

# Michele Mariani, brief Curriculum Vitae

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## **Education:**

High School Diploma: A. Volta Scientific High School, Milan

Five-Year Degree in Work and Organizational Psychology: University of Padua

Ph.D. in Human Resources Management and Training Processes: University of Rome 'La Sapienza'

## **Academic career:**

Contract Researcher under the EU Human Capital and Mobility Fellowship program, Department of Computer Science, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (Netherlands)

Research Fellow (SSD M/PSI-01, General Psychology), Department of Communication Sciences, University of Siena

Subject Expert in 'General Psychology' (SSD M/PSI-01)

Non-tenured Researcher in General Psychology (M-PSI01), Department of Communication and Economics, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia

## **Current Roles and Affiliations:**

Since January 19, 2008, Confirmed Researcher in General Psychology (M-PSI01) at the Department of Communication and Economics, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia

At the same department, currently Faculty Delegate for Disability Assistance, Member of the Commission for the Assessment of Italian Language Proficiency for Foreign Students, and Head of the Cognitive Psychology and User Experience Design Laboratory

Teaches Cognitive Process Psychology (Bachelor's Degree in Marketing and Business Organization) and Applied Psychology (User Experience Design module, Master's Degree in Business Management and Communication)

Member of the Italian Psychological Association (AIP, experimental section)

**Other Professional Experiences:**

Junior Researcher, Institute for Socio-Organizational Research (IRSO), Milan

Independent Expert Evaluator/Reviewer for the EU FPVI Research Program

Scientific Director of research units and contract researcher in fourteen EU-funded research consortia (Esprit, FPVII programs, and others), various PRIN and Regional projects

Provided scientific collaboration and consultancy to over one hundred organizations including: Fiat Research Center, IRSO Institute, Lcd Media Agency, Niew, Saeco, Autostrade per l'Italia, Basell Ferrara Research Center

**Current Research Interests:**

Perceptual laws, illusions, and cognitive biases

Perceptual Modification

Extended and embodied cognition

Methods and tools for the design and evaluation of next-generation interfaces (Virtual and Augmented Reality, Gen AI)