate course 60 hours
2021-2022	69318 - LINGUISTICA GENERALE (C) – Undergraduate course 60 hours
2021-2022	69318 - LINGUISTICA GENERALE (D) – Undergraduate course 60 hours
2020-2021	69318 - LINGUISTICA GENERALE (C) – Undergraduate course 60 hours
2020-2021	69318 - LINGUISTICA GENERALE (D) – Undergraduate course 60 hours
2019-2020	31358 - LINGUISTICA GENERALE 2 - Undergraduate course 60 hours

Special Teaching

2022-2023	Doctoral seminar: Università di Pavia, PhD in Language Sciences
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- 2020-2021 Teaching/Supervision of Internships (3 interns, for 225 hours each) at Experimental Lab, UniBo.
- 2018-2019 Group leader (teacher) at Postgraduate Summer School "Empirical Methods in Cognitive Linguistics", University of Tartu, Estonia (40 hours)
- 2016-2017 Teacher at Postgraduate Winter School "Methods for Metaphor Identification and Analysis", University of Amsterdam (20 hours)

Supervision

- 2024 Committee member, PhD thesis, UvA University Amsterdam
- Dunja Wakkers, Linguistics, Language and Communication.
- 2023-ongoing Supervisor 1 Research Assistant in Linguistics, (PRIN2022-related) Università di Bologna, Italy.
- 2023-ongoing Supervisor 1 Postdoc in Computational Linguistics, (ERC-related) Università di Bologna, Italy (Dr. Andrea Ravelli).
- 2022-ongoing Supervisor 1 Postdoc in Psychology, (ERC-related) Università di Bologna, Italy (Dr. Caterina Villani).
- 2022-ongoing Supervisor 1 Postdoc in Computational Linguistics, (ERC-related) Università di Bologna, Italy (Dr. Giulia Rambelli).
- 2019-2024 Co-supervisor 1 PhD student in Linguistics, University of Amsterdam, NL.
- Jie Fu, Linguistics and Communication Studies
- 2022-2023 Supervisor 1 Research Assistant in Digital Humanities, (ERC-related) Università di Bologna (Ms. Francesca Genovese).
- 2022-ongoing Supervisor 2 PhD students in Linguistics (ERC-related), Università di Bologna.
- Claudia Collacciani, ERC proj.
- Tommaso Lamarra, ERC proj.
- 2022-2023 Supervisor 5 undergrad theses (UniBo)
Supervisor 2 grad theses (UniBo)
- 2021-2022 Supervisor 2 undergrad theses (UniBo)
Supervisor 1 grad thesis (UniBo)
- 2020-2021 Supervisor 5 undergrad theses (UniBo)
Supervisor 1 grad thesis (UniBo)
Supervisor 4 grad theses MA Applied Linguistics (Distance Learning), University of Birmingham, UK.
- 2019-2020 Supervisor 1 undergrad thesis (UniBo):
- 2019-2020 Committee member, PhD thesis, Ca' Foscari University, Venice, Italy.
- Alessandro Cavazzana, Philosophy and Education.
- 2018-2019 Tutor (external advisor) PhD thesis, visiting at Oxford University
- Alessandro Cavazzana, Philosophy and Education.
- 2017-2018 Tutor (external advisor) PhD thesis, visiting at Metaphor Geeks Lab, Siena, Italy.
- Lorena Bort Mir, Linguistics.

- 2017-2018 Committee member, PhD thesis, University Paris 8, FR.
 - Geoffrey Ventalon, Cognitive Psychology
- 2016-2017 Committee member, PhD thesis, VU University Amsterdam.
 - Floor De Groot, Cognitive Psychology
- 2015-2016 Committee member, PhD thesis, VU University Amsterdam.
 - Patricia Pineda, Linguistics

Participation and Leading roles in Research Groups

- Since 2023 WEMB group (PRIN). Role: Vice-PI and Coordinator of research unit.
- Since 2022 ABSTRACTION group (ERC). Role: PI (<https://site.unibo.it/abstraction/en>)
- Since 2020 CIRM Inter-University Research center for Metaphor Studies. Role: member
- Since 2019 Experimental Lab, LILEC, UniBo. Role: member
- 2015-2022 Metaphor Lab Amsterdam, NL. Role: Research area coordinator
- 2017-2019 Creative Multilingualism (UK Arts & Humanities Research Council). Role: associate researcher.
- 2015-2017 CogVIM (Cognitive Grounding of Visual Metaphor); University of Amsterdam.
 Role: Coordinator and Marie Curie fellow.

