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National Scientific Qualification (Italy) – Associate Professor, Sector 11/E3 (Social Psychology)

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Academic profile

Bruno Gabriel Salvador Casara is a social psychologist whose research focuses on how online communication, social interactions, and socio-cognitive processes shape public beliefs, group dynamics, and collective action. His work integrates correlational and experimental methods with computational social science techniques, such as text mining, semantic network analysis, and large-scale analysis of digital communication, to investigate the formation, diffusion, and polarization of attitudes in online environments.

Across projects on misinformation, vaccine hesitancy, conspiracy beliefs, economic inequality, and gender stereotypes, he examines how physical and digital ecosystems influence people's perceptions of the social world and their engagement in collective behavior.

He collaborates with interdisciplinary teams, including other social psychologists, information engineers, data scientists, and network science groups. His studies are published in leading journals in social psychology, and his research activity has been supported by competitive grants and scientific awards.

In addition to his research activity, he has developed substantial and wide-ranging teaching experience. He has served as the main instructor for bachelor's and master's degree courses, provided undergraduate and graduate instruction, supported teaching activities, supervised bachelor's and master's theses, and delivered methodological workshops on statistics, network analysis, and computational text analysis. He has held adjunct professor appointments at the University of Padova and at the Galilean School of Higher Education (University of Padova). Moreover, he has conducted several guest lectures at NYU Abu Dhabi, the University of Padova, and at the University of Queensland.

He has held institutional roles such as Ph.D. student representative in the Department Council and Review Editor or Consulting Editor for international journals.

He also contributes to the scientific community through the organization of conferences and symposia, most notably as organizer of the "Social Class and Economic Inequality" Pre-Conference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Meeting 2026, and through extensive public outreach initiatives, including invited talks, media interviews, and dissemination events on racism, misinformation, conspiracy beliefs, and gender stereotypes.

Finally, the quality and relevance of his scientific contributions have been recognized through several competitive awards, including the Italian Psychological Association's Best Ph.D. Dissertation Award (2022), the European Journal of Social Psychology Top Cited Paper Awards (2021 and 2022), and the Italian Psychological Association's Best Research Article Award (2019). These distinctions underscore both the impact and the visibility of his work within social psychology.

Current Affiliation

Since 2023
New York University Abu Dhabi Post-Doctoral researcher.

Previous Affiliations

2022

- Post-doc associate at University of Padova, School of Psychology, Department of Developmental Psychology and Socialization (16 months).

Education

2022 — Ph.D. in Psychological Sciences, University of Padova, School of Psychology
Dissertation: Social Psychology of Conspiracy Beliefs: Antecedents, Consequences, and Online Communication (Awarded in 2022 as the best doctoral thesis by the Italian Association of Psychology – Social Psychology section)

Final evaluation: Excellent cum laude

Developed expertise in correlational and experimental social psychology, online communication analysis, and computational text-based methods.

2017 — Master's degree in Community Psychology, University of Padova, School of Psychology
Final grade: 110/110 cum laude

2015 — Bachelor's degree in Psychological Sciences of Personality and Social Relations, University of Padova
Final grade: 110/110

Main research interests

- Online social interaction and digital communication
- Formation, diffusion, and polarization of attitudes in online environments
- Misinformation, fake news, and conspiracy beliefs
- Collective action, social mobilization, and group-based processes
- Gender stereotypes and socio-cognitive processes in digital contexts
- Economic inequality, trust, and political psychology
- Computational social psychology: text mining, semantic networks, and NLP
- Network analysis applied to social psychology

