

# Europass Curriculum Vitae

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## Working Experience

Dates	November 2011_ Current
Occupation or position held	<b>Content manager</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Manages and participates in research work "Good practice in urban development:Projects and approaches supported by the European Regional Development Fund during 2007-2013". 2011.CE.16.0.AT.035 on behalf of the European Commission DG regio with AEIDL. Carries out evaluations to determine relevance, efficiency and impact.
Name and address of employer	Self-employer at AEIDL Brussels on behalf of the European Commission Brussels
Dates	November 2011-Current
Occupation or position held	<b>Fellow researcher at IRS- Project Regeneration of deprived urban areas</b>
Name and address of employer	Leibniz-Institut für Regionalentwicklung und Strukturplanung Personalstelle, Flakenstr. 28-31 D-15537 Erkner
Dates	January- August 2010 ( after this date on maternity leave until Nov. 2011)
Occupation or position held	<b>Research coordinator</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Drafting a Study on Inter-Municipal cooperation in Europe Study for the project called "Brasil Municipios" - "Strengthening Institutional Capacities of elected Municipalities to Reduce Poverty" and organizing a Study tour in Germany, Italy, Spain and Portugal for a delegation of ministries and civil servants of the central and local Brazilian government about IMC best practices in collaboration with the University of Florence, University Barcelona, DIFU, Ministry of planning in Spain, Region of Tuscany, et al.
Name and address of employer	Non-Reimbursable Technical Cooperation between the European Community (EC), and the Brazilian Government, through the Ministry of Planning, Budget and Management (MP), having the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) as the implementing agent for the European funds
Dates	January-May 2010
Occupation or position held	<b>Researcher coordinator</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Study on Sustainable urban development-implementation of Art.8 dealing with integrated participative approach of deprived urban areas regeneration. For the EU Cohesion Policy 207-2013
Name and address of employer	Self-employer on behalf of DG regio, EU Commission Brussels
Dates	August 2005- now
Occupation or position held	<b>URBACT Thematic Expert</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Selected thematic expert for the themes " Social Inclusion" and "Governance and Urban Planning" URBAMECO network "deprived urban areas and local economic development", lead partner Grand Lyon ( with the municipalities of: Arnhem NL, Gotheborg,SE Birmingham UK, Lodz PL, Lomza PL, Wroclaw PL, Tatabanya HU, Nea Ionia GR, Constanta RO) PHYRE network "urban regeneration and integrated approach", lead partner Kassel municipality (with the municipalities of: Saarbucken DE, Taranto IT, Heerlen NL, Komotini GR, West Athens GR, Bydgoszcz PL, Vilnius LT) Final results at <a href="http://urbact.eu/projects/phyre/documents/reports.html">http://urbact.eu/projects/phyre/documents/reports.html</a> ). Activities undertaken: _ Organize and facilitate meetings _ Documenting, reporting, and research _ Attendance to URBACT conferences, thematic cross cutting and experts meetings _ Participation at the seminar Foresight on Deprived Urban areas Nov. 2007 (Délégation Interministerielle à la Ville, Paris FR) _ Article on Integrated approach published in Livre Bilan Urbact 2001/06
Name and address of employer	URBACT Secrétariat d'URBACT - Délégation Interministérielle à la Ville 194, avenue du Président Wilson 93217 Saint-Denis La Plaine Cedex FRANCE <a href="http://www.urbact.org">www.urbact.org</a>

