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## ***Current Appointments***

- December 2009 – Present: Associate Professor with Aggregation, Universidade Católica Portuguesa (Porto)
- September 2007 – Present: Senior Economist (part-time), Autoridade da Concorrência
- October 2004 – Present: Research Affiliate, C.E.P.R. (Centre for Economic Policy Research)

## ***Past Appointments***

- September 2007 – December 2009: Associate Professor, Universidade Católica Portuguesa (Porto)
- September 2006-July 2007: Visiting Fellow, European University Institute (Florence)
- September 2003-August 2007: Assistant Professor, Università Bocconi (Milan)
- September 2003-August 2007: Research Affiliate, IGIER (Innocenzo Gasparini Institute for Economic Research)

## ***Research Interests***

- Industrial Organization
- Competition Policy (Antitrust Policy)
- Game Theory

## ***Education***

- UNIVERSIDADE CATÓLICA PORTUGUESA, December 2009
  - “Provas de Agregação” in Economics
- UNIVERSITY OF TOULOUSE, *Institut D’Economie Industrielle* (IDEI), France, 2002 – 2003.
  - Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship
- EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE, Department of Economics, Florence, Italy, 1998 – 2002
  - Ph.D. in Economics
  - Thesis Title: “Three Essays on Collusion and Mergers”
  - Supervisors: Prof. Massimo Motta, Prof. Pierpaolo Battigalli (second advisor)
  - Examining Board: Prof. John Sutton, Prof. Massimo Motta, Prof. Pierpaolo Battigalli, Prof. Luís Cabral, Prof. Karl Schlag
- LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE, Department of Economics, London, U.K., Winter 2001
  - Visiting Research Student (ERASMUS programme)
  - Supervisor: Prof. John Sutton
- FACULTY OF ECONOMICS OF PORTO UNIVERSITY, Porto, Portugal, 1996 - 1998
  - Masters degree in Economics (Distinction, “Muito Bom”)
  - Dissertation: “On the Effects of Subsidies and Information Asymmetries on the Internationalisation Strategies of Multinational Firms”
  - Supervisor: Prof. António Brandão
- FACULTY OF ECONOMICS OF PORTO UNIVERSITY, Porto, Portugal, 1990 – 1995
  - First Degree in Economics

## ***Languages***

- Portuguese (mother tongue), English, Italian.

## ***Awards, Honours and Grants***

- Ministry of Science and Technology – Foundation for Science and Technology, Portugal: Research Funding (1/1/2010-31/12/2012); Project Title: “Models in Antitrust Economics”.
- “The Paul Geroski Best Article” Prize for the best paper published in 2006 in the *International Journal of Industrial Organization*.

- *Indennità di eccellenza nella ricerca*, Università Bocconi, 2006.
- “Young Economist Prize”, 32<sup>nd</sup> Conference of the European Association of Research in Industrial Economics, Porto (September 2005).
- Industrial Organization Society, Best Article by a Younger Scholar in the *Review of Industrial Organization* for 2004.
- Ministry of Science and Technology – Foundation for Science and Technology, Portugal: Post-Doctoral Research Scholarship, 2002 – 2003.
- ERASMUS grant for the exchange at the London School of Economics and Political Science, 2001.
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Portugal: Scholarship for the Ph.D. program at the European University Institute, Florence, Italy, 1998 – 2000.
- Ministry of Science and Technology – Foundation for Science and Technology, Portugal: Scholarship for the Ph.D. program at the European University Institute, Florence, Italy, 1998 – 2002.

### ***Supervision***

- 2004 – 2007: Ph.D Thesis of Eileen Fumagalli (Università Bocconi).
- 2005 – 2008: Masters Thesis of Mariana Costa (Universidade Católica Portuguesa).
- 2007 – Present: Co-Supervisor of Doctoral Research by Margarita Carvalho (Universidade do Minho)

### ***Doctoral Juries***

- 2005/10/21: Arguing member of Jury of Doctoral Thesis by António Marques, Faculdade de Economia do Porto.
- 2008/04/01: Arguing member of Jury of Doctoral Thesis by João Vareda, Universidade Nova de Lisboa.