Teaching Experience

- **2023 — Adjunct Professor**, University of Padova, Galilean School of Higher Education
Course: Fake News and Conspiracy Theory (15 hours, 2 credits)
Designed and taught an advanced seminar on misinformation, cognitive biases, and online communication, integrating experimental and computational approaches.
- **2022 — Adjunct Professor**, University of Padova, School of Economy and Political Sciences
Course: Psychology of Intragroup, Intergroup, and Systemic Relations (45 hours, 6 credits; Course students' satisfaction: mean = 8.63/10, median = 9.00/10)
Responsible for full course planning, lectures, assessment, and supervision of student projects examining group processes, polarization, and socio-political attitudes.
- **2021 — Teaching Assistant**, University of Padova, *Department of Developmental Psychology* (40 hours, 6 Credits; Supervisor: Prof. Mara Cadinu)
Conducted integrative teaching activities, tutorials, and exam preparation sessions; supervised empirical assignments and provided methodological support.
- **2018–2021 — Teaching Collaborator**, University of Padova, Department of Developmental Psychology and Socialization
Persuasion and Social Influence (40 hours, 6 credits; Supervisor: Prof. Caterina Suitner)
Contributed to lectures and practical sessions on communication, persuasion, and attitude change; supported students in empirical exercises and final reports.
- **2020–2025 — Teaching Collaborator**, University of Padova, Department of Information Engineering
Network Analysis (40 hours, 6 credits; Supervisors: Prof. Caterina Suitner, Prof. Leonardo Badia, Prof. Tomaso Erseghe)
Led applied sessions on computational tools (Text mining applied to Network Analysis), bridging psychology with information engineering and data science.

Guest Lectures

- **2024-2025 – New York University Abu Dhabi, Division of Science**: Guest lecture “Gender stereotypes transmission on Social Media” (2 hours, Course: Stereotyping).
- **2024-2025 – New York University Abu Dhabi, Division of Science**: Guest lecture “Economic inequality and Populism” (2 hours, Course: Lab in psychology of economic inequality).
- **2022-2025 – University of Padova, Department of Information Engineering**: Guest lectures “Text mining on Twitter and Reddit” (four guest lectures – 2 hours per lecture, Course: Social Network Analysis).
- **2025 – University of Padova, Department of Political Science, Law, and International Studies**: Guest lectures “Conspiracy beliefs” (2 hours per lecture, Course: Applied Social Psychology).
- **2022 – University of Padova, Department of Developmental Psychology and Socialization**: Guest lecture “Stress” (2 hours, Course: Work and Organizational Psychology)
- **2019-2022 – University of Padova, Department of Developmental Psychology and Socialization**: Guest lecture “Conspiracy beliefs” (four guest lectures - 2 hours per lecture, Course: Work and Organizational Psychology)
 - **2020 – University of Queensland**: Three invited methodological tutorials (6 hours, Network Analysis with Gephi; Introduction to Network Analysis; Introductory Text Mining).

Additional Training

2025

• DataCamp / OpenAI Courses – Training in AI & computational methods.
Advanced training in hierarchical and mixed-effects models in R, Tidyverse workflows for reproducible data analysis, and foundational concepts in machine learning, artificial intelligence, and large language models relevant for text mining and computational social science.

2024

- Student for the Summer School “Introduction to Network Psychometrics” at the University Cattolica of Milan (24 hours).
Advanced training in network models for psychological data, including regularization, network analyses for cross-sectional and longitudinal data

2021

- Selected student for the Summer School “Innovative Tools in the Study of Language” at the University of Padova (40 hours).

Specialized training in linguistic analysis, computational approaches to language, and methodological tools for studying online communication.

2019

- Selected student for the Winter School “Modern Statistical Approaches in Psychological Science” at the University of Padova (40 hours).

Intensive program on cutting-edge statistical methods, including Bayesian approaches, data mining, multiverse analysis, and other advanced data analysis techniques.

2018

- Post-lauream internship at Confindustria Padova/Assindustria VenetoCentro (1 year, 1000 hours).

Applied social and organizational psychology in professional settings; contributed to organizational analysis and data-driven decision-making.

2017

- Internship at the University of Padova, Department of Developmental and Socialization Psychology (supervisor: prof.ssa Caterina Suitner, 400 hours). Research project: The psychology of vaccination.

Conducted empirical work on attitudes toward vaccination, risk perception, and health-related communication.

