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Place of birth Udine
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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

October 2017 – date **PhD in Linguistic Sciences - University of Pavia/University of Bergamo (Italy)**

Research project: A cross-linguistic, corpus-assisted analysis of news discourse about the environment

Supervisor: Professor Gianguido Manzelli

September 2014 – September 2017 **MA in Theoretical and Applied Linguistics - University of Pavia (Italy)**
Thesis title: “The Hungarian Route to the European Union: A Corpus-assisted Study”

Supervisors: Professor Gianguido Manzelli; Professor Maria Freddi; Doctor Carmen Dayrell Gomes Da Costa

Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*

Experiences abroad:

- Erasmus Traineeship - Visiting student at Lancaster University (United Kingdom - from September to December 2016)

September 2013 - June 2014 **Course in Hungarian Language and Cultural Studies – Balassi Institute of Budapest (Hungary)**

Thesis title: “A magyar igenevek vizsgálata két kortárs folyóiratban: *Magyar Narancs* és *HVG*”

[“An analysis of the Hungarian participles in two contemporary magazines: *Magyar Narancs* and *HVG*”]

Supervisor: Professor Réka Sólyom

Grade: 5/5

September 2010 – November 2013 **BA in English and Hungarian Literature and Linguistics – University of Udine (Italy)**
Thesis title: “Una lingua per la pubblicità: l’ungherese”
[“*The Hungarian language: how to create advertising*”]
Supervisor: Professor Paolo Driussi
Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*
Experiences abroad:

- University course: Hungarian Language II, taught by András Csillaghy - Keszthely (Hungary; *May 2012*)
- Summer School in Hungarian Language and Culture - Debrecen Summer University (Hungary; *July and August 2011*)

September 2005 – July 2010 **High School Degree – Liceo Scientifico “N. Copernico” of Udine (Italy)**
Scientific studies
Grade: 100/100

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

April 2018 - date **28th European Systemic Functional Linguistics Conference 2018**
Member of the organizing committee

February 2018 - date **Words Matter project**
Member of the organizing team

From 22nd to 24th March 2018 **Zadar Linguistic Forum**
Spring School on *Language Documentation and the Treatment of Spoken Language*

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

8th December 2016 Valvason, E. (2017). *The Hungarian Route to the European Union: A Corpus-assisted Study*. Presented at *UCREL Seminars*. Lancaster (United Kingdom), 8th December 2016

25th July 2017 Valvason, E. (2017). *The Hungarian Route to the European Union: A Corpus-based Study*. Presented at *9th International Corpus Linguistics Conference*. Birmingham (United Kingdom), 24-28 July 2017

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENTS AND TRAINEESHIPS

January 2017 – April 2018 **Tutor of English for Specific Purposes - University of Pavia (Italy)**
Revision of the main topics of the English grammar. Introduction to the learning of English for Specific Purposes for the course of *English for the Safety in the Workplace* (Professor Rodney De Souza and Professor Maeve Ann Casey)

- From July to September 2017* **Tutor of General Linguistics - University of Pavia (Italy)**
Revision of the main topics of phonetics and phonology, semantics, syntax and pragmatics. Tutoring for the written and oral exams of General Linguistics (Professor Gianguido Manzelli and Professor Elisa Roma)
- November 2015 – June 2016* **Trainee for teaching Italian as a Second Language – “Progetto Con-Tatto” Cooperative Society of Pavia (Italy)**
Teaching of Italian as a Second Language in classes of ten-twenty adults and adolescents (A1, A2, B1 levels). Tutoring of illiterate students. Development of specific teaching materials for illiterate students
- January 2015 – June 2015* **Trainee for teaching English as a Foreign Language to Young Learners – Primary School “Giovanni Maestri” of Pavia (Italy)**
Teaching in a class of eighteen 7-year old students. Development of an EFL project about *Food and Health* (related to *EXPO 2015*)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- October 2017 – date* **PhD scholarship at the University of Pavia/University of Bergamo (Italy)**
- From September to December 2016* **Erasmus Traineeship at Lancaster University (United Kingdom)**
3-month scholarship
- September 2013 – June 2014* **Course in Hungarian Language and Cultural Studies - Balassi Institute of Budapest (Hungary)**
10-month scholarship
- July and August 2011* **Summer School in Hungarian Language and Culture – Debrecen Summer University (Hungary)**
4-week scholarship

LANGUAGES

- Italian* Mother tongue
- English* Advanced knowledge (C1 level – IELTS Grade 8,0)
- Hungarian* Advanced knowledge (C1 level – ECL Grade 8,3)
- German* Basic knowledge

I. T. COMPETENCE

- Advanced knowledge of corpus analysis toolkits and software (*AntConc*, *GraphColl*, *Wordsmith Tools*, *SketchEngine*)
- Advanced knowledge of Microsoft Office