

Curriculum Vitae

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Nationality: Italian

Gender: Male

DoB: 25 November 1969

Main Areas of Expertise: International political economy, aid policies and aid effectiveness, public financial management, fiscal transparency, political economy of reform, South-South Cooperation, governance and civil society

Main Skills: Comparative research (qualitative and quantitative), project management (management of multi-country research projects of up to £250,000), extensive consultancy experience for major international organisations (World Bank, EC, OECD, etc.)

Academic Qualifications

2011 **DPhil in International Relations**

Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford. Topic: "*Buying Better Governance: The Political Economy of Budget Reforms in Aid Dependent Countries, 1997-2007*". Supervisors: Prof. Ngaire Woods and Dr. Chris Adam.

1997 **MSc in the Faculty of Economics (Development Studies)**

Development Studies Institute, London School of Economics and Political Science. Dissertation: "*Social Capital and Good Government: Reflections based on the Bolivian Decentralisation Program*" (Distinction - Awarded Dissertation Prize).

1994 **University degree (Laurea) in Economics**

"L. Bocconi" Commercial University, Milan (1988/1994). Thesis: "*The contractarian foundations of international regimes for North-South economic cooperation*". (Final grade: 110/110)

Academic and Professional Experience

October 2010 – present

Senior Research Fellow, Open Budget Initiative, International Budget Partnership

- Coordinator of research programme on fiscal transparency and accountability
- Co-coordinator of research programme on the political economy of fiscal transparency, participation and accountability
- Coordinator of comparative research project on opaque areas of public finance
- Supervisor of Open Budget Survey for lusophone countries
- Mentor of civil society groups in Mozambique and Brazil

March 2013 - present

Adjunct Professor, International Relations Institute, Pontifical Catholic University, Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio)

- Teaching course on "Professional Practice in International Development Cooperation"
- Coordinator of Development Cooperation Research Group at BRICS Policy Center

October 2007 – October 2009

LSE Fellow, MPA Programme, London School of Economics and Political Science

- Co-teaching core course on "Public Budgeting and Financial Management"
- Co-author of report on Budget Practices and Procedures in African countries for CABRI, the Collaborative Africa Budget Reform Initiative (AfDB)
- Co-author, 2008 Open Budget Index Report (International Budget Partnership)
- Co-coordinator of 2008 OECD/CABRI Budget Survey, extending the OECD Budget Practices and Procedures Survey to 59 developing and transition countries (DFID and World Bank)

October 2003 –

Research Fellow, Centre for Aid and Public Expenditure, Poverty and Public Policy Group, **Overseas Development Institute** (Research Associate since October 2006)

- Team Leader, "Analytical Study of Support to PFM Reforms in Developing Countries" (SIDA, 2010)
- Co-author, "Approach & Methodology for the Evaluation of Donor Support to Public Finance Management (PFM) Reform in Developing Countries" (Fiscus, 2009)
- Co-author of Mozambique case study for project on the impact of IMF conditionalities on health spending in developing countries (Center for Global Development, 2007)
- Coordinator, comparative study on Integrating PRS and Budget Reporting and co-author of

“Minding the Gaps” book (World Bank/GTZ, 2006)

- Team Leader of a study on ‘Promoting Mutual Accountability in Aid Relationships’, looking at both international mechanisms and country-level experiences (DFID, 2005)
- Coordinator of cross-country study on the macroeconomic impact of scaling up aid flows (DFID, 2005)
- Team member, study on civil society involvement in budget monitoring and advocacy, leading case studies of Brazil and Uganda (ODI/IBP, 2005/6)
- Team member, Assessment of Mozambique Public Financial Management System, adopting PEFA methodology (European Commission, 2005)
- Co-researcher on study on the role and use of political conditionalities by DFID in Sub-Saharan Africa (DFID, 2004-5)
- Lead researcher for a study on “Incentives for harmonisation in aid agencies”, as an input for OECD/DAC High-Level Forum 2005 (DAC, 2004)

Sept 2002 to
October 2003

Lecturer, Poverty and Public Policy, **University E. Mondlane**, Maputo (Mozambique) and
Independent Consultant

Feb 2000 to
June 2002

Programme Officer, Governance Unit, **UNDP Mozambique**

- Programme Officer responsible for projects in the area of governance (Support to provincial governments, Design of public sector training system, Assistance to Public Sector Reform and anti-corruption initiatives, Study on priorities for governance in Mozambique), in cooperation mainly with the Ministry of State Administration (UNDP, 2000/2)
- Programme Officer for local governance program in Nampula province, focusing on participatory planning and local investment funds, assisting the Ministry of Planning and Finance in the design of a national program for decentralised planning and financing (UNCDF, 2001-2)