Publications (in the past 6 years)

As editor:

1. Bolognesi M., Steen G. (Eds.) (2019). *Perspectives on abstract concepts: From cognitive processing to semantic representation*. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company.
2. Bolognesi M., Despot K., Brdar M. (Eds.) (2019). *Metaphor and Metonymy in the Digital Age. Building Repositories of Figurative Language: Methods, Risks, and Challenges*. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company.
3. Bolognesi M., Steen G. (Eds.) (2018). *Abstract concepts: Structure, processing and modeling. Special Issue of TopiCS in Cognitive Science*, 10 (3).

As author:

Books

1. Littlemore, J., Bolognesi, M., Leung, D., Julich, N., & Sobrino, P. (2023). *Metaphor, metonymy, the body and the environment: An exploration of the factors that shape emotion-colour associations and their variation across cultures*. Cambridge Elements in Cognitive Linguistics, Cambridge University Press, UK.
2. Bolognesi, M., Werkmann Horvat, A. (2022). *The Metaphor Compass*. London: Routledge.
3. Bolognesi, M. (2020). *Where Words Get Their Meaning. Cognitive processing and distributional modelling of word meaning in first and second language*. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company.

4. Genovese, F., Bolognesi, M., Di Iorio, A., & Vitali, F. (2024). The advantages of gamification for collecting linguistic data: A case study using Word Ladders. *Online Journal of Communication and Media Technologies*, 14:2(2024), pp. e202426.1
5. Villani, C., Loia, A., Bolognesi, M. (online first). The semantic content of concrete, abstract, specific, and generic concepts. *Language and Cognition*.
6. Bolognesi, M., Combei, R., La Pietra, M., Masini, F. (online first) What makes an awfully good oxymoron? *Language and Cognition*.
7. Roberts, I., and Bolognesi, M. (2023). When does metaphorical language influence emotions and reasoning about the COVID-19 pandemic? *Metaphor & Symbol* 39 (1):55-74.
8. Werkmann Horvat, A., Bolognesi, M., & Althaus, N. (2023). Attention to the source domain of conventional metaphorical expressions: Evidence from an eye tracking study. *Journal of Pragmatics*, 215, 131-144.
9. Stampoulidis, G., & Bolognesi, M. (2023). Bringing metaphors back to the streets: A corpus-based study for the identification and interpretation of rhetorical figures in street art. *Visual Communication* 22 (2), 243-277.
10. Bolognesi, M. M., & Caselli, T. (2023). Specificity ratings for Italian data. *Behavior research methods*, 55, 3531-3548.
11. Bort-Mir, L. and Bolognesi, M. (2022). Reliability in the identification of metaphors in (filmic) multimodal communication. *Multimodal Communication*, 11 (3), 187-201. <https://doi.org/10.1515/mc-2021-0022>
12. Werkmann Horvat, A., Bolognesi, M., Littlemore, J., & Barnden, J. (2022). Comprehension of different types of novel metaphors in monolinguals and multilinguals. *Language & Cognition* 14(3), 401-436.
13. Werkmann Horvat, A., Bolognesi, M., & Kohl, K. (2021). On the status of conventional metaphorical meaning in the L2 lexicon. *Intercultural Pragmatics*, 18 (4), 447-467.
14. Werkmann Horvat, A., Bolognesi, M., & Kohl, K. (2021). Creativity is a toaster: Experimental evidence on how monolinguals vs. multilinguals process novel metaphors. *Applied Linguistics*, 42 (5), 823-847.
15. Strik Lievers, F., Bolognesi, M., & Winter, B. (2021). The linguistic dimensions of concrete and abstract concepts: lexical category, morphological structure, countability, and etymology. *Cognitive Linguistics*, 32(4), 641-670.
16. Werkmann Horvat, A., Bolognesi, M., & Lahiri, A. (2021). Processing of literal and metaphorical meanings in polysemous verbs: An experiment and its methodological importance. *Journal of Pragmatics* 171, 131-146.
17. Wicke, P. & Bolognesi, M. (2021). Covid-19 discourse on Twitter: How the topics, sentiments, subjectivity and figurative frames changed over time. *Frontiers in Communication*, 6, 1-45,
18. Bort Mir, L., Bolognesi, M., & Ghaffaryan, S. (2020). Cross-cultural interpretation of filmic metaphors: A think-aloud experiment. *Intercultural Pragmatics* 17(4), 389-416.
19. Wicke, P. & Bolognesi, M. (2020). Framing COVID-19 How we conceptualize and discuss the pandemic on Twitter. *PLoS ONE* 15(9): e0240010
20. Wicke, P., & Bolognesi, M. (2020). Emoji-based semantic representations for abstract and concrete concepts. *Cognitive Processing*, 21, 4, 615-635.