Dates	2009-2010
Occupation or position held	<b>Bauhaus Research school research fellow</b> "Urban deprivation, social inclusion and public policies in EU"
Main activities and responsibilities	Researcher in charge of designing a proposal for a new PhD research group at the Bauhaus University. Additional activities: Co-organizer and chairing: International Bauhaus Kolloquium, Weimar, Mar. 2009 Speaker: Micronomics, three days event on local economies and urban actions, Citymined, Brussels May 2009 Speaker: "Collective housing and the right to the city in Berlin", conference held at the University of Florence, Sep. 2009 Chairing: "Future cities and future Bauhaus", Weimar Nov. 2009
Name and address of employer	Bauhaus Research school, Bauhaus University, Weimar, DE
Dates	2009-2010
Occupation or position held	<b>Bauhaus Research school research fellow</b> "Urban deprivation, social inclusion and public policies in EU"
Main activities and responsibilities	Coordinator of the PhD Programme Urban heritage, European institute of Urbanistic, (IfEU) Bauhaus University, Weimar In May 2010, teacher for an intensive course and coaching for PhD students at the IfEU
Name and address of employer	Bauhaus Research school, Bauhaus University, Weimar, DE
Dates	Aug 2009
Occupation or position held	<b>Teacher and coordinator of Metropolitan Studies Summer School</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Design, coordination and teaching a postgraduate summer course about Berlin urban regeneration: "Berlin is Berlin is Berlin: whose urban development?" <a href="http://www.international.hu-berlin.de/an_die_hu/sommer-winter-unis/sommeruniversitat/metrostudies">http://www.international.hu-berlin.de/an_die_hu/sommer-winter-unis/sommeruniversitat/metrostudies</a>
Name and address of employer	Humboldt University and George Simmel Centrum, Berlin, DE
Dates	April 2006-2008
Occupation or position held	<b>Post doctoral EU Marie Curie Fellow</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Research:</b> Post doc. Research Marie Curie Fellowship in Mediacity project</li> <li>• <b>Teaching:</b> Courses at Bauhaus Universitaet (« Public participation in Europe » master in Urban studies, Euroepan Institut of Urbanistik, winter semester 2005/06; master in « Media Architecture », winter semester 2005/06; « Space and Place », graduate students from visual arts and architecture spring semester 200; « Soziologie der Stadt » teaching assistant undergraduate students spring semester 2006; « Local politics and public participation » Winter semester 2008/09; students coaching for exams or final thesis)</li> <li>• <b>Additional activities:</b> (Invited lecturer at the postgraduate master on « public participation and local development » University of Florence. Three lectures on theory of public participation, representation, community mapping and ICT. 2006-2009; Workshop facilitator at Shared Encounters. In Proceedings of CHI2007, April 28 – May 3, 2007, San José, USA; CEU ( Central European University) summer school in Budapest HU on « Media globalization in post communist countries » Budapest HU July 2007)</li> </ul>
Name and address of employer	Bauhaus Universitaet, Weimar, DE
Dates	2005-2006
Occupation or position held	<b>Researcher</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Social study for developing strategies and policies against the abandonment of rural settlements in Tuscany, Italy
Name and address of employer	University of Florence Via Micheli, 2 50133 Florence, Italy tel. +39 055 5031159 fax +39 055 587087
Type of business or sector	University in partnership with the Comunità Montana (Mountain administration)
Dates	<b>2001-2005</b>
Occupation or position held	<b>Consultant Public administration and NGOs</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	2005 Comune di Casalgrande, RE, IT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparatory social study for a participatory planning process</li> <li>• Involvement of civil society through interviews, outreach and open meetings</li> </ul> 2004-2005 NGO MICHELUCCI FOUNDATION, Florence, IT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Team work to design and structure participatory planning process for the social and physical rehabilitation of a historical neighbourhood in Florence, Italy committed by the Municipality of Florence, Italy</li> <li>• Organize and facilitate meetings and information campaigns</li> <li>• Documenting (paper writing and video making), tendering and reporting</li> </ul> 2001-2002 Province of Prato, IT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinated long term multi-stakeholder participatory process;</li> <li>• Designed interactive communication strategy with govt. and non-govt. associations (interviews, documentations, facilitation of public meetings, reports)</li> <li>• GIS/mapping and design of interactive web site about the participatory planning process.</li> </ul> Other consultancy activities have been conducted in the frame of Academic research
Dates	2003

Occupation or position held

### Researcher and community organizer

Main activities and responsibilities

- Research and active collaboration in long term partnership with local non-profit organizations, in a Puerto Rican low income community, Springfield, MA, USA
- Team work with reflective practice approach
- Design strategic planning and community organizing process;
- Facilitate meetings and workshops in English and Spanish;
- Archive research, participatory video making, designed and edited a comprehensive video narrative about neighbourhood and the social struggles of local activists.

Name and address of employer

Center for Reflective and Community Practice, DUPT, MIT  
 Building 7, Room 307  
 77 Massachusetts Avenue  
 Cambridge, MA 02139  
 phone 617.253.3216  
 fax 617.258.6515

Dates

2000-2002

Occupation or position held

### Researcher/teacher

Main activities and responsibilities

Survey and GIS mapping of dismantled industrial areas in the municipalities of Prato and Firenze in preparation for the official Structural Plan  
 Research on dismantled urban areas in Florence commissioned by the Municipality of Florence.  
 Teaching GIS ArcView course CSIAF, University of Florence

Name and address of employer

University of Florence

## Education and training

2001-2004

### PhD in Urban Planning

PhD thesis "Community Organizing and ICT: Methods and Practices in Urban Planning."  
 University of Florence, Italy and MIT, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA (visiting researcher from Jan-Dec. 2003)  
 Fully funded MIUR research scholar.