Research groups and labs membership

Member of the Grammar of Social Relations Lab - Directors: Caterina Suitner, Magdalena Formanowicz
<https://gsr-lab.com/>

Member of the Social Attitudes and Neurolinguistic Dynamics Lab - Director: Anne Maass
<https://wp.nyu.edu/abudhabi-sandlab/>

Affiliate of the Social Perception, Cognition, and Language Lab – Directors: Luigi Castelli, Mara Cadinu, Luciana Carraro, Caterina Suitner (University of Padova, Italy)

<https://specolab.psy.unipd.it/>

Visiting researcher at the Social Identity and Groups Network – Directors: Jolanda Jetten, Alex Haslam, Catherine Haslam, Michael Thai, Kelly Kirkland, Aoife Marie Foran

<https://sign.centre.uq.edu.au/>

Member of the research group for the PRIN 2017 “The Psychology of Economic Inequality”

(<https://disuguaglianze.dpss.psy.unipd.it/>). Research activities conducted within this project resulted in the following publications as lead author:

1. **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Filippi, S., Suitner, C., Dollani, E., Maass, A. (2022). Tax the élites! The role of economic inequality and conspiracy beliefs on attitudes toward taxes and redistribution intentions. *British Journal of Social Psychology*
2. **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Suitner, C., & Jetten, J. (2022). The impact of economic inequality on conspiracy beliefs. *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, 98, 104245.

Period Abroad

2025-April

- Visiting researcher at the University of Geneva.

2023-ongoing

- Post-doctoral researcher at the New York University Abu Dhabi (Supervisor: Prof. Anne Maass; 4 years contract).

2020

- Visiting researcher at the University of Queensland (Supervisor: Prof. Jolanda Jetten; 1 year).

Academic Institutional Services

- 2025 Organizer of the Economic Inequality Conference at New York University Abu Dhabi.
- 2025 Organizer of the Social Class and Economic Inequality Pre-conference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Meeting.
 - 2023-2025 Social Attitudes and Neurolinguistic Dynamics Laboratory webmaster (Science Division, New York University Abu Dhabi).
 - 2022-2025 Honorary Fellow (Cultore della Materia) in Network Science at University of Padova.
 - 2019 and 2022 - Organization of Specola Lab (Department of Developmental Psychology and Socialization, University of Padova).
 - 2019-2021 Ph.D. and Post-doc Students representative at the Department of Development and Socialization council (three years).

Services to students

- 2023-2025 Co-supervisor for bachelor capstone students final dissertations (2 students) – New York University Abu Dhabi
- 2019-2022 Co-supervisor for bachelor and master School of Psychology students (approximately 15 bachelor students and 15 master students)

- 2017 – Tutor for the University of Padova School of Psychology Tutoring Service (1 year). Provided structured academic support to psychology students, including orientation to degree programs, assistance with course selection and study planning, methodological guidance for exams and research activities, and facilitation of communication between students, faculty, and administrative offices. Contributed to first-year student integration and to the improvement of learning processes within the School.

Organization of Scientific Activities

- 2026 - Organization of the Social Class and Economic Inequality Pre-conference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Meeting.
- 2025 - Organization of the Symposium “Radici, processi e conseguenze psicosociali dell’adesione alle teorie del complotto e all’ideologia populista”. XVIII Congresso Nazionale della Sezione di Psicologia Sociale dell’AIP 4th - 6th September, 2025
- 2025-2024 – Organization of the Journal Club at New York University Abu Dhabi – Social Psychology – Science Division.
- 2020 - Organization of the workshop “The dark side of being a woman: Gender based violence and discrimination. Comitato Unico di Garanzia, University of Padova, February 14.
- 2019 and 2022 - Organization of Specola Lab meetings and workshops (Department of Developmental Psychology and Socialization, University of Padova)
- 2019 - Scientific Coordinator of the Junior Research Programme’s Summer School (7 months).

Collaborations

National (Italian) collaboration

- Alice Lucarini, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Reggio Emilia, Italy
- Caterina Suitner, University of Padova, Padova, Italy
- Maria Laura Bettinsoli, University of Padova, Padova, Italy
- Mauro Sarrica, Sapienza Rome University, Rome, Italy
- Tomaso Erseghe, University of Padova, Padova, Italy
- Valentina Rizzoli, Sapienza Rome University, Rome, Italy

International collaborations

- Anne Maass, New York University Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
- Bedoor Alshebli, New York University Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

- Darius Dolinski, SWPS University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Warsaw, Poland.
- Eric D. Knowles, New York University, New York, USA.
- Jolanda Jetten, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.
- Kim Peters, University of Exeter, Exeter, UK
- Magdalena Formanowicz, SWPS University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Warsaw, Poland.
- Silvia Filippi, University of Geneva, Geneva, Switzerland
- Wojciech Kulesza, SWPS University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Warsaw, Poland.

