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In November 2013 graduated from the University of Tor Vergata (Rome) in European Economy and Business Law (Master's degree) with a thesis on the European Structural Funds' implementation in Italy. During the second year I went to Madrid for the Erasmus, where I studied at the faculty of Business Administration at the University Carlos III.

Before joining the EEN in November 2015, I worked as an intern at the United Nations (FAO) in Rome and the European Parliament in Brussels. After those experiences, I started working in Rome for the consultancy company Alien Technology Transfer, where I was a Project Financing Consultant for innovative SMEs and start-ups, to help them to secure European grants under the Horizon 2020 programme.

I found the Master really interesting with an innovative structure aimed at involving the students in practical working groups and extra activities. The classes are very small, with the possibility to actively interact with the Professors. Moreover, the international structure gives the possibility to meet students of other Nationalities. I think the Master provided me with the right tools and skills to be able to easily enter in the working reality. In addition, it provides the possibility to access different internships programmes: personally I had the chance to join a 3 months' internship at the Italian Ministry of Internal affairs; I used that experience to develop my final Master's thesis. I really recommend the EEBL Master for those people who are looking for a studying course with a particular practical approach and an international environment.

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