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## Research Interests

**Topics:** Climate change risk management, mitigation and adaptation policies, tradeoffs and co-benefits between multiple environmental and economic objectives. Long-term scenarios of energy system decarbonization, innovation in clean energy technologies, energy conservation through behavioral change.

**Methods:** Integrated assessment modelling (WITCH, RICE50+), Multi-objective evolutionary optimization (BORG), Optimization under uncertainty (Direct Policy Search, Approximate Dynamic Programming), Sensitivity analysis (global, scenario-based decomposition), Unsupervised machine learning

## Working Experiences

- Sep 2022 – **Assistant Professor (Tenure Track)**, *Multi-Actor Systems Department, Faculty of Technology, Policy and Management, Delft University of Technology (TU Delft), Netherlands*
- Jan 2021 – **Assistant Professor (RTD-A)**, *Department of Management, Economics and Industrial Engineering, Politecnico di Milano, Italy*  
Aug 2022
- Sep 2018 – **Researcher**, *Department of Management, Economics and Industrial Engineering, Politecnico di Milano, Italy*  
Jan 2021
- Sep 2017 – **Post Doctoral Scholar**, *Earth and Environmental Systems Institute, Penn State University, University Park, USA*  
Aug 2018
- May 2011 – **Junior Researcher**, *Mitigation, Innovation and Transformation Pathways Programme, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei (FEEM), Milan, Italy*  
Aug 2017

## Education

- Nov 2012 – **PhD**, *Department of Management and Applied Economics Engineering, Polytechnic of Milan, Italy*  
Feb 2017
- Jan 2015 – **Visiting Scholar**, *Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences, University of California, Berkeley, USA*  
Jul 2015
- Sep 2008 – **Master's**, *Control Systems Engineering, University of Padova, Italy*  
Dec 2010

