



# Roberta Croce

**Nationality:** Italian | \_\_\_\_\_ |

## About me:

I hold a post-graduate degree in Development Practice with a strong passion for sustainability and environmental protection. My interests revolve around the circular economy and climate change, particularly, the impacts of the food industry and the fashion industry. I like challenges and always learning something new.

## ● WORK EXPERIENCE

01/09/2021 – CURRENT – Pisa, Italy

### RESEARCH AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – SCUOLA SUPERIORE SANT'ANNA

- Supported the development of the LIFE CO2PES&PEF project aimed at reducing CO2 from the atmosphere. The project goals are the promotion of sustainable forest management, the PEF methodology application on wooden products, and the creation of ecosystem services credits with the overall objective of climate change mitigation. Produced and organized project's deliverables on the analysis of carbon credits exchange platforms and on socioeconomic description of turistic flows in pilot areas.
- Organized and conducted the scouting of the 2022-2023 calls for projects for all major EU Programmes (LIFE, Horizon, Interreg etc.), analyzed the Programmes' objectives and missions. Supported the administrative design and planning of several EU projects the SuMLab applied to (e.g.: LIFE SuPER, Horizon PRIMA project etc.)
- Evaluated 40+ applicant firms' projects on circular economy for Unioncamere Lombardia. The aim was to finance firms' projects that applied circular economy and industrial symbiosis in their production processes and that applied the LCA and PEF methodology to reduce landfilled waste and environmental impacts. Organized and conducted 15+ interviews with financed firms for monitoring projects' advancements, barriers encountered and success factors. Supported the final report production with inclusion of the methodology followed and overview of the project.
- Performed several administrative procedures (procurement requests, missions' entry, timesheets)
- Supported the development and content creation of the new SuM Website

14/09/2020 – 13/03/2021 – Rome, Italy

### INTERN – INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (IFAD)

- Assisted the research and draft of a Modular Training Program in the framework of the UN Decade of Family Farming
- Supported the organization of the Global Exchange Meeting with Parliamentarians & moderated the French debate
- Developed communication materials, briefing notes and small translations EN to FR and FR to EN for the division
- Assisted the administration Global Donor Platform by organizing meetings, drafting agendas and preparing briefings

01/11/2019 – 31/05/2021 – Dublin, Ireland

### PROJECT COORDINATOR – FAIR AND SUSTAINABLE FASHION PROJECT UCD

- Researched the negative social and environmental costs of fast fashion and advocated for upcycling and recycling
- Organized conferences and webinars to raise awareness on the socio-environmental impacts of the fast fashion industry
- Liaised with several NGOs and small businesses involved in sustainable and circular fashion
- Supported the organization and moderated the webinar "From Fast to Fair Fashion"

01/11/2017 – 30/04/2021 – Rome, Italy

## **RESEARCHER AND MONTHLY NEWSLETTER SUPERVISOR – THINK TANK TRINITÀ DEI MONTI**

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- Researched independently on matters of sustainability, circular economy, environment, international development
- Head of Operations of the Young Researchers, creating a coherent work plan, providing guidance and leadership
- Developed monthly newsletters and published articles and other contents on the Think Tank website

01/01/2020 – 31/05/2020 – Dublin, Ireland

## **STUDENT COORDINATOR UCD - WASTE REDUCTION – UCD GREEN CAMPUS**

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- Developed the project “Pack Your Lunch” to raise awareness among students on single-use items consumption
- Coordinated the work of student/staff groups to implement the project and monitor its benefits and results

01/02/2019 – 31/07/2019 – Rome, Italy

## **STREET ART TOURIST GUIDE – ASSOCIAZIONE ROVESCIO**

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- Given street art tours in English and Italian to groups from 2 to 30+ people
- Provided historic information on Testaccio and Ostiense neighborhood in Rome

01/07/2017 – 31/08/2017 – Rome, Italy

## **SOCIAL VOLUNTEER – SEMI DI LIBERTÀ**

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- Volunteered at an association teaching craft beer production to detainees in conditional discharge to avoid recidivism
- Organized debates with detainees discussing living conditions in detention and how to avoid criminal life after release
- Researched living conditions in Italian prisons and how recidivism can be avoided with education and training

## ● **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

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01/09/2019 – 29/09/2021 – Dublin, Ireland

### **MPA IN DEVELOPMENT PRACTICE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL STREAM – University College Dublin**

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*Relevant courses:* Human Impacts on the Environment, EU Environmental Policy, Environment and Behavior, Tools for Sustainable Development

Final grade: 3.80/4 awarded with First Class Honours

**Thesis:** The Sustainability of Soybean Production in Brazil

01/09/2016 – 18/07/2019 – Rome, Italy

### **BA IN POLITICS, PHILOSOPHY AND ECONOMICS – LUISS Guido Carli**

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*Relevant Courses:* EU Law, International Law, Political Economy of Development, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics

**Thesis:** Political Economy of Land Grabbing in Sub-Saharan Africa

110 cum Laude/110

01/09/2018 – 31/12/2018 – Montréal, Canada

### **EXCHANGE SEMESTER – Université de Montréal**

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## ● LANGUAGE SKILLS

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Mother tongue(s): **ITALIAN**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
<b>ENGLISH</b>	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
<b>FRENCH</b>	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
<b>SPANISH</b>	B2	B2	B2	B2	B2
<b>GERMAN</b>	A1	A1	A1	A1	A1

*Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user*

## ● DIGITAL SKILLS

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### **My Digital Skills**

#### **IT Skills**

Microsoft Office | Mailchimp (Intermediate) | WordPress (Intermediate) | Social Media | Canva (Intermediate) | Google Drive | Zoom | Google Docs | Outlook | Microsoft Powerpoint | Microsoft Excel | Microsoft Word

#### **Attitude Skills**

Organizational and planning skills | Decision-making | Reliability | Public Speaking | Critical thinking | Communication | Team-work oriented | Written and Verbal skills