

Livia De Simone

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BIOGRAPHY

Livia De Simone joined Lear as a Consultant in May 2022. She previously worked in London as a competition economist at the Financial Conduct Authority, the financial services regulator in the UK, where she worked on numerous projects to assess competition in the UK financial services markets. Prior to that, she worked as an economist in London for a consultancy specialised in energy demand forecasting.

In 2016 Livia earned a Master of Science (MSc) in Economics from the University of Bologna, during which she spent one semester abroad at the University of California Berkeley in the United States as an exchange student. She earned a bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Roma Tre in 2014, during which she studied for one year abroad at the University of Edinburgh as an exchange student.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2022-present	LEAR – LABORATORIO DI ECONOMIA, ANTITRUST E REGOLAMENTAZIONE Consultancy Consultant
2018-2022	FINANCIAL CONDUCT AUTHORITY – FINANCIAL SERVICES REGULATOR Competition & Economics Division Associate, then Senior Associate Economist
2016-2018	TESLA EUROPE LTD Consultancy Economist
2013-2013	WORLD CUSTOMS ORGANIZATION Intern

EDUCATION

2014-2016	Alma Mater Studiorum University Of Bologna MSc in Economics
2016-2016	UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY Berkeley Economics Semester Abroad Program
2011-2014	UNIVERSITY OF ROMA TRE BSc in Economics
2013-2014	UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH Erasmus program

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Italian: native language

English: fluent in reading, writing and speaking

French: fluent in reading, writing and speaking

MAIN CONSULTANCY PROJECTS

2022 – present	<u>Alleged cartel in the market for corrugated cardboard boxes</u> <i>Activities performed:</i> Support in designing the analysis to rebut the damages claim made by the claimant; data cleaning and analysis with STATA.
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OTHER PROJECT EXPERIENCE

2021-2022	Led work on competition in the provision of trading data and benchmarks within a Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) study of UK wholesale data markets.
2020-2022	Provided economic advice and analysis to competition lawyers in a number of FCA competition investigations.
2020	Led work within an FCA study to assess the competition implications of firms failure due to Covid-19 in wholesale financial markets in the UK.
2020	Member of a team coordinating the FCA input for the Bank of England's quarterly Financial Policy Committee work on financial stability risks.
2018-2019	Led work on international comparisons within an FCA study on the credit information market in the UK.
2018-2019	Contributed to work on consumer behaviors within an FCA study on the credit information market in the UK.