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## Publications

### Selected Refereed Journal Articles

- 2023 A. Mastrucci, L. Niamir, B. Boza-Kiss, N. Bento, D. Wiedenhofer, J. Streeck, S. Pachauri, C. Wilson, S. Chatterjee, F. Creutzig, S. Dukkupati, W. Feng, A. Grubler, J. Jupesta, P. Kumar, **G. Marangoni**, et al. "Modeling Low Energy Demand Futures for Buildings: Current State and Research Needs. Annual Review of Environment and Resources". Annual Review of Environment and Resources. DOI: [10.1146/annurev-environ-112321-102921](https://doi.org/10.1146/annurev-environ-112321-102921)
- 2022 C. Guivarch, T. Le Gallic, N. Bauer, P. Fragkos, D. Huppmann, M. Jaxa-Rozen, I. Keppo, E. Kriegler, T. Krisztin, **G. Marangoni** et al. "Using Large Ensembles of Climate Change Mitigation Scenarios for Robust Insights.", Nature Climate Change. DOI: [10.1038/s41558-022-01349-x](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41558-022-01349-x)
- 2022 F. Colelli, J. Emmerling, **G. Marangoni**, M. Mistry, E. De Cian. "Increased Energy Use for Adaptation Significantly Impacts Mitigation Pathways.", Nature Communications. DOI: [10.1038/s41467-022-32471-1](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-022-32471-1)
- 2021 **G. Marangoni**, J. Lamontagne, J. Quinn, P. Reed, K. Keller. "Adaptive mitigation strategies hedge against extreme climate futures", Climatic Change. DOI: [10.1007/s10640-009-9269-5](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10640-009-9269-5)
- 2021 **G. Marangoni**, M. Tavoni. "Real-time feedback on electricity consumption: evidence from a field experiment in Italy", Energy Efficiency. DOI: [10.1007/s12053-020-09922-z](https://doi.org/10.1007/s12053-020-09922-z)
- 2021 P. Gazzotti, J. Emmerling, **G. Marangoni**, A. Castelletti, K. van der Wijst, A. Hof, M. Tavoni. "Persistent inequality in economically optimal climate policies", Nature Communications. DOI: [10.1038/s41467-021-23613-y](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-021-23613-y)
- 2021 E. Brutschin, S. Pianta, M. Tavoni, K. Riahi, V. Bosetti, **G. Marangoni**, B. van Ruijven. "A multidimensional feasibility evaluation of low-carbon scenarios", Environmental Research Letters. DOI: [10.1088/1748-9326/abf0ce](https://doi.org/10.1088/1748-9326/abf0ce)
- 2019 J. Lamontagne, P. Reed, **G. Marangoni**, K. Keller, G. Garner. "Robust abatement pathways to tolerable climate futures require immediate global action", Nature Climate Change. DOI: [10.1038/s41558-019-0426-8](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41558-019-0426-8)
- 2016 **G. Marangoni**, M. Tavoni, V. Bosetti, E. Borgonovo, P. Capros, O. Fricko, D. Gernaat, C. Guivarch, P. Havlik, D. Huppmann, N. Johnson, P. Karkatsoulis, I. Keppo, V. Krey, E. Ó Broin, J. Price, D. P. van Vuuren. "Sensitivity of projected long-term CO<sub>2</sub> emissions across the Shared Socio-economic Pathways", Nature Climate Change. DOI: [10.1038/nclimate3199](https://doi.org/10.1038/nclimate3199)
- 2016 J. Jewell, V. Vinichenko, D. McCollum, N. Bauer, K. Riahi, T. Aboumahboub, O. Fricko, M. Harmsen, T. Kober, V. Krey, **G. Marangoni**, M. Tavoni, D. P. van Vuuren, B. van der Zwaan, A. Cherp. "Comparison and interactions between the long-term pursuit of energy independence and climate policies", Nature Energy. DOI: [10.1038/nenergy.2016.73](https://doi.org/10.1038/nenergy.2016.73)
- 2015 V. Bosetti, **G. Marangoni**, E. Borgonovo, L. Diaz Anadon, R. Barron, H. C. McJeon, S. Politis, and P. Friley. "Sensitivity to energy technology costs: A multi-model comparison analysis", Energy Policy. DOI: [10.1016/j.enpol.2014.12.012](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.enpol.2014.12.012)
- 2015 M. Tavoni, E. Kriegler, K. Riahi, D. P. van Vuuren, T. Aboumahboub, A. Bowen, K. Calvin, E. Campiglio, T. Kober, J. Jewell, G. Luderer, **G. Marangoni**, D. McCollum, M. van Sluisveld, A. Zimmer, and B. van der Zwaan. "Post-2020 climate agreements in the major economies assessed in the light of global models", Nature Climate Change. DOI: [10.1038/nclimate2475](https://doi.org/10.1038/nclimate2475)
- 2014 H. McJeon, J. Edmonds, N. Bauer, L. Clarke, B. Fisher, B. P. Flannery, J. Hilaire, V. Krey, **G. Marangoni**, R. Mi, K. Riahi, H. Rogner, and M. Tavoni. "Limited impact on decadal-scale climate change from increased use of natural gas", Nature. DOI: [10.1038/nature13837](https://doi.org/10.1038/nature13837)