Professional affiliation membership

- Italian Association of Psychology (AIP) – Social Psychology Section
- European Association of Social Psychology (EASP)
- International Society for Self and Identity (ISSI)
- International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP)
- International Association of Language and Social Psychology (IALSP)

Editorial service

2023-ongoing - Review Editor for *Frontiers in Psychology*

2022-2023 - Consulting Editor for *European Journal of Social Psychology*

Reviewing

Ad hoc reviewer for *British Journal of Social Psychology*, *New Media and Society*, *Health Psychology*, *PNAS Nexus*, *Scientific Reports*, *Plos One*, *Journal of Language and Social Psychology*, *Psychological Reports*, *Journal of International Medical Research*, and *Psicologia Sociale*.

Professional awards

2022

Italian Psychological Association, Social Psychology Section – Best Ph.D. Dissertation.

Title: *Social Psychology of Conspiracy Beliefs: antecedents, consequences, and online communication*.

European Journal of Social Psychology – Top cited paper 2022 for the paper:

Hornsey, M. J., Chapman, C. M., Alvarez B., Bentley S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Crimston C. R., Ionescu O., Krug H., Preya Selvanathan, H., Steffens N. K., Jetten, J. (2021). Are conspiracy theorists concerned activists or selfish actors? A COVID-19 test case. *European Journal of Social Psychology*

2021

European Journal of Social Psychology – Top cited paper 2021 for the paper:

Hornsey, M. J., Chapman, C. M., Alvarez B., Bentley S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Crimston C. R., Ionescu O., Krug H., Preya Selvanathan, H., Steffens N. K., Jetten, J. (2021). Are conspiracy theorists concerned activists or selfish actors? A COVID-19 test case. *European Journal of Social Psychology*

2019

Italian Psychological Association, Social Psychology Section – Best Research Article 2019 for the paper: **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Suitner, C., Bettinsoli M. L. (2019). Viral Suspicions: vaccine hesitancy in the Web 2.0. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Applied*

Research Appointments, Funding, and Fellowships.

Research Appointments

2023–present — €46,000 annual, Postdoctoral Associate, New York University Abu Dhabi
Full-time research position

Research Funding

2025 — €2,000, Funding for Research Project, Italian Social Psychology Association
2022 — €19,367, One-year research grant, University of Padova, DPSS
2021 — €2,000, ISSI Mini Research Grant
2020 — €3,000, Junior Researchers Grant, University of Padova

Fellowships

2022 — €7,000, 5-month fellowship, University of Padova
2019–2021 — €46,000, Ph.D. Fellowship, University of Padova
2018 — €3,600, Confindustria Padova Fellowship
2017 — €3,600, University of Padova Tutoring Fellowship

Other skills

English – Band 7.0 (C1) IELTS certificate obtained on the 20/05/2017

Digital Skills – Office library, Qualtrics (questionnaires builder), Survey Monkey, R (statistical data analysis, graphical representations, web scraping, text mining and text analysis), Gephi (network analysis and network graphical representations), Moodle, LIWC, Prezi, Canva, Jasp, Jamovi, ChatGPT (prompt engineering).

Statistical Skills – Power analysis, generalized and multilevel linear models, structural equation models, meta-analysis, network analysis, Bayesian data analysis, latent class analysis, latent profile analysis, exploratory and confirmatory factor analysis, parametric and non-parametric testing.

