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Research interests

Economie internationale, Macroéconomie, Prévision, Cycles, Modélisation économétrique

Teaching interests

International economics, International finance, Economic issues, Econometric modelling

Education

2007 HDR en Economie, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, France

2000 Ph.D. in Econometrics, Université Sorbonne Paris Nord, France

Experience

Full-time academic positions

Since 2019 Professor of Economics, SKEMA Business School, France

Other academic affiliations and appointments

2012 - 2020 Member of the Board of Directors, International Institute of Forecasters, United States of America

2005 - 2007 Adjunct Professor, École normale supérieure de Cachan, France

Other professional experiences

2014 - 2019 Head of International Macro Division, Banque de France, France

2010 - 2013 Deputy Head of International Macro Division, Banque de France, France

2007 - 2010 Economist-Researcher, Banque de France, France

Research grants, Awards and Honors

Research Grants

2021 Decision Making under Uncertainty

Publications

Peer-reviewed journal articles

BERMPEI, T., FERRARA, L., KARADIMITROPOULOU, A. and TRIANTAFYLLOU, A. (2024). Commodity currencies revisited: The role of global commodity price uncertainty. *Journal of International Money and Finance*, 145, pp. 103096.

FERRARA, L. and SIMONI, A. (2023). When are Google data useful to nowcast GDP? An approach via pre-selection and shrinkage. *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics*, 41(4), pp. 1188-1202.

- AVIAT, A., BEC, F., DIEBOLT, C., DOZ, C., FERRAND, D., FERRARA, L. ... PIONNIER, P.A. (2023). Les cycles économiques de la France: une datation de référence. *Revue Economique*, 74(2023/2), pp. 5-52.
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- FERRARA, L. and YAPI, J. (2022). Measuring exchange rate risks during periods of uncertainty. *International Economics*, 170, pp. 202-212.
- BUSSIÈRE, M., CHINN, M., FERRARA, L. and HEIPERTZ, J. (2022). The new Fama puzzle. *IMF Economic Review*, 70(3), pp. 451-486.
- CANDELON, B., FERRARA, L. and JOETS, M. (2021). Global financial interconnectedness: a non-linear assessment of the uncertainty channel. *Applied Economics*, 53(25), pp. 2865-2887.
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- CHARLES, A., DARNÉ, O. and FERRARA, L. (2018). Does the Great Recession imply the end of the Great Moderation? International evidence. *Economic Inquiry*, 56(2), pp. 745-760.
- CHINN, M., FERRARA, L. and GIACOMINI, R. (2018). Impact of uncertainty shocks on the global economy. *Journal of International Money and Finance*, 88, pp. 209-211.
- FERRARA, L. and GUERIN, P. (2018). What are the macroeconomic effects of high-frequency uncertainty shocks? *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, 33(5), pp. 662-679.
- FERRARA, L. and BELLEGO, C. (2017). Forecasting euro area recessions by combining financial information. *International Journal of Computational Economics and Econometrics*, 7(1-2), pp. 78-94.
- BARHOUMI, K., DARNÉ, O. and FERRARA, L. (2016). A World Trade Leading Index (WTLI). *Economics Letters*, 146, pp. 111-115.
- AMÉLIE, C., DARNÉ, O., DIEBOLT, C. and FERRARA, L. (2015). A new monthly chronology of the US industrial cycles in the prewar economy. *Journal of Financial Stability*, 17, pp. 3-9.
- BEC, F., BOUADALLAH, O. and FERRARA, L. (2015). Comparing the shapes of recoveries: France, the UK and the US. *Economic Modelling*, 44, pp. 327-334.
- FERRARA, L., MARCELLINO, M. and MOGLIANI, M. (2015). Macroeconomic forecasting during the Great Recession: The return of non-linearity? *International Journal of Forecasting*, 31(3), pp. 664-679.
- FERRARA, L., CHINN, M. and MIGNON, V. (2014). Explaining US Employment Growth after the Great Recession: The role of Output-Employment Non-linearities. *Journal of Macroeconomics*, 42, pp. 118-129.
- FERRARA, L., MARSILLI, C. and ORTEGA, J.P. (2014). Forecasting growth during the Great Recession: is financial volatility the missing ingredient? *Economic Modelling*, 36, pp. 44-50.
- FERRARA, L. and VAN DIJK, D. (2014). Forecasting the business cycle. *International Journal of Forecasting*, 30, pp. 517-519.
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- FERRARA, L. (2013). Comments on: "Examining the quality of early GDP component estimates". *International Journal of Forecasting*, 29(4), pp. 751-753.
- FERRARA, L., BILLIO, M., GUEGAN, D. and MAZZI, G.L. (2013). Evaluation of regime-switching models for real-time business cycle analysis of the euro area. *Journal of Forecasting*, 32(7), pp. 577-586.