- 2014 **G. Marangoni** and M. Tavoni. “The clean energy R&D strategy for 2°C”, *Climate Change Economics*. DOI: [10.1142/S201000781440003X](https://doi.org/10.1142/S201000781440003X)
- [Other Refereed Journal Articles](#)
- 2021 O. Edelenbosch, D. Rovelli, A. Levesque, **G. Marangoni**, M. Tavoni. “Long term, cross-country effects of buildings insulation policies”, *Technological Forecasting and Social Change*. DOI: [10.1016/j.techfore.2021.120887](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.techfore.2021.120887)
- 2018 J. Rogelj, A. Popp, K. Calvin, G. Luderer, J. Emmerling, D. Gernaat, S. Fujimori, J. Strefler, T. Hasegawa, **G. Marangoni**, V. Krey, E. Kriegler, K. Riahi, D. P. van Vuuren, J. Doelman, L. Drouet, J. Edmonds, O. Fricko, M. Harmsen, P. Havlik, F. Humpenöder, E. Stehfest, and M. Tavoni. “Scenarios towards limiting global mean temperature increase below 1.5°C”, *Nature Climate Change*. DOI: [10.1038/s41558-018-0091-3](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41558-018-0091-3)
- 2018 A. Vinca, M. Rottoli, **G. Marangoni**, and M. Tavoni. “The role of carbon capture and storage electricity in attaining 1.5 and 2°C”, *International Journal of Greenhouse Gas Control*. DOI: [10.1016/j.ijggc.2018.07.020](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijggc.2018.07.020)
- 2016 E. De Cian, A. F. Hof, **G. Marangoni**, M. Tavoni, D. P. van Vuuren. “Alleviating inequality in climate policy costs: an integrated perspective on mitigation, damage and adaptation”, *Environmental Research Letters*. DOI: [10.1088/1748-9326/11/7/074015](https://doi.org/10.1088/1748-9326/11/7/074015)
- 2016 K. Riahi, D. P. van Vuuren, E. Kriegler, J. Edmonds, B. C. O’Neill, S. Fujimori, N. Bauer, K. Calvin, R. Dellink, O. Fricko, W. Lutz, A. Popp, J. C. Cuaresma, S. KC, M. Leimbach, L. Jiang, T. Kram, S. Rao, J. Emmerling, K. Ebi, T. Hasegawa, P. Havlik, F. Humpenöder, L. A. D. Silva, S. Smith, E. Stehfest, V. Bosetti, J. Eom, D. Gernaat, T. Masui, J. Rogelj, J. Strefler, L. Drouet, V. Krey, G. Luderer, M. Harmsen, K. Takahashi, L. Baumstark, J. C. Doelman, M. Kainuma, Z. Klimont, **G. Marangoni**, H. Lotze-Campen, M. Obersteiner, A. Tabeau, and M. Tavoni. “The Shared Socioeconomic Pathways and their energy, land use, and greenhouse gas emissions implications: An overview”, *Global Environmental Change*. DOI: [10.1016/j.gloenvcha.2016.05.009](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gloenvcha.2016.05.009)
- 2016 N. Bauer, K. Calvin, J. Emmerling, O. Fricko, S. Fujimori, J. Hilaire, J. Eom, V. Krey, E. Kriegler, I. Mouratiadou, H. S. de Boer, M. van den Berg, S. Carrara, V. Daioglou, L. Drouet, J. E. Edmonds, D. Gernaat, P. Havlik, N. Johnson, D. Klein, P. Kyle, **G. Marangoni**, T. Masui, R. C. Pietzcker, M. Strubegger, M. Wise, K. Riahi, and D. P. van Vuuren. “Shared socio-economic pathways of the energy sector — quantifying the narratives”, *Global Environmental Change*. DOI: [10.1016/j.gloenvcha.2016.07.006](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gloenvcha.2016.07.006)
- 2016 S. Carrara, **G. Marangoni**. “Including system integration of variable renewable energies in a constant elasticity of substitution framework: The case of the WITCH model”, *Energy Economics*. DOI: [10.1016/j.eneco.2016.08.017](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eneco.2016.08.017)
- 2015 P. L. Lucas, J. Nielsen, K. Calvin, D. McCollum, **G. Marangoni**, J. Strefler, B. C. C. van der Zwaan, D. P. van Vuuren. “Future energy system challenges for Africa: Insights from Integrated Assessment Models”, *Energy Policy*. DOI: [10.1016/j.enpol.2015.08.017](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.enpol.2015.08.017)
- 2013 D. McCollum, Y. Nagai, K. Riahi, **G. Marangoni**, K. Calvin, R. Pietzcker, J. Van Vliet, and B. Van Der Zwaan. “Energy investments under climate policy: A comparison of global models”, *Climate Change Economics*. DOI: [10.1142/S2010007813400101](https://doi.org/10.1142/S2010007813400101)
- 2013 S. Carrara and **G. Marangoni**. “Non-CO<sub>2</sub> greenhouse gas mitigation modeling with marginal abatement cost curves: Technical change, emission scenarios and policy costs”, *Economics and Policy of Energy and the Environment*. DOI: [10.3280/EFE2013-001006](https://doi.org/10.3280/EFE2013-001006)