21. Bolognesi, M., Burgers, C., & Caselli, T. (2020). On Abstraction: Decoupling conceptual concreteness and categorical specificity. *Cognitive Processing*, 21, 365–381.
22. Vivas, L., Montefinese, M., Bolognesi, M., & Vivas, G. (2020). Core features: measures and characterization for different languages. *Cognitive Processing* 21, 4, 651-667.
23. Cavazzana, A., & Bolognesi, M. (2020). Uncanny Resemblance. Words, pictures, and conceptual representations in the field of metaphor. *Cognitive Linguistic Studies*, 7(1): 31-57.
24. Bolognesi M., & Strik Lievers F. (2020). How language and image construct synaesthetic metaphors in print advertising. *Visual Communication*. 19,4, 431-457.
25. Poppi, F., Bolognesi, & M., Oija, A. (2020). Metaphorical conceptualization of pictorial artworks within a participant-based framework. *Semiotica 236-237*: 349-376.
26. Reijnierse G., Burgers C., Bolognesi, M., & Krennmayr T. (2019). How Polysemy Affects Concreteness Ratings: The Case of Metaphor. *Cognitive Science* 43, 8, e12779.
27. Bolognesi, M. (2019). Il linguaggio figurato nella comunicazione multimodale. Il genere pubblicitario e la campagna sociale [Figurative language in multimodal communication. Insights from the genres of advertising and social campaigns]. *Ricognizioni*, 6(12).
28. Bolognesi, M., & Vernillo, P. (2019). How abstract concepts emerge from metaphorical images: The metonymic way. *Language and Communication* 69, 26-41.
29. Stampoulidis, G., Bolognesi, M., & Zlatev, J. (2019). A Cognitive Semiotic Exploration of Metaphors in Greek Street Art. *Cognitive Semiotics* 12, 1.
30. Bolognesi M., & Aina L. (2019). Similarity is Closeness: Using Distributional Semantic Spaces to model Similarity in Visual and Linguistic Metaphors. *Corpus Linguistics and Linguistic Theory* 15(1), 101-138.
31. Bolognesi M., & Steen G. (2018). Editors' Introduction: Abstract concepts: Structure, processing and modeling. *TopiCS in Cognitive Science*, 10 (3), 490-500.
32. Bolognesi M., Pilgram R., & Van den Heerik R. (2017). Reliability in content analysis: the case of semantic features norms. *Behavior Research Methods*, 49(6), 1984–2001.
33. Bolognesi M. (2017). Using semantic features norms to investigate how the visual and verbal modes afford metaphor construction and expression. *Language and Cognition*, 9(3), 525-552.
34. Bolognesi M. (2016). Modeling semantic similarity between metaphor terms of visual vs linguistic metaphors through Flickr tag distributions. *Frontiers in Communication*, 1:9.

Invited book reviews

35. Bolognesi, M. (2019). Book Review of Perception Metaphors, edited by Laura J. Speed, Carolyn O'Meara, Lila San Roque and Asifa Majid. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishers. *Journal of Pragmatics* 155, 160-162.
36. Bolognesi, M. (2018). Book Review of Multimodal Metaphor and Metonymy in Advertising – by Paula Perez Sobrino. John Benjamins Publishing Company. *Language and Cognition*, 10, 3, 552-559.