Feb-May 2003

Certificate

Post graduated training for facilitators and mediators in the field of law and urban planning  
 Program On Negotiation (PON), Harvard Law School, Boston, MA

Feb-June 2000

Certificate

Sustainable cities and participatory urban planning with youth and children.  
 Innocenti Institute together with the Italian Environment Ministry and University of Florence, Italy

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Sustainable cities and participatory urban planning with youth and children.  
 Innocenti Institute together with the Italian Environment Ministry and University of Florence, Italy

1991-1999

### Architecture Degree

University of Florence, Italy

Graduated 110 cum laude /110.

Fully funded MIUR research scholar.

## Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s)

Italian

Other language(s)

English, German, French, Spanish, basic understanding of Portuguese spoken and written

Self-assessment

European level (\*)

English

German

French

Spanish

Understanding		Speaking		Writing	
Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production		
C2	C2	C2	C2	C1	
C1	C1	B2	B2	A1	
C2	C2	B2	B2	B1	
C2	C2	B1	B1	A1	

(\*) Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Computer skills and competences

Familiar with both PC and Mac environments, Microsoft Office package (all), Adobe Indesign, Photoshop (editorial work and image editing)  
 Final cut pro (video editing)

## ANNEX 1 – DETAILS OF PROJECTS / RESEARCH UNDERTAKEN

### Additional information

Founder of TESSERAE Urban & Social research Gbr  
Membership with research network:  
LAPEI, Florence (Environmental Planning Lab for Urban Settlements, [www.lapei.unifi.it](http://www.lapei.unifi.it). Member since 2000.  
INURA, Zurich (International Network of Urban Research and Action, [www.inura.org](http://www.inura.org) Member since 2001.  
CDS, San Francisco (Center for Digital Storytelling). Member since 2003  
CITIDEP, Research Center on Information Technologies and Participatory Democracy Portugal ([citidep.net](http://citidep.net)).

Publications:  
International Journal of Urban and Regional Research, reviewer for Debates and Developments section  
Colini L. Eckardt F. (Ed.) . Bauhaus and the city „Königshausen & Neumann 2011  
Colini L.” „Micronomics” in Corrado M. Lambertini A. (Ed.) „Atlante delle Nature urbane” Editrice Compositori 2011  
Colini L.” Eckardt F., “The Cotton Spinnery of Leipzig and its cultural embedding “ in Miles M. Degen M. (Ed.) “Culture & Agency: Contemporary culture and urban change” University of Plymouth Press 2010  
Colini L.” report on Intermunicipal cooperation in Europe” IADB 2010  
Colini L.” “Sustainable Urban development art.8” EU commission 2010  
Colini L.” Eckardt F., et al. ( ed) Mediacity:situation, practice,and encounters, Published by Frank & Timme GmbH, 2008  
Colini L.”  
Colini L.” Pecoriello A., Tripodi L. Zetti I., “Transforming Florence” in Shaw K, Porter L, “Whose Urban Renaissance?”, Routledge London NY 2008  
Colini L.” Stein P., Integrated approach to Urban regeneration, Livre Bilan Urbact 2001/06  
Colini L.” Stein P., Final report for PHYRE, Kassel DE urbact Eu project, [www.urbact.eu](http://www.urbact.eu)  
Colini L.” Collaboration with the electronic magazine Digimag on digital arts&culture( published three articles [www.digicult.it](http://www.digicult.it))  
Colini L.” Final results at <http://urbact.eu/projects/phyre/documents/reports.html>).  
Colini L.” Participation at the seminar Foresight on Deprived Urban areas Nov. 2007 (Délégation Interministerielle à la Ville, Paris FR)  
Colini L.” Integrated approach published in Livre Bilan Urbact 2001/06  
[www.urbact.org](http://www.urbact.org)  
\_ Reviewer for the  
\_ Authored and presented a paper at British HCI 2006 London UK in collaboration with artist Michelle Teran: Chorianoopoulos, K., Colini, L., Teran, M, Willis, K, (September 2006). Dousing for Dummies: methods for raising public awareness of invisible communication networks. In Adjunct Proceedings of British HCI conference 2006.  
\_ reviewer for the International Journal of Urban and Regional Research, Blackwell Publishing, revision of articles on urban studies and technology.  
Colini L.” „Nuovo Municipio” in Eupolis, March, 2005  
Colini L.” „Springfield: racconto di una comunità riflessiva”, in G. Paba, C. Perrone, Cittadinanza Attiva, Alinea, 2004  
Colini L.” „La nuova geografia della tecnologia: tra partecipazione e high tech”, in La Nuova Città, Fondazione Michelucci, n.6, Dicembre 2002  
\_ Colini L.” & R. Innocenti, “Politiche e strumenti di intervento per il recupero delle aree dismesse” in Archeologia Industriale di Prato, Atti del Convegno su Aree Dismesse, 2001.  
\_ „Il museo minerario di Bochum” in Preite M., Maciocco G., Da miniera a museo: il recupero dei siti minerari in Europa, Firenze, 2000

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