- 2013 B. C. C. Van Der Zwaan, H. Rösler, T. Kober, T. Aboumahboub, K. V. Calvin, D. E. H. J. Gernaat, **G. Marangoni**, and D. Mccollum. “A cross-model comparison of global long-term technology diffusion under a 2°C climate change control target”, *Climate Change Economics*. DOI: [10.1142/S2010007813400137](https://doi.org/10.1142/S2010007813400137)
- 2013 C. Carraro, M. Davide, V. Barbi, and **G. Marangoni**. “Science advancements, policy immobility: The two faces of climate (in)action”, *Economics and Policy of Energy and the Environment*. DOI: [10.3280/EFE2013-003001](https://doi.org/10.3280/EFE2013-003001)

#### Other Publications

- 2020 B. Brian, R. Hanes, C. Hunter, C. Hughes, M. Mann, E. Newes, ..., **G. Marangoni**, et al. 2020. “Workshop Report on Methods for R&D Portfolio Analysis and Evaluation”. Golden, CO: National Renewable Energy Laboratory. [NREL/TP-6A20-75314](https://www.nrel.gov/pdfs/TP-6A20-75314.pdf)
- 2018 R. Lempert, **G. Marangoni**, K. Keller, and J. Duke. “Is Climate Restoration an Appropriate Climate Policy Goal?”, RAND Corporation research report. DOI: [10.7249/RR2442](https://doi.org/10.7249/RR2442)
- 2017 **G. Marangoni**. “Strategic investment decisions in the energy supply and demand sectors under uncertain technical change and sustainability concerns”. *PhD Thesis*
- 2017 **G. Marangoni**, G. de Maere, V. Bosetti. “Optimal Clean Energy R&D Investments Under Uncertainty”. *SSRN*
- 2017 A. Vinca, M. Rottoli, **G. Marangoni**, M. Tavoni. “The Role of Carbon Capture and Storage Electricity in Attaining 1.5 and 2°C”. *SSRN*
- 2016 J. Emmerling, L. Drouet, L. A. Reis, M. Bevione, L. Berger, V. Bosetti, S. Carrara, E. De Cian, G. De Maere D’Aertrycke, T. Longden, M. Malpede, **G. Marangoni**, F. Sferra, M. Tavoni, J. Witajewski-Baltvilks, P. Havlik. “The WITCH 2016 Model-Documentation and Implementation of the Shared Socioeconomic Pathways”. *SSRN*
- 2015 D. A. Raitzer, F. Bosello, M. Tavoni, C. Orecchia, **G. Marangoni**, J. N. G. Samson. “Southeast Asia and the Economics of Global Climate Stabilization”, *Asian Development Bank Report*
- 2013 C. Carraro, T. Longden, G. Marangoni, M. Tavoni. “The Optimal Energy Mix in Power Generation and the Contribution from Natural Gas in Reducing Carbon Emissions to 2030 and Beyond”. *SSRN*