Book chapters

37. Bolognesi, M. (2022). Metaphors in Intercultural Communication. In I. Kecskes (Ed.), *The Cambridge Handbook of Intercultural Pragmatics* (pp. 216-244). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
38. Kohl, K., Bolognesi, M., & Werkmann Horvat, A. (2020). The creative power of metaphor. In Katrin Kohl et al. (eds). *Creative Multilingualism. A manifesto*. Cambridge, UK: Open Books Publishers, pp. 25-46.
39. Bolognesi M., Timmermans B., & Aroyo L. (2019). VisMet and the crowd: What does social tagging reveal about visual metaphors? In M. Bolognesi, M. Brdar, K. Despot (Eds.) *Metaphor and Metonymy in the Digital Age. Building Repositories of Figurative Language*: Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company, pp. 99-121.
40. Bolognesi M., & Despot, K. (2019). Editors' Introduction to *Metaphor and Metonymy in the Digital Age. Building Repositories of Figurative Language*:. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company, pp. 1-19.
41. Bolognesi M., & Steen G. (2019). Editors' Introduction. In M. Bolognesi, G. Steen (Eds.) *Perspectives on abstract concepts: From cognitive processing to semantic representation*. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company, pp. 1-13.
42. Bolognesi, M. Van den Heerik R., & Van den Berg E. (2018). VisMet: a corpus of visual metaphors. In G. Steen (ed.) *Visual Metaphor: structure and process*. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishers, pp. 89-114.
43. Bolognesi M. (2017). Grammatica visiva e apprendimento: aspetti semiotici delle vignette di Valico e trasposizione verbale nelle descrizioni di anglofoni. In E. Corino, C. Onesti (eds.) *Italiano di Apprendenti. Studi a partire da Valico e Vinca*. Roma: Guerra, pp.21-40.
44. Bolognesi M. (2017). Conceptual metaphors and metaphorical expressions in images. In A. Baicchi, E. Pinelli (eds.) *Cognitive modelling in language and discourse across cultures*, Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, pp. 367-383.
45. Bolognesi M. (2017). Flickr Distributional TagSpace: Evaluating the Semantic Spaces emerging from Flickr Tags Distributions. In M. Jones (ed.) *Big Data in Cognitive Science*. New York: Routledge, pp. 144-173.
46. Bolognesi M. (2016). Metaphors, bilingual mental lexicon and distributional models. In E. Gola, F. Ervas (eds.) *Metaphor and Communication*. Benjamin Publishing Company, Amsterdam, pp.105-122.

Conference proceedings

47. Rambelli, G., Bolognesi, M. (2023). Contextual Variability depends on Categorical Specificity rather than Conceptual Concreteness: A Distributional Investigation on Italian data. *Selected papers (proceedings) of IWCS 2023, International Workshop in Computational Semantics*, Nancy, France.
48. Bolognesi, M. (2019). How do words vs. images construct and represent metaphor. *CEUR Workshop Proceedings, Vol. 2347/1. Proceedings of Tricolore conference 2018: Creativity, Cognition, Computation*, Bolzano, Italy.

Outreach

49. Bolognesi, M. (2021). *Metafore: vive, morte o x. Linguisticamente.*
50. Bolognesi, M. (2018). How language shapes your thoughts – what researchers know. *The Conversation*, UK.
51. Bolognesi, M., & Strik Lievers, F. (2018). The coded images that let advertisers target all our senses at once. *The Conversation*, UK.

Organization of scientific events (in the past 6 years)

- 2023 Program Committee - *StarSem, The Eleventh Joint Conference on Lexical and Computational Semantics*. Toronto, Canada, July.
- 2023 Scientific Committee – *14th RaAM Conference*, Alcalà de Henares, Spain, June.
- 2023 Seminars with international invited speakers – ABSTRACTION project (spring) : <https://site.unibo.it/abstraction/it/eventi>
- 2022 Program Committee – *StarSem The Tenth Joint Conference on Lexical and Computational Semantics*. Seattle, USA, July.
- 2021 Seminars with international invited speakers at Experimental Lab Lilec - *Language processing and generation meets AI: methods, applications, open challenges*, UniBo september/december.
- 2021 Organizing committee - *LILEC Summer School 2021 Catching Language Data*, Università di Bologna, June.
- 2021 Scientific Committee – *13th RaAM Conference*, Vilnius, Lituania, June.
- 2021 Scientific Committee – *6th MedCom conference 2021. Media and mass communication. Communication and cultural change*. Università di Cagliari, September.
- 2020 Program Committee – *StarSem 2020: The Ninth Joint Conference on Lexical and Computational Semantics*. Barcelona, Spain, December.
- 2020 Program committee – *CLiC-it 7th Italian conference of Computational Linguistics*, Bologna, November.
- 2020 Program Committee - *7th UK Cognitive Linguistics Association Conference*. University of Birmingham, UK, July.
- 2020 Scientific Committee - *13th RaAM Conference*, Hamar, Norway, June.
- 2020 Program Committee – *StarSem 20219 The Ninth Joint Conference on Lexical and Computational Semantics*. Minneapolis, USA.
- 2019 Organizer and co-chair – *The Creative Power of Metaphor* international conference, University of Oxford, UK, March.
- 2019 Program Committee – *CLiC-it 6th Italian conference of Computational Linguistics*, Bari, Italy.
- 2019 Organizing Committee - *Performing Languages 2019*, Birmingham City University, UK, february.
- 2018 Scientific committee – *Metaphor Festival 2018 international conference*, UvA University Amsterdam, NL, August.
- 2018 Organizer and chair: *Metaphor, Emotion, and Multilingualism*. Seminar with international invited speaker. University of Oxford, UK, May.