Teaching

Team working

Leadership

Public Speaking

Publications

Peer-reviewed publications

1. Filippi, S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Maass, A., & Suitner, C. (2026). Lost in taxation: Misunderstanding the progressive tax system undermines support for redistribution. *Journal of Community & Applied Social Psychology*, 36(2).
2. **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Suitner, C., Maass, A. (2026). From Curiosity to Conspiracy: How Epistemic Motivation Shapes Competing Ways of Knowing. *British Journal of Social Psychology*.
3. **Salvador Casara, B. G.** (2025). Social Rationality. In M. L. Bettinsoli & C. Suitner (Eds.), *Wandering in Social Cognition: a Journey into Shared Realities and Intergroup Dynamics*.
4. Cervone, C., Scatolon, A., Filippi, S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.** (2025). Tipping the Balance: Perceptions, Consequences, and Solutions to Economic Inequality. In M. L. Bettinsoli & C. Suitner (Eds.), *Wandering in Social Cognition: a Journey into Shared Realities and Intergroup Dynamics*.
5. Cervone, C., Lucarini, A., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Filippi, S., Scatolon, A., & Bettinsoli, M. L. (2025). The Words of (Non-)Humanity: Sexist Slurs Elicit Self-Dehumanization in Women. *Journal of Language and Social Psychology*, 0(0).
6. Filippi, S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Peters, K., Maass, A., Feraco, T., Suitner, C. (2025). They Don't Really Care About Us The Impact of Vertical Pay Disparity on Employee Well-being. *European Journal of Work and Organizational Psychology*
7. Witkowska, M., Beneda, M., Nikadon, J., Suitner, C., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, & Formanowicz, M. (2024). Riot like a Girl? Gender-Stereotypical Associations Boost Support for Feminist Online Campaigns. *Sex Roles*
8. **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Lucarini, A., Suitner, C., Knowles, E. (2024). Unveiling Gender Inequality in the US: testing validity of a state-level measure of Gender Inequality and its relationship with feminist online collective action on Twitter. *Plos One*
9. Rizzoli, V., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Sarrica, M. (2024). Tweeting about a revolution? A cross-national analysis of tweets on climate change during the rise of "Fridays for Future". *Social Psychology Bulletin*.
10. Filippi, S., **Salvador Casara, B.G.**, Suitner, C., Pirrone, D., Yerkes, M.A. (2023). Balancing Identities: How Economic Inequality and Class Affect Work-life Balance. *Royal Society Open Science*.
11. Kulesza, W., Dolinski, D., Suitner, C., Genschow, O., Muniak, P., Izydorczak, K., **Salvador Casara, B. G.** (2023). It Matters to Whom You Compare Yourself: the Case of Unrealistic Optimism and Gender-Specific Comparisons. *American Journal of Men's Health*
12. Izydorczak, K., Dolinski, D., Genschow, O., Kulesza, W., Muniak, P., **Salvador Casara, B.G.**, Suitner, C. (2023). Do Unbiased Act More Rationally? - The Case of Comparative Realism and Vaccine Intention. *Royal Society Open Science*.
13. Bentley, S.V., Young, T., Alvarez, B., Jetten, J., Haslam, C., Cruwys, T., **Salvador Casara, B.G.**, Crimston, C., Dare, M., Ionescu, O., Krug, H., Selvanathan, H.P., Tanjitpiyanond, P., Steens, N., Wang, Z. and Wibisono, S. (2022). Double jeopardy: How lower levels of support during COVID-19 exacerbated the relationship between loneliness and distress. *Frontiers in Public Health* 10:976443. doi: 10.3389/fpubh.2022.97644
14. Suitner, C., Badia, L., Clementel, D., Iacovissi, L., Migliorini, M., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Solimini, D., Formanowicz, M., & Erseghe, T. (2022). The rise of #climateaction in the time of the FridaysForFuture movement: a semantic network analysis. *Social Networks*
15. **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Filippi, S., Suitner, C., Dollani, E., Maass, A. (2022). Tax the elites! The role of economic inequality and conspiracy beliefs on attitudes toward taxes and redistribution intentions. *British Journal of Social Psychology*
16. Jetten, J., Peters, K., & **Salvador Casara, B. G.** (2022). Economic inequality and conspiracy theories. *Current Opinion in Psychology*, 47, 101358.
17. **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Martinez-Conde, S., Dolinski, D., Suitner, C., Genschow, O., Muniak, P., Kulesza, W. (2022). Trust in science, risk perception, conspiratorial beliefs, and unrealistic optimism: a network approach to investigate the psychological underpinnings of COVID-19 vaccination intentions. *Social Psychological Bulletin*.
18. Suitner, C., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Maggi, S., & Baldo, V. (2022). An Independent Study to Compare Compliance, Attitudes, Knowledge, and Sources of Knowledge about Pneumococcal Vaccinations among an Italian Sample of Older Adults. *Vaccines*, 10(4), 490.