- FERRARA, L. and MARSILLI, C. (2013). Financial variables as leading indicators of GDP growth: Evidence from a MIDAS approach during the Great Recession. *Applied Economics Letters*, 20(3), pp. 233-237.
- BARHOUMI, K., DARNÉ, O. and FERRARA, L. (2013). Testing the number of factors: An empirical assessment for forecasting purposes. *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*, 75(1), pp. 64-79.
- BELLEGO, C. and FERRARA, L. (2012). Macro-financial linkages and business cycles: A factor-augmented probit approach. *Economic Modelling*, 29(5), pp. 1793-1797.
- BARHOUMI, K., DARNÉ, O., FERRARA, L. and PLUYAUD, B. (2012). Monthly GDP forecasting using bridge models: Application for the french economy. *Bulletin of Economic Research*, 64(s1), pp. 53-70.
- BARHOUMI, K., DARNÉ, O. and FERRARA, L. (2012). Une revue de la littérature des modèles à facteurs dynamiques. *Economie et Prévision*, 199, pp. 51-77.
- DARNÉ, O. and FERRARA, L. (2011). Identification of slowdowns and accelerations for the euro area economy. *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*, 73(3), pp. 335-364.
- BARHOUMI, K. and FERRARA, L. (2010). Are disaggregate data useful for forecasting French GDP with dynamic factor models ? *Journal of Forecasting*, 29(1-2), pp. 132-144.
- FERRARA, L. (2010). Les variables financières sont-elles utiles pour anticiper la croissance économique ? Quelques évidences économétriques. *Revue Economique*, 61(3), pp. 645-655.
- FERRARA, L., GUEGAN, D. and RAKOTOMAROLAHY, P. (2010). GDP nowcasting with ragged-edge data: a semi-parametric modeling. *Journal of Forecasting*, 29(1-2), pp. 186-199.
- FERRARA, L. (2009). Caractérisation et datation des cycles économiques en zone Euro. *Revue Economique*, 60(3), pp. 703-712.
- ADANERO-DONDERIS, M., DARNÉ, O. and FERRARA, L. (2009). Un indicateur probabiliste du cycle d'accélération pour l'économie française. *Economie et Prévision*, 189, pp. 95-114.
- FERRARA, L. and GUEGAN, D. (2008). Business surveys modelling with Seasonal-Cyclical Long Memory models. *Economics Bulletin*, 3, pp. 1-10.
- FERRARA, L. (2003). A three-regime real-time indicator for the US economy. *Economics Letters*, 81(3), pp. 373-378.
- FERRARA, L. and GUEGAN, D. (2001). Forecasting with k-factor Gegenbauer processes: Theory and applications. *Journal of Forecasting*, 20(8), pp. 581-601.

Books and book editor

- FERRARA, L., CHARLES, A. and DARNÉ, O. [Eds] (2020). *Méthodes de Prévision en Finance*. Economica, 216 pages.
- FERRARA, L., HERNANDO, I. and MARCONI, D. (2018). *International Macroeconomics in the Wake of the Global Financial Crisis*. Springer, 312 pages.
- FERRARA, L. and GUEGAN, D. (2002). *Analyser les séries chronologiques avec S-Plus : Une approche paramétrique*. Presses Universitaires de Rennes, 147 pages.

Book chapters

- FERRARA, L., MARSILLI, C. and BANULESCU-RADU, D. (2020). Prévoir la volatilité d'un actif financier à l'aide d'un modèle à mélange de fréquences. In: Amélie Charles, Olivier Darné et Laurent Ferrara eds. *Méthodes de Prévision en Finance*. 1st ed. Economica.
- FERRARA, L. and MAZZI, G.L. (2018). Parametric models for cyclical composite indicators. In: G.L. Mazzi (ed.). *Handbook on cyclical composite indicators for business cycle analysis*. 1st ed. European Union and United Nations, pp. 327-356.
- FERRARA, L., ANAS, J., BILLIO, M., CARATI, L. and MAZZI, G.L. (2017). Cyclical composite indicators detecting turning points. In: *Handbook on cyclical composite indicators for business cycle analysis*. 1st ed. European Union and United Nations, pp. 357-398.

FERRARA, L. and KOOPMAN, S.J. (2010). Common business and housing markets cycles in the euro area from a multivariate decomposition. In: O. De Bandt, T. Knetsch, J. Peñalosa and F. Zollino eds. *Housing Markets in Europe: A Macroeconomic Perspective*. 1st ed. Berlin: Springer, pp. 105-128.

FERRARA, L., ALVARES, L., CABRERO, A., BULLIGAN, G. and STAHL, H. (2010). Housing cycles in the major euro area countries. In: O. De Bandt, T. Knetsch, J. Peñalosa and F. Zollino eds. *Housing Markets in Europe: A Macroeconomic Perspective*. 1st ed. Springer, pp. 85-103.

FERRARA, L. and VIGNA, O. (2010). Cyclical relationships between GDP and housing market in France: Facts and factors at play. In: O. De Bandt, T. Knetsch, J. Peñalosa and F. Zollino eds. *Housing Markets in Europe: A Macroeconomic Perspective*. 1st ed. Berlin: Springer, pp. 39-60.