- 2018 Organizer and chair: *Sweet voice and round taste: Cross-sensory metaphors and linguistic variability*. Knowledge exchange seminar with international keynote speaker. University of Oxford, UK, May.
- 2018 Organizer and chair: *Figurative Frames in Political Communication*. Seminar with international invited speaker. University of Oxford, UK, May.
- 2018 Organizer and chair: *Metaphors, Linguistic Diversity and Foreign Language Learning*. Seminar with international invited speaker, University of Oxford, UK, May.
- 2018 Scientific Committee – *RaAM 12 Researching and Applying Metaphor*. Polytechnic University Hong Kong, HK, June.
- 2017 Scientific Committee- *AISC 2017 Associazione Italiana Scienze Cognitive*, Bologna, December.
- 2017 Organizing Committee – *Brain Day 2017, ABC- Amsterdam Brain and Cognition*, UvA University, Amsterdam NL, June.
- 2017 Program Committee - *CREOL@JOWO2017* (Contextual Representation of Objects and Events in Language), Università di Bolzano, September.
- 2017 Program Committee - *Metaphor Festival 2017 international conference*. UvA University Amsterdam, NL, August.
- 2016 Organizer and chair: *Abstract Concepts: Structure, processing and modeling. International Symposium and Debate*, UvA University Amsterdam, NL, November.
- 2016 Organizing committee - *Metaphor Festival 2016 international conference*, UvA University Amsterdam, NL, August.

Invited lectures (in the past 6 years)

- 2023 Invited Speaker – Abstraction: first year’s scientific outputs. ACLC seminars, UvA Amsterdam, December 2023
- 2023 Keynote speaker – International conference *CompCog 23*, University of Trento, Italy, febbraio 2023.
- 2022 Invited speaker (seminar) at Faculty of Education and Humanities, in collaboration with “Reggio Children” foundation. Reggio Emilia, IT, October 2022.
- 2022 Keynote speaker – International conference CIRM 2022: Metaphor in digital communication, University of Modena, Italy, ottobre 2022
- 2022 Keynote speaker – Convegno *Linguaggio e Conoscenza: Prospettive per lo studio della mente*. Università di Messina, Italy, ottobre 2022.
- 2022 Keynote speaker – International symposium *Exploring the pitfalls and promises of metaphor use in communication with low-literate audiences*, Radboud University, NL, settembre 2022.
- 2021 Keynote speaker - International conference *Neuromania*, University of Torun, Poland, novembre 2021.
- 2021 Plenary speaker - International conference *The building blocks of information transfer in language processing*, Zagreb, Croazia, ottobre 2021.