19. Crimston, C. R., Preya Selvanathan, H., Álvarez, B., Jetten, J., Bentley, S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Ionescu, O., Henning, K., Steffens, N. K., Tanjitpiyanond, P., Wibisono, S. (2022). Cracks before the crisis: Polarization prior to COVID-19 predicts increased collective angst and economic pessimism. *European Journal of Social Psychology*
20. **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Suitner, C., & Jetten, J. (2022). The impact of economic inequality on conspiracy beliefs. *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, 98, 104245.
21. Bettinsoli, M. L., Suitner, C., Maass, A., Finco, L., Sherman, S., & **Salvador Casara, B. G.** (2022). The Spatial Ingroup Bias: Ingroup teams are positioned where writing starts. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*.
22. Jetten, J., Peters, K., Álvarez, B., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Dare, M., Kirkland, K., ... & Mols, F. (2021). Consequences of economic inequality for the social and political vitality of society: A social identity analysis. *Political Psychology*, 42, 241-266.
23. Tanjitpiyanond, P., Álvarez, B., Jetten, J., Bentley, S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Crimston, C. R., Ionescu, O., Jarukasemthawee, S., Krug, H., Preya Selvanathan, H., Steffens, N. K., Wang, Z., Wibisono, S. (2021). Unlocking collective cooperation in the midst of COVID-19: The role of social support in predicting the social class disparity in cooperation. *British Journal of Social Psychology*
24. Wang, Z., Jetten, J., Steffens, N. K., Álvarez, B., Bentley, S. V., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, ... & Sun, S. (2021). A world together: Global citizen identification as a basis for prosociality in the face of COVID-19. *Group Processes & Intergroup Relations*, 13684302211051619.
25. Hornsey, M. J., Chapman, C. M., Alvarez B., Bentley S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Crimston C. R., Ionescu O., Krug H., Preya Selvanathan, H., Steffens N. K., Jetten, J. (2021). To what extent are conspiracy theorists concerned for self versus others? A COVID-19 test case. *European Journal of Social Psychology*
26. Lucarini, A., Suitner, C., Brown, R., Craig, M., Knowles, E. D., & **Salvador Casara, B. G.** (2020). The #MeTooLate Effect: Victim blame and trust denial for sexual harassment not immediately reported. *Personality and Individual Differences*
27. **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Suitner, C., Erseghe, T. (2020). Immigrazione, stili e temi: uno studio sui tweet dei politici italiani. *Ricerche di Psicologia*
28. Suitner C. & **Salvador Casara, B. G.** (2020). Balle e Bolle: il ruolo di internet in relazione agli atteggiamenti e alle decisioni relate ai vaccini. *Atti e Memorie dell'Accademia Galileiana di Scienze Lettere ed Arti*
29. **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Suitner, C., Bettinsoli M. L. (2019). Viral Suspicions: vaccine hesitancy in the Web 2.0. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Applied*
30. Pieragostini, F., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Suitner, C. (2017). Interethnic communication. *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Communication*.

International conferences

Salvador Casara, B. G., Filippi, S., Maass, A., Peters, K., Suitner, C. (2025). How perceived pay disparities shape employees wellbeing and organizational commitment. *European Congress of Work and Organizational Psychology*. Prague, Czech Republic, May 21-24, 2025.

Filippi, S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Maass, A., Peters, K., Suitner, C. (2023). They don't really care about us: the impact of high manager-worker pay gap on organizational well-being. *EASP general Meeting*. Kraków, Poland, 29th June - 4th July, 2023.

Salvador Casara, B. G. (2023). Economic inequality: effect on conspiracy beliefs. *EASP general Meeting*. Kraków, Poland, 29th June - 4th July, 2023.