### ***Publications***

- “Efficiency Gains and Structural Remedies in Merger Control”, *Journal of Industrial Economics*, Forthcoming.
- “Sequential Cross-Border Mergers” (with Eileen Fumagalli), *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, Vol. 27, Issue 2, March 2009, pp. 175-187.
- “Sustaining Collusion in Growing Markets”, *Journal of Economics & Management Strategy*, Vol. 17, No. 4, Winter 2008, pp. 973-1010.
- “Merger Remedies in the EU: An Overview” (with Massimo Motta and Michele Polo), *Antitrust Bulletin*, Vol. 52, Nos. 3 & 4, Fall-Winter 2007, pp. 603-631.

- “Endogenous Mergers in Endogenous Sunk Cost Industries”, *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, March 2006, Vol. 24, Issue 2, pp. 227-250.
- “Efficiency Gains and Myopic Antitrust Authority in a Dynamic Merger Game” (with Massimo Motta), *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, December 2005, Vol. 23, Issues 9-10, pp. 777-801.
- “Tacit Collusion, Cost Asymmetries and Mergers”, *RAND Journal of Economics*, Spring 2005, Vol. 36, No. 1, pp. 39-62.
- “Entry Effects on Cartel Stability and the Joint Executive Committee”, *Review of Industrial Organization*, May 2004, Vol. 24, Issue 3, pp. 219-241.
- “Estratégias e Estruturas Industriais e o Impacto da Adesão à Comunidade Europeia: O Caso das Indústrias Têxtil, do Vestuário e do Calçado” (with António Brandão and Alberto de Castro), *Estudos de Economia*, Vol. XVIII, N° 4, Outono 1998.

### ***Working Papers***

- “Price Discrimination under Customer Recognition and Mergers” (with Rosa Branca Esteves)
- “Welfare-Enhancing Collusion and Trade” (with George Deltas and Alberto Salvo).
- “Vertical Integration and Right of First Refusal” (with Luís Cabral).
- “Duopoly Competition with Common Shareholders” (with Duarte Brito and Luís Cabral).
- “Asymmetric Cartels – A Theory of Ring Leaders” (with Mattias Ganslandt and Lars Persson), CEPR Discussion Paper No. 6829 (2008).

### ***Current Research Projects:***

- “The Funding of Competition Authorities: What do Firms Prefer?” (with Pedro Pita Barros).
- The Anticompetitive Effects of Bundled Discounts (with Duarte Brito)
- “Exclusion in Two-Sided Markets” (with Massimo Motta).

### ***Teaching Experience***

- Microeconomics, Universidade Católica Portuguesa (Porto), MSc in Economics, 2009-2010.
- Competition Policy, Universidade Católica Portuguesa (Porto), MSc in Economics, 2008-2010.
- Industrial Organization, Universidade Católica Portuguesa (FCEE), MSc in Economics, 2008-2010.

- Industrial Organization, Universidade Católica Portuguesa (Porto), Undergraduates, 2007-2008.
- Industrial Organization, Università Bocconi (SDA), Ph.D. course, 2005-06.
- Microeconomics, Università Bocconi (SDA), Ph.D. course, 2003-05.
- Industrial Organization, Università Bocconi, Undergraduates, 2003-06.
- Microeconomics, Università Bocconi, Undergraduates, 2003-06.
- Microeconomics, Università Bocconi (SDA), MBA course, 2004-06.
- Microeconomics, European University Institute, Ph.D. Course, Teaching Assistant for Prof. Pierpaolo Battigalli, Fall 2000.
- Portuguese Economy, Universidade Católica Portuguesa (Porto), Undergraduates, 1997-1998.
- Microeconomics, Universidade Católica Portuguesa (Porto), Undergraduates, 1996-1997, 1997-1998.
- Macroeconomics, Universidade Católica Portuguesa (Porto), Undergraduates, 1995-1996, 1996-1997.