- 2021 Keynote speaker - *Croatian Applied Linguistics Society 35th conference. Language in the Digital Environment*. Osijek, Croatia, settembre 2021.
- 2020 Plenary speaker presso *CARLA2020: Concepts in Action: Representation, Learning and Application*. University of Bolzano, Italy (virtual). settembre 2020.
- 2020 Keynote speaker to *13th RaAM Conference*, Hamar, Norway, (virtual) giugno 2020.
- 2020 CIRM seminars *Research at the Metaphor Lab – Metaphor and Multimodality*, January 2020.
- 2019 Invited speaker Workshop “Fantastic Visual Metaphors and where to find them: An introduction to the identification of visual metaphors” – *7th specialised RaAM seminar* in Liège, Belgium, Maggio 2019.
- 2018 Keynote speaker – *Tricolore 2018: Creativity, Cognition, Computation*, Università di Bolzano, Italy, dicembre 2018.
- 2018 Keynote speaker – *5th International Conference Metaphor and Discourse*, University Jaume I, Spain, novembre 2018.
- 2017 Plenary speaker – *Intertext and Intermedia international conference*, Università di Torino, IT, novembre 2017.
- 2017 Invited speaker Workshop *High concepts Low downs*. Workshop at University College Dublin, Ireland, Creative Language System Group, Fac. Computer Sciences, marzo 2017.
- 2016 Invited speaker OAP (Senior Researchers Day, at ACLC, UvA University, Amsterdam, december 2016.
- 2016 Plenary Speaker - *Symposium Building Figurative Language Repositories: Methods, Risks and Challenges*. Zagreb, Croatia, maggio 2016.
- 2016 Invited speaker seminar CompSem Lab, Computer Science Dep., University of Colorado, USA, gennaio 2016.
- 2016 Plenary Speaker *Better write it or draw it?* Academy for text and image, Amsterdam, giugno 2016.
- 2016 Invited speaker seminar *COGVIM project: First Results*. Metaphor Lab Amsterdam Research colloquia, April 2016.

Invited seminars for postgraduates (in the past 6 years)

- 2023 Lecturer at WinterSchool *LEDS2023 - Legal Design*, Università di Bologna, March.
- 2023 Lecturer at PhD conference *Multimodalità: prospettive interdisciplinari tra letteratura e linguistica*, February.
- 2022 Lecturer at *ERC- Consolidator INSCRIBE seminars “SCRIBO”*, Dip. FICLIT, Università di Bologna, May.
- 2022 Lecturer at *Discourse and Text Research Group*, Lancaster University, UK, March.
- 2022 Lecturer at *Body, Language, Action Lab*, University of Rome Sapienza, March.
- 2022 Lecturer at *University of Wisconsin Madison (Psych 521: The Structure of Human Thought: Concepts, Language and Culture*, prof. Gary Lupyan), March.
- 2022 Lecturer at *Metaphor Lab Amsterdam*, March.

- 2021 Lecturer at *MA program excellence track in Linguistics*, seminar at University of Firenze, Italy, May.
- 2021 Lecturer at *IANUA - ISSUGE Scuola Superiore dell'Università di Genova Winter school Critical Thinking*, February.
- 2021 Lecturer at *Loránd Eötvös University, Hungary*. February.
- 2021 Lecturer at *The Bremen-Groningen Online Workshops on Multimodality*. Bremen University. January.
- 2021 Lecturer at *International Multimodal Communication Centre*. University of Oxford. January.
- 2020 Lecturer at *IANUA - ISSUGE Scuola Superiore dell'Università di Genova Winter school Critical Thinking*, february.
- 2019 Lecturer and Group Leader at *EMCL 2019 (Empirical Methods in Cognitive Linguistics Summer School)* Tartu, Estonia, July.
- 2017 Lecturer at *Lund University, Dep. Cognitive Semiotics*, Sweden, November.
- 2017 Lecturer at *University of Birmingham, UK*, settembre 2017.
- 2017 Lecturer at – *Metaphors of the mind, international workshop and round table*, ISR Rome, Italy, May.
- 2017 Lecturer at *University of Stuttgart, Germany, Institute for Natural Language Processing*, May.
- 2017 Lecturer at *Università di Pisa, Computational Linguistics Lab*, May.
- 2017 Lecturer at *Università di Bologna, Dip. Filosofia e Comunicazione*, April.
- 2017 Relatrice su invito per seminario presso LABLITA Lab Università di Firenze, Italy, febbraio 2017.

Conference presentations (in the past 6 years)

- 2023 *Attention to the source domain of conventional metaphorical expressions: Evidence from an eye-tracking study.*
RaAM conference, Alcala de Henares, Spain, June.
- 2022 *Visual and linguistic synaesthetic metaphors in print advertising: an experimental study*
15th International conference.
RaAM. Bialystok, Poland, September.
- 2022 *Comprehension of different types of novel metaphors in monolinguals and multilinguals*
15th International conference RaAM. Bialystok, Poland, September.
- 2022 *What makes an awefully good oxymoron?*
6th International Conference on Figurative Thought and Language Poznań, Poland, April.
- 2020 *Concreteness and Specificity for AI.*
AAAI Fall Symposium Series on Conceptual Abstraction and Analogy in Natural and Artificial Systems. Santa Fe, USA, November.
- 2020 *The linguistic dimensions of abstract concepts.*
UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference, UK CLC, July.
- 2020 *Creativity is a toaster: Experimental evidence on how monolinguals vs. multilinguals process novel metaphors.*
UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference, UK CLC, July.