Dec 1997 to Dec
1999

Senior Policy Adviser, Policy Analysis and Development Division, **Ministry of Treasury and Finance**, Papua New Guinea (ODI Fellowship Scheme)

- Technical work on the *Medium Term Resource Framework* of the Government, planning tool for sectoral expenditure planning and prioritising (Government of PNG, 1998-9)
- Coordinator of inter-departmental Technical Support Team on issues related the implementation of the 1999 National Budget of Papua New Guinea. Main areas of work: public sector reform, draft guidelines and follow-up monitoring work on major development projects, develop policy proposals in areas related to the implementation of the Budget, policy advice to Cabinet (Government of PNG, 1999)
- Executive and Research Officer for *Consultative Implementation and Monitoring Council* (CIMC), body set up to provide an arena for consultations among government, business and NGO representatives on major national policy issues, looking at areas such as informal sector development, law and order, rural health service delivery (Government of PNG, 1997-9)
- Member of Papua New Guinea Working Group on the review of the Development Cooperation Treaty between Papua New Guinea and Australia (Government of PNG, 1998)

Other Relevant Activities

- Visiting Researcher at Fundação Getulio Vargas, Rio de Janeiro (November 2011-February 2012, July 2012-present)
- Visiting Researcher at IBEI (Barcelona Institute for International Studies) (January-September 2011)
- Guest lecturer at University L. Bocconi (Milan), University of Antwerp, Harvard Kennedy School, Institute of Development Studies (Sussex), etc.
- Regular collaborator of the Collaborative Africa Budget Reform Initiative (CABRI), network of African Senior Budget Officials (2006-present)
- Seminar Tutor in MSc Development Management, London School of Economics and Political Science (2006/7)
- Member of Advisory Board for the IBP Partnership Initiative, a multi-year program in support of civil society budget monitoring and advocacy activities funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (2008-10)
- Regular referee for academic journals (e.g. *Journal of International Development*, *Development Policy Review*, *World Development*, *Development and Change*, *European Journal of Development Research*)
- Media experience: Radio and TV interviews (BBC, CNN).

Publications

Journal Articles

- J. Wehner and P. de Renzio (2012): 'Citizens, Legislators and Executive Disclosure: The Political Determinants of Fiscal Transparency'. *World Development* (published online, July 2012)
- P. de Renzio and D. Angemi (2012): 'Comrades or Culprits? Donor Engagement and Budget Transparency in Aid-Dependent Countries'. *Public Administration and Development* (published online, January 2012)
- P. de Renzio and H. Masud (2011): 'Measuring and Promoting Budget Transparency: The Open Budget Index as a Research and Advocacy Tool'. *Governance*, (forthcoming).
- P. de Renzio, R. Carlitz, V. Ramkumar and W. Krafchik (2009): "Budget Transparency around the World: Results from the 2008 Open Budget Survey", *OECD Journal on Budgeting*, Volume 2009/2, 81-97.
- P. de Renzio, P. Gomez and J. Sheppard (2009): "Budget Transparency and Development in Resource Dependent Countries", *International Social Science Journal*, 57-69.
- P. de Renzio (2007): "Paved with Good Intentions: The Role of Aid in Reaching the MDGs", *African Affairs*, 106/422, 133-140.
- P. de Renzio (2006): "Aid, Budgets and Accountability: A Survey Article", *Development Policy Review*, 24 (6), 627-648.
- P. de Renzio (2005): "Scaling Up vs. Absorptive Capacity: Challenges and Opportunities for Reaching the MDGs in Africa", *IDS Bulletin*, 36(3), 20-27.
- J. Harriss, P. de Renzio (1997): "The Missing Link or 'Analytically Missing': The Concept of Social Capital", *Journal of International Development*, 9(7), 919-937.
- P. de Renzio, D. Kavanamur (1999): "Tradition, Society and Development: Social Capital in Papua New Guinea", *Pacific Economic Bulletin*, November 1999.
- P. de Renzio (1998): "Capitale Sociale e Buon Governo: una discussione teorica con riferimento al caso boliviano", *Politica Internazionale*, Sep/Oct 1998.