### *Presentations in Conferences*

- 25<sup>th</sup> E.A.R.I.E. (European Association for Research in Industrial Economics) Conference, University of Copenhagen, September 1998;
- 1999 C.I.E. (Centre for Industrial Economics) Summer School, University of Copenhagen;
- 2<sup>nd</sup> C.E.P.R. (Centre for Economic Policy Research) Conference on Applied Industrial Economics, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, July 2000;
- 27<sup>th</sup> E.A.R.I.E. Conference, Université de Lausanne, September 2000;
- E.E.A. (European Economic Association) Annual Congress, University of Bolzano, Italy, August 2000;
- E.E.A. Annual Congress, Université de Lausanne, August 2001;
- A.S.S.E.T. 2001 Conference, Rethymno, October 2001;
- Summer School on Antitrust and Regulation, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Lisbon, July 2002;
- 30<sup>th</sup> E.A.R.I.E. Conference, Helsinki Business School, August 2003;
- 31<sup>st</sup> E.A.R.I.E. Conference, DIW Berlin, September 2004;
- E.E.A. Annual Congress, Universidad Carlos III, Madrid, August 2004;
- Csef-Igier Symposium on Economics and Institutions (Capri), June/July 2005;
- 32<sup>nd</sup> E.A.R.I.E. Conference, FEP Porto, September 2005;
- International Industrial Organization Conference, Northeastern University, Boston, April 2006;

- 33<sup>rd</sup> E.A.R.I.E. Conference, University of Amsterdam, August 2006;
- Conference on Globalization and Corporate Restructuring, Stockholm, September 2006;
- 34<sup>th</sup> E.A.R.I.E. Conference, Universitat de Valencia, September 2007;
- 35<sup>th</sup> E.A.R.I.E. Conference, Toulouse School of Economics, September 2008;
- A.S.S.E.T. 2008 Conference, European University Institute, November 2008;
- International Industrial Organization Conference, Northeastern University, Boston, April 2009;
- 36<sup>th</sup> E.A.R.I.E. Conference, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia, September 2009.

### ***Invited Seminars at Universities***

- Faculdade de Economia do Porto, April 2008 and June 2009;
- ISEG (Lisbon), December 2008;
- Autoridade da Concorrência (Lisbon), April 2008;
- Erasmus University of Rotterdam, January 2008.
- Universidade do Minho (EEG), December 2007;
- Tilburg University (TILEC), November 2007;
- Università degli Studi di Roma Tor Vergata, October 2006;
- European University Institute, Florence, October 2006;
- Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS, Vienna), June 2005;
- WZB (Berlin), January 2005;
- Faculdade de Economia do Porto (FEP), July 2004 and April 2008.
- European University Institute, Florence, September 2003;
- Bocconi University, January 2003;
- Université de Lausanne, May 2002;
- The University of Warwick, February 2002;
- Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF), Barcelona, September 2001;
- The Research Institute for Industrial Economics (IUI), Stockholm, November 2000 and November 2002.

### ***Other information***

- Referee for *Foundations and Trends in Microeconomics*, *International Economic Review*, *Journal of Economics & Management Strategy*, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, *Journal of Industrial Economics*, *Journal of Industry, Competition and Trade*, *International Journal of Industrial*

*Organization, Portuguese Economic Journal, RAND Journal of Economics and for Research in Economics.*

- Scientific Committee: 32<sup>nd</sup> E.A.R.I.E. Conference (Porto, September 2005), 34<sup>th</sup> E.A.R.I.E. Conference (Valencia, September 2007) and 35<sup>th</sup> E.A.R.I.E. Conference (Toulouse, September 2008).
- Member of the Committee selecting the Best Article by a Younger Scholar in the *Review of Industrial Organization* for 2007.

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