#### Main Collaborations under Research Grants

- 2020 – 2022 **NEWTRENDS** (European Union Horizon 2020 Grant N° 893311) “NEW TRENDS in energy demand modeling making”
- 2019 – 2022 **NAVIGATE** (European Union Horizon 2020 Grant N° 821124) “Next generation of AdVanced InteGrated Assessment modelling to support climaTE policy making”
- 2018 – 2019 **COBHAM** (European Union ERC-2013-StG Grant N° 336155) “The role of consumer behavior and heterogeneity in the integrated assessment of energy and climate policies”
- 2017 – 2018 **SCRiM** (National Science Foundation cooperative agreement GEO-1240507) “Sustainable Climate Risk Management”
- 2015 **ECOCEP** (European Union FP7-PEOPLE-2013-IRSES Grant N° 609642) “Economic Modeling for Climate-Energy Policy”
- 2013 – 2016 **ADVANCE** (European Union FP7/2007-2013 Grant N° 308329) “Advanced Model Development and Validation for Improved Analysis of Costs and Impacts of Mitigation Policies”
- 2011 – 2014 **LIMITS** (European Union FP7/2007-2013 Grant N° 282846) “Low climate IMPact scenarios and the Implications of required Tight emission control Strategies”

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## Awards

- 2017 PhD degree with honors
- 2010 Master's degree with honors
- 2008 Bachelor's degree with honors

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## PhD Supervision

- 2023 – A. Poujon. “Social-tipping points in sustainability transitions: linking international negotiations to national opinions”
- 2018 – 2022 P. Gazzotti. “Integrated Assessment and Agent-Based Modeling techniques to explore optimal climate change mitigation policies and countries negotiation strategies in international climate agreements”

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## Teaching

- 2023 – Co-teach MSc course *Machine Learning for Socio-Technical Systems* (TU Delft)
- 2022 – Co-teach MSc course *Model-based decision making* (TU Delft)
- 2019 – Co-teach MSc course *Energy Modelling And Scenarios* (Polytechnic of Milan, Italy)
- 2016 – 2017
- 2021 – Co-teach MSc course *Integration of Nuclear and Renewable energy for carbon neutral scenarios* (Polytechnic of Milan, Italy)
- 2021 – Co-teach MSc course *Global Environmental Challenges* (Polytechnic of Milan, Italy)

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## Scientific Affiliations

- Sep 2018 – Sustainable Earth Modelling Economics Programme, RFF-CMCC European Institute on Economics and the Environment, Milan, Italy
- May 2011 – Economic analysis of Climate Impacts and Policy Division, Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change (CMCC), Milan, Italy
- Aug 2017

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## Professional Services

### Contributing Author

- 2022 IPCC. “AR6 Scenarios Database” [Byers et al.]. Part of “Climate Change 2022: Mitigation of Climate Change. Contribution of Working Group III to the Sixth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change” [Shukla et al.]. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, United Kingdom and New York, NY, USA.
- 2014 IPCC. “Assessing transformation pathways” [Clarke et al.]. Chapter 6 of “Climate Change 2014: Mitigation of Climate Change. Contribution of Working Group III to the Fifth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change” [Edenhofer et al.]. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, United Kingdom and New York, NY, USA

### Reviewer of Journals

Nature Climate Change, Nature Communications, Energy Economics, Energy Policy, Energy Efficiency, European Journal of Operational Research, Technological Forecasting and Social Change

## International Conferences

- IAMC Integrated Assessment Modeling Consortium Annual Meeting. 2023, 2020, 2019.
- DMDU Society for Decision Making under Deep Uncertainty Annual Meeting. 2023, 2018, 2017.
- fPET Forum on Philosophy, Engineering & Technology. 2023.
- AMaMeF Advanced Mathematical Methods for Finance General Conference. 2021.
- IEW International Energy Workshop. 2021, 2019, 2016, 2014, 2013.
- DAS INFORMS Advances in Decision Analysis Conference. 2019.
- SSP Forum on Scenarios for Climate and Societal Futures. 2019.
- EGU European Geosciences Union General Assembly. 2018.
- INFORMS INFORMS Annual Meeting. 2017.
- IAEE International Association of Energy Economists European Conference. 2014.
- SISC SISC Annual Conference. 2014.

## Computer Languages

- Main: Python, GAMS, Bash, JavaScript,  $\LaTeX$
- Secondary: R, Java, C/C++, SQL, MATLAB, AMPL, Lisp
- Coding `gdxcompare`
- Examples: `gdxpy`