Books and Book Chapters

- S. Khagran, A. Fung and P. de Renzio (eds.) (2013): *Open Budgets: The Political Economy of Transparency, Participation and Accountability*. Washington DC: Brookings Institution Press.
- J. Wehner and P. de Renzio (2013): "Designing Fiscal Institutions: The Political Economy of PFM Reforms", in R. Allen, R. Hemming and B. Potter (eds.) *The International Handbook of Public Financial Management*. Basingstoke: Palgrave MacMillan.
- P. de Renzio (2013): "Assessing and Comparing the Quality of Public Financial Management Systems: Theory, History and Evidence", in R. Allen, R. Hemming and B. Potter (eds.) *The International Handbook of Public Financial Management*. Basingstoke: Palgrave MacMillan.
- P. de Renzio (2008): "More Aid or Smarter Aid: Donors, Governance and Accountability", in R. Joseph and A. Gillies (eds) *Smart Aid for African Development*. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner.
- P. de Renzio and J. Hanlon (2008) "Mozambique: Contested Sovereignty? The Dilemmas of Aid Dependence", in L. Whitfield (ed.) *The Politics of Aid: African Strategies for Dealing with Donors*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- P. de Renzio (2008): "Budget Reforms in Mozambique: Towards a Political Economy Approach", in L. de Brito et al. (eds.) *Reflecting on Economic Questions: Papers presented at the IESE Inaugural Conference*. Maputo: Instituto de Estudos Sociais e Económicos.
- P. de Renzio and W. Krafchik (2008) "Budgeting for the Poor: Implications for Policy and Practice", in M. Robinson (ed.) *Budgeting for the Poor*. Basingstoke: Palgrave MacMillan.
- P. de Renzio and J. Shultz (2008) "Budget Work and Democracy-Building: The Case of Ibase in Brazil", in M. Robinson (ed.) *Budgeting for the Poor*. Basingstoke: Palgrave MacMillan.
- P. de Renzio, V. Azeem and V. Ramkumar (2008) "Budget Monitoring as an Advocacy Tool: The Uganda Debt Network", in M. Robinson (ed.) *Budgeting for the Poor*. Basingstoke: Palgrave MacMillan.
- P. de Renzio and S. Mulley (2007): "Donor Coordination and Good Governance: Donor-led and Recipient-led Approaches", in J. Welsh and N. Woods (eds) *Exporting Good Governance*. Waterloo: Wilfrid Laurier University Press.
- D. Booth, K. Christiansen and P. de Renzio (2006): "Reconciling Alignment and Performance in Budget Support Programmes: What Next?", in S. Koeberle (ed.): "Budget Support as More Effective Aid?", World Bank, Washington DC.

Working Papers, Reports and other publications

- P. de Renzio and R. Simson (2013): "Transparency for What? The Usefulness of Publicly Available Budget Information in African Countries". London: Overseas Development Institute.
- P. de Renzio (2011): "Buying Better Governance: The political economy of budget reforms in aid-dependent countries".

GEG Working Paper 2011/65. Oxford: Global Economic Governance Programme.

P. de Renzio (2011): "Can Donors 'Buy' Better Governance? The political economy of budget reforms in Mozambique". Caderno IESE No. 9. Maputo: Instituto de Estudos Sociais e Económicos.

P. de Renzio, M. Andrews and Z. Mills (2011): "Does donor support to public financial management reforms in developing countries work? An analytical study of quantitative cross-country evidence". ODI Working Paper 329. London: Overseas Development Institute.

P. de Renzio (2009): "Assessing Budget Institutions and Budget Reforms in Developing Countries: Overview of theoretical approaches and empirical evidence". Evaluation of Donor Support to Public Finance Management (PFM) Reform in Developing Countries (Fiscus Ltd.)

P. de Renzio (2009): "Tacking Stock: What do PEFA Assessments tell us about the Quality of PFM Systems across countries?", ODI Working Paper 302. London: Overseas Development Institute.

P. de Renzio (co-author, 2009): "Open Budgets. Transform Lives. The Open Budget Survey 2008". Washington DC: International Budget Partnership.

P. de Renzio (co-author, 2009): "Budget Practices and Procedures in Africa 2008". Pretoria: CABRI and African Development Bank.

P. de Renzio and A. Mejia Acosta (2008) "Aid, Rents and the Politics of the Budget Process", IDS Working Paper 311. Brighton: Institute of Development Studies.

P. de Renzio (co-author, 2009): "Minding the Gaps: Integrating Poverty Reduction Strategies and Budgets for Domestic Accountability". Washington DC: World Bank.

E. Anderson, P. de Renzio and S. Levy (2006): "The Role of Public Investment in Poverty Reduction: Theories, Evidence and Methods", ODI Working Paper 263. London: Overseas Development Institute.

P. de Renzio with D. Booth, A. Rogerson and Z. Curran (2005): "Incentives for Harmonisation and Alignment in Aid Agencies", ODI Working Paper 248. London: Overseas Development Institute.

P. de Renzio (1999): "Bigmen and Wantoks: Social Capital and Group Behaviour in Papua New Guinea", Queen Elizabeth House Working Paper No. 27, University of Oxford.

Other briefing papers and opinions published on www.odi.org.uk.

Articles published in *The Guardian*, *Diario* and *lavoce.info*.

Languages

ENGLISH	Fluent	FRENCH	Good
ITALIAN	Mother tongue	SPANISH	Intermediate
PORTUGUESE	Fluent		

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