

## Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum

**Name:** Stefano Caputo

**Born:** Palermo 25/10/1969

### Affiliation

University of Sassari, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences.

### Position

Associate Professor in Philosophy of Language (SSD: M-FIL/05).

### Memberships in Research Centres/Groups

- Member of *Labont* (Laboratory of Ontology), Turin.
- Member of *LLC* (Centre for Logic, Language and Cognition), Turin.

### Memberships in Editorial Boards

- *Argumenta. Journal of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy*

### Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of Language, Metaphysics

### Areas of Competence

Philosophy of language, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mind, Logic, History of Philosophy.

### Current Research

Theories of truth; truth and factually-defective discourse; truth-relativism; truth-pluralism; grounding and metaphysical explanations; philosophical analyses; foundational issues in semantics (e.g. truth-conditionals vs non truth-conditionals theories of meaning).

### Qualifications

- **17-10- 2014** -National Academic Qualification (ASN) as Assistant Professor in Philosophy of language.
- **05-09-2000** – Qualification as Teacher of History and Philosophy in the Secondary School.

### Education

- **2000 – 2004:** Ph.D. in Philosophy of Language, University of Eastern Piedmont (Vercelli), dissertation title: *Truthmakers* , Supervisor, Prof. Diego Marconi; Jury: Prof. Kevin Mulligan, Prof. Marco Santambrogio, Prof. Gianfranco Soldati.
- **1998-1999:** Visiting Student at University Sorbonne (Paris IV) and Crea (Centre de Recherche en Epistémologie Appliquée).

- **1997:** B.A., University of Turin, Dissertation: *Pratiche e soggettività. La filosofia di Michel Foucault fra fenomenologia e psicologia* [Practices and Subjectivity. The Philosophy of Michel Foucault between Psychology and Phenomenology], (Supervisor, Prof. Gianni Vattimo).

### **Grants**

- **2009-2012:** Research-Grant, University of Sassari.
- **2000-2004:** four-years PhD Grant, University of Eastern Piedmont.
- **2000:** Grant for the International Summer School of Analytic Philosophy (Parma, Italy).
- **1999:** One-year Grant for Research and Teaching Support, University of Turin.
- **1998:** Grant for the International Summer School of Analytic Philosophy (Bertinoro, Italy).
- **1998:** One-year Grant for Specialization Studies Abroad, University of Turin (I spent one year as a visiting student in Paris).
- **1997:** One-year Grant for Research and Teaching Support, University of Turin.

### **Publications**

#### **In English**

##### **Articles and Book's Chapters**

- “Grounding and Analytical Explanations. A Plea for Antirealism” (forthcoming July 2025 *Disputatio*).
- “The Tip and the Bottom. What Makes an Estimate true?”, in Giuffrida, S., Trovato, M.R., Fattinanzi, E., Rosato, P., Oppio, A. (eds.), *Valuation Science. Natural Structures, Technological Infrastructures, Cultural Superstructures*, Springer, 2024, pp. 53-64.
- “One but not the Same”, *Phenomenology and Mind*, 24, 2023, pp. 64-74
- “How Existential Dependence Can ground Existential Grounding” , *Dialectica*, 75(2): 211–226.
- “Introduction. Ten Trips Around the Conceptual Galaxy of the Otherness” (with Massimo Dell’Utri), in: Dell’Utri M., Caputo S. (eds.) *The Other(s), Rivista di Estetica*, 56, pp. 3- 12, 2014.
- “Three Dilemmas for Alethic Functionalism”, *The Philosophical Quarterly*, vol.62, 2012, pp. 853-861, 2012.
- “Language” (with C. Barbero), in: Andina T. (ed.), *Bridging the Analytical Continental Divide*, Brill, pp. 65-107, Leiden-Boston, 2014.
- “Introduction” (with Fabio Bacchini and Massimo Dell’Utri), in: Bacchini F., Caputo S., Dell’Utri M. (eds.), *New Frontiers in Truth*, Cambridge Scholars Publishing, pp. 7-14, 2014□
- “Introductory Note” (with Fabio Bacchini and Massimo Dell’Utri), in: Bacchini F., Caputo S., Dell’Utri M. (eds.), *Metaphysics and Ontology without Myths*, Cambridge Scholars Publishing, pp. 7-9, 2014.