Guest editor of a journal special issue

FERRARA, L. and SHENG, S.X. (2022). Economic forecasting in times of Covid-19. *International Journal of Forecasting*, 38(2), pp. 527-528.

Non peer-reviewed journal articles

ANAS, J., BILLIO, M., FERRARA, L. and MAZZI, G.L. (2008). A system for dating and detecting turning points in the euro area. *Manchester School*, 76(5), pp. 549-577.

Conference presentations

FERRARA, L. (2021). High frequency monitoring of Growth-at-Risk. In: OFCE seminar. Paris.

FERRARA, L. (2021). High frequency monitoring of Growth-at-Risk. In: European Commission Conference on Big Data. Milan.

FERRARA, L. (2021). High frequency monitoring of Growth-at-Risk. In: European Central Bank, Forecasting Conference. Frankfurt.

FERRARA, L. (2021). High frequency monitoring of Growth-at-Risk. In: AFSE (Annual conference French Economic Association). Lille.

FERRARA, L. (2021). High frequency monitoring of Growth-at-Risk. In: Computational Economics and Finance. Tokyo (Virtual).

FERRARA, L. (2020). Business cycle dynamics after the Great Recession: An extended Markov-Switching Dynamic Factor Model. In: International Symposium on Forecasting. Rio.

FERRARA, L., SAHUC, J.G. and MOGLIANI, M. (2020). Real-time high frequency monitoring of Growth-at-Risk. In: Workshop on Economic Forecasting at times of Covid-19. Washington.

FERRARA, L. (2019). Business cycle dynamics after the Great Recession: An extended Markov-Switching Dynamic Factor Model. In: Conference on Forecasting at Central Banks, Bank of Canada. Ottawa.

FERRARA, L. (2019). Business Cycle Dynamics after the Great Recession: An Extended Markov-Switching Dynamic Factor Model. In: Real-time data Workshop. Brussels.

FERRARA, L. and SIMONI, A. (2019). When are Google data useful to nowcast GDP? An approach via pre-selection and shrinkage. In: International Symposium on Forecasting. Thessaloniki.

FERRARA, L. and SIMONI, A. (2019). When are Google data useful to nowcast GDP? An approach via pre-selection and shrinkage. In: OECD Workshop on Time Series Methods. Paris.

Faculty research seminar presentations

FERRARA, L. (2021). Business cycle dynamics after the Great Recession: An extended Markov-Switching Dynamic Factor Model. In: University of Piraeus seminar. Piraeus.

FERRARA, L. (2020). Business cycle dynamics after the Great Recession: An extended Markov-Switching Dynamic Factor Model. In: University Paris Nanterre Seminar. Nanterre.

FERRARA, L. (2020). Business cycle dynamics after the Great Recession: An extended Markov-Switching Dynamic Factor Model. In: Essex Business School Seminar. London.

Press and social media

FERRARA, L., SAHUC, J.G. and MOGLIANI, M. (2022). High-frequency macroeconomic risk measures in the wake of the war in Ukraine. VoxEU.

FERRARA, L. (2022). The Surprising Drop in French Economic Activity. Econbrowser.

FERRARA, L. and SIENA, D. (2021). Plan Biden: relance américaine, conséquences mondiales. SKEMA ThinkForward.

FERRARA, L. (2021). Will Joe Biden's stimulus plan cause the US economy to overheat? SKEMA ThinkForward.

FERRARA, L. (2021). The Covid-19 recession in France: The trough is behind us, but let's stay vigilant. VoxEU, France.

FERRARA, L. (2021). Dating business cycles in France: A reference chronology. VoxEU.

FERRARA, L. and NOBLETZ, C. (2020). Dettes publiques: le Covid-19 augmente la contagion sur le marché des obligations d'état. SKEMA ThinkForward.

FERRARA, L., BUSSIÈRE, M., CHINN, M. and HEIPERTZ, J. (2018). The new Fama puzzle. VoxEU.

Other research activities

Senior or associate editor

Since 2021 International Economics

Since 2014 International Journal of Forecasting

Reviewer for:

Journal of International Economics, Journal of Applied Econometrics, Journal of Business and Economic Statistics

Organization of a conference or a seminar

Since 2022 International Macro workshop, Banque de France, France

2022 DEMUR workshop, Aix-Marseille Université, France

2021 Workshop on inflation forecasting, SKEMA Business School, France

2020 Economic Forecasting at times of Covid-19, International Institute of Forecasters, United States of America

2020 Macroeconometrics workshop, Paris School of Economics, France

2019 1st Macroeconometrics workshop, Paris School of Economics, France

Affiliations

Since 2020 Member of the board of directors, Association Française de Science Economique

2012 - 2020 Member of the board of directors, International Institute of Forecasting

Other academic activities

Since 2023 Président du Jury du Prix Malinvaud, Association Française de Science Economique

2022 AFSE Annual Conference, Association Française de Science Economique

2022 International Symposium on Forecasting, International Institute of Forecasters, United States of America

Professional Activities

Other professional activities

Since 2024

Membre du jury