Filippi, S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Suitner, C., Dollani, E., & Maass, A (2022). Tax the élites! The role of economic inequality and conspiracy beliefs on attitudes towards taxes and redistribution intentions. *ISPP Annual Meeting*. Athens, Greece. 14 th -17 th July, 2022

Salvador Casara, B. G., Suitner, C., Badia, L., Clementel, D., Erseghe, T., Iacovissi L., Migliorini, M., (2022). (Climate/Rhetoric/Social) Change. A network approach for the study of Climate Change-related online communication. *ISPP Annual Meeting. Athens, Greece. 14 th -17 th July, 2022*

Salvador Casara, B. G., Suitner, C., Badia, L., Clementel, D., Erseghe, T., Iacovissi L., Migliorini, M., (2022). Climate Change, Rhetoric Change, Social Change. A network approach for the study of Climate Change-related online communication. *ICLASP Annual Meeting. Hong Kong.*

Salvador Casara, B. G., Suitner, C., Jetten, J. (2021). Economic inequality and conspiracy beliefs: from anomie to action. *EASP Small Group "Social implications of conspiracy theories" Online, November 18-19th.*

Salvador Casara, B. G., Suitner, C., Jetten, J. (2021). The Effect of Economic Inequality on Conspiracy Beliefs. *ESCON Online Convention September 14 th 2021.*

Rizzoli, V., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Sarrica, M., & Mazzara, B. M. (2021). Forms of denial in the social representation of climate change. Analyses of Twitter. *International Conference on Environmental Psychology, Siracusa, Italy.*

Rizzoli, V., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, & Sarrica, M. (2021). "Are we doing enough?" A cross-national analysis of tweets about climate change: The role of social movements, political ideology, and environmental quality. *Sustainability Preconference, Society for Personality and Social Psychology*

Filippi, S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Suitner, C. (2021). Balancing identities: how economic inequality and class affect work-life balance. *ESCON Online Convention September 14 th 2021.*

Filippi, S., Suitner, C., **Salvador Casara, B.G.**, Pirrone, D., Yerkes, M.A. (2021). Work-life balance: does economic inequality matter? *Social Psychology Conference Helsinki–April 15-16th.*

Lucarini A., Suitner C., Brown R., **Salvador Casara B. G.**, Knowles E. & Craig M. (2019). #MeTooLate effect: trust denial and victim blame for sexual misconduct not immediately reported. *International Graduate Conference UNIRE – Trento - Gender Violence is also a Cultural Issue.*

Salvador Casara B. G., Suitner C. & Lucarini A. (2019). #Dontcaretoo: political orientation is related to the frequency of #MeToo tweets in U.S.A. States. *International Graduate Conference UNIRE – Trento - Gender Violence is also a Cultural Issue.*

National conferences

Salvador Casara, B. G., Suitner C., Maass A. (2025). La teoria di cui si sente il bisogno. Bisogni psicologici, credenze complottiste, e fiducia nella scienza. *XVIII Congresso Nazionale della Sezione di Psicologia Sociale dell'AIP 5th - 7th September, 2024*

Salvador Casara, B. G., Suitner C. (2022). Confused, threatened, and isolated: conspiracy beliefs in the pandemic era. *XVII Congresso Nazionale della Sezione di Psicologia Sociale dell'AIP 27th – 30th September, 2022.*

Suitner C., **Salvador Casara, B. G.** (2022). Conspiracy theories as a defense mechanism: its consequences for vaccine intake. *XVIII Congresso Nazionale della Sezione di Psicologia Sociale dell'AIP 27th – 30th September, 2022.*

Filippi, S., **Salvador Casara, B. G.**, Suitner, C. (2022). The impact of elevated CEO-worker pay gap on perceived organisational welfare, shared identity, and well-being. Symposium "Suffering and challenging inequality: consequences of relative deprivation for personal wellbeing and political mobilization". *AIP –27th – 30th September, 2022.*

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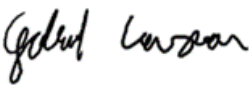
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruno Gabriel Salvador Casara". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Bruno" being more prominent.