- "Introduction" (with Fabio Bacchini and Massimo Dell'Utri), in: Bacchini F., Caputo S., Dell'Utri M. (eds.), *New Advances in Causation Agency and Moral Responsibility*, Cambridge Scholars Publisher, pp. 7-12, 2014
- "The Dependence of Truth on Being: Is there a Problem for Minimalism? ", in: Hoeltje M., Schnieder B., Steinberg A. (eds.): *The Varieties of Dependence*, Munich: Philosophia Verlag, 2013, pp. 297-324.
- "Truth-making: What It Is Not and What It Could Be", in: Monnoyer J.M. (ed.) *Metaphysics and Truthmakers*, Ontos Verlag, 2007, pp. 275-311.
- "Review of "Giorgio Volpe, Teorie della verità (Theories of Truth)", Franco Angeli, Milano, 2005", *Dialectica*, 63, pp. 106-10. [Book's Review]

### **Edited Volumes**

- *The Other(s)*, (with Massimo dell'Utri), (Special Issue of *Rivista di Estetica*, 56, 2014.
- *New Frontiers in Truth*, (with Fabio Bacchini and Massimo dell'Utri), Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2014.
- *Metaphysics and Ontology without Myths*, (with Fabio Bacchini and Massimo Dell'Utri), Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2014.
- *New Advances in Causation Agency and Moral Responsibility*, (with Fabio Bacchini and Massimo Dell'Utri), Cambridge Scholars Publisher, 2014.

### **In Italian**

#### **Books**

- *Significato. Dalla filosofia analitica alle scienze cognitive* (con Carola Barbero), Carocci, Roma, 2018.
- *Verità*, Biblioteca essenziale, Laterza, Roma-Bari, 2015.
- *Fattori di verità*, Albo Versorio, Milano, 2005.

#### **Articles and Book's Chapters**

- "Le due verità", *Rivista di Estetica*, 63, pp. 178-187, 2016.
- "Realtà e rappresentazione. L'antirealismo costruttivista al di fuori del postmoderno", in *Rivista di Estetica*, 60, pp. 43-53, 2015.
- "Dialogo sui valori e sulla verità" (with V. Mura) in Sau R., (ed.), *La politica. Categorie in questione*, Franco Angeli, pp. 25-50, 2015.
- "Linguaggio" (with Carola Barbero), in T. Andina (ed.), *Filosofia contemporanea*, Carocci, Roma, pp. 93-142, 2012.
- "I Fattori di verità", *Aphex*. Portale italiano di filosofia analitica, 2011,  
<http://www.aphex.it/index.php?Temi=557D030122027403210005767773>.

- “La verità nel XXI secolo”, in: Carrara M., Morato V. (eds.), *Verità. Bollettino della Società italiana di filosofia analitica*, Mimesis, Milano, pp. 3-57, 2010.
- “Verità e fattori di verità”, in: Ferraris M. (ed.), *Storia dell’ontologia*, Bompiani, pp. 601- 621, 2010.
- “Cose e Fatti” (with Francesco Martinello), *Rivista di Estetica*, 25, 2004, pp. 15-48, 2004.
- “Frege e Husserl: due ontologie del significato”, *Rivista di estetica*, 17, 2001, pp. 37-64.

### Reviews

- “Gillian Russell, Truth in Virtue of Meaning. A Defence of the Analytic/Synthetic distinction, Oxford University Press, Oxford-New York, 2008”, in: R. Davies (ed.), *Analisi, Bollettino della Società italiana di filosofia analitica*, Mimesis, Milano, 2011.
- “A. Iacona, L’argomentazione. Nuova edizione, Einaudi, Torino, 2010”, *Philosophical News*, 1, p. 153, 2010, <http://www.philosophicalnews.com/pdf/22.pdf>.
- “D. Davidson, Sulla verità, Laterza, Roma-Bari, 2006”, *Rivista di Filosofia*, 2007, pp. 165- 166.
- “A. Iacona, Propositions, Einaudi, Torino, 2003”, *Rivista di Estetica*, 23, 2003, pp. 240- 241.

### Talks and Conferences

- Roundtable on “Truth, Normativity and Disagreement”, Bologna, 02/07/2025
- “Oggettività e verità”, Workshop on “Objectivity”, Alghero, 28/05/2025
- “Deflating Grounding”, XV Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, Alessandria, 7-9 September 2023.
- “Does Grounding Ground Existential Dependence or the Other Way Around”, XIV Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, Noto, 22-24 September 2022.
- “The Dependence of Truth on