Matteo Nebbiai

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Education

King's College London *London, UK*
PhD Candidate, Department of Political Economy *2022 - present*

- Thesis: "The Political Economy of Digital Regulation in an Era of Geoeconomic Competition". Supervisors: Christel Koop and Francesca Vantaggiato
- Autumn 2024: Global Political Economy Project Affiliate Fellow, Georgetown University, Washington DC.

Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna *Pisa, Italy*
Honors-college Diploma *2016 - 2023*

- 110/110 cum laude (First class honours)
- Spring 2022: Visiting Student at the École normale supérieure, Paris.

University of Florence *Florence, Italy*
M. A. in Political Science and Public Policy *2019 - 2022*

- 110/110 cum laude (First class honours)
- Spring 2021: Erasmus Exchange at Sciences Po School of Public Affairs, Paris.

University of Pisa *Pisa, Italy*
B.A. in Political Science and International Relations *2016 - 2019*

- 110/110 cum laude (First class honours)

Articles

Nebbiai, M. (2026). Is digital regulation reshaping EU integration? Journal of European Integration (2026): 1-9. [LINK]

Bressanelli, E., Chelotti, N., & Nebbiai, M. (2023). The Recovery and Resilience Dialogues: Cheap Talk or Effective Oversight? Politics and Governance, 11(4). [LINK]

Nebbiai, M. (2022). Intermediaries do matter: voluntary standards and the Right to Data Portability. Internet Policy Review, 11(2). [LINK]

Work in Progress

Data-Driven Lobbying: When Firms Want Data Regulation (in review).[LINK]

Industrial Policy Cascades: The International Roots of Domestic Intervention (with Abraham Newman, Rong Qin and Francesca Vantaggiato).

Evaluating enforcement capacity in multilevel digital regulation (with Christel Koop).

Is AI Weaponization a Fable? How Government Controls Drive the Shift Toward Open Models.

Other Publications

Reports

Nebbiai, M. (2025). Breaking Digital Walls: Aligning Online Platform Regulation Across the EU and ASEAN, Policy Brief for the Global Initiative on the Future of the Internet, European University Institute. [LINK]

Chapters and collections

Nebbiai, M. (2026). Can the Open Internet Survive Geopolitics?, in: Open For Debate: Governance, power, and the limits of internet openness. European University Institute. [LINK]

Nebbiai, M. (2026). Data Intermediaries for good: can data intermediaries help data access in research?, 2026, in: The Many Faces of Data Access: Legal and Policy Implications for Research. Institute of Network Cultures. [LINK]

Nebbiai, M. (2025). Will Digital Regulation Survive Geopolitics?, in: DigiBooks: Enforcing the EU digital acquis (Book No. 4). DigiCon. [LINK]

Nebbiai, M. (2022). Are data watchdogs independent? A comparison between European Data Protection Authorities, 2022, in: L'État digital Numérisation de l'administration publique et administration publique du numérique. Berger-Levrault.

Outreach

How To Save Digital Regulation from Geopolitics. IWM Post 137, translated in Die Presse (Austria). 23/06/2026. [LINK]

The Techlash Will Not Disappear Under Trump 2.0. TechPolicy.Press, 15/01/2025. [LINK]

Italy Wants To Save Its Children, Too. TechDirt, 22/11/2023. [LINK]

Teaching

[U]ndergraduate, [M]aster, [P]hD; TA = Teaching Assistant

2025	**Automated Text Annotation with AI**, Lecturer (1 session) [P]	*LISS DTP*
2025	**Corporate Lobbying in the Global Economy**, TA [U]	*King's College London*
2025	**Political Economy of Digital Markets**, Guest Lecturer (2 sessions) and TA [M]	*Oxford Internet Institute*
2024	**Digital Technology and Economic Organization**, Guest Lecturer (2 sessions) and TA [M]	*Oxford Internet Institute*
2024	**Policy Advice in Theory and Practice**, Guest Lecturer (1 session) [M]	*London School of Economics*
2023	**Regulation in Society**, TA [U]	*King's College London*

Grants

2026	**Digital Humanism Junior Visiting Fellowship**, Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen. Project: The EU in a Weaponized Digital World: A Network Analysis	*€ 8250*
2024	**Grant for a report on the Global Initiative on the Future of the Internet**, European Commission and European University Institute	*€ 1500*
2022	**LISS-DTP PhD Scholarship (4 years)**, UK Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)	*Tuition + stipend*
2016	**Sant'Anna College Full Scholarship (5 years)**, Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna	*Tuition + accommodation*

Awards

2025	**Giandomenico Majone Award for Young Scholar Paper**, European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Standing Group on Regulatory Governance	*€ 300*
2024	**Best Junior Paper award, Conference "Regulation and Regulators in the Digital Era"**, European University Institute	
2022	**My Data is Mine Award**, Euroconsumers and Google	*€ 1000*
2022	**Best paper award, Conference "From data spaces to data governance"**, European University Institute	

Service

Reviewer: *Journal of Common Market Studies* (1), *Politics and Governance* (1), *Governance* (1), *Johns Hopkins University Press* (1).

Organization support: "Rethinking Economic Regulation" workshop (George Washington University & King's College London, May 2024); Book Workshop on "Trust on Trial: Coordination Rights, Competition Law, and the Making of Modern Capitalism" by Chase Foster (June 2025).

Postgraduate Students' Representative at the King's College London's Department of Political Economy (2025-2026).