- 2020 *'That's some passionate-ass blue!'* Feeling-colour associations across languages. UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference, UK CLC, July.
- 2019 *Demolishing walls and myths: Cognitive salience of literal and metaphorical meanings in L1 and L2 speakers.* Conference on Multilingualism, Leiden, NL, September.
- 2019 *Demolishing walls and myths: Cognitive salience of literal and metaphorical meanings in L1 and L2 speakers.* Metaphor Festival 2019, Amsterdam, NL, August.
- 2018 *Taking Metaphors back on the Streets: The case of Greek Street Art* 4th International Conference on Figurative Thought and Language, Braga, PT, October.
- 2018 *Selling the untouchable: how are abstract concepts represented in visual metaphors.* Metaphor Festival 2018, Amsterdam, NL, August.
- 2018 *A method for metaphor identification in moving pictures.* Metaphor Festival, Amsterdam, NL, August.
- 2017 *Concreteness ratings meet Metaphoricity.* Metaphor Festival 2017, Amsterdam, NL, August.
- 2017 *Concreteness ratings meet Metaphoricity.* ICLC International Cognitive Linguistics Conference, Tartu, ESTONIA, July.
- 2017 *Flickr Distributional Tagspace: Modeling the semantic information encoded in Flickr tags.* International Conference on Multimodal Communication: Developing New Theories and Methods, Osnabruek, DE, July.
- 2017 *Concreteness ratings meet Metaphoricity.* SALC 6, Scandinavian Association for Language and Cognition Conference, Lund, SWEDEN, April.
- 2016 *Visual synaesthesia in print advertising.* Perception Metaphor 2016. Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen, NL, November.
- 2016 *Similarity is Closeness: Distributional Semantic Spaces, Visual and Linguistic Metaphors.* Metaphor Festival 2016, Amsterdam, Netherlands, August.
- 2016 *Exploring visual synaesthesia in print advertising.* Metaphor Festival 2016, Amsterdam, Netherlands, August.
- 2016 *Metaphor similarity in visual vs verbal metaphors through semantic features norms.* 6th UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference, Bangor UK, July.
- 2016 *Visual Metaphor: an online corpus and a model of analysis.* RaAM 11 Researching and Applying Metaphor international conference, Berlin, Germany, July.

Editorial roles

- Dal 2023 General Editor: *Language and Cognition* (Cambridge University Press).
- Dal 2020 Review Editor: *Frontiers in Psychology; Frontiers in Communication.*
- Dal 2020 Book Review Editor : *Metaphor and Symbol.*
- Dal 2020 Member of Editorial Board: *Metaphor in Language, Cognition, Communication* (Benjamins Publishers).
- Dal 2019 Reviewer e member of editorial board: *CLUB Working Papers in Linguistics*
- 2017-2018 Topic Editor, *Topics in Cognitive Science* international journal.

Dal 2011 Revisor:
Applied Linguistics
Applied Ontology
Applied Psycholinguistics
Behavior Research Methods
Cognitive Linguistics
Cognitive Processing
Frontiers in Psychology
Intercultural Pragmatics
Journal of Pragmatics
Language and Cognition
Memory and Cognition
Metaphor and Symbol
PLOS
Visual Cognition
Visual Communication

Member of Scientific Societies (negli ultimi 6 anni)

Since 2023 AILC Italian Association for Computational Linguistics
2021-2022 APA Society (American Psych. Association).
2020-2021 Cognitive Science Society.
2018-2020 BAAL (British Association of Applied Linguistics).
2017-2019 Psychonomic Society, USA.
Dal 2019 CLUB, Università di Bologna.
Dal 2017 SALC (Scandinavian Association for Language and Cognition).
Dal 2016 UK-CLA (UK Cognitive Linguistics Association).
Dal 2016 RaAM (International Research and Applied Metaphor Association).
Dal 2016 Language and Mind Research Network, University of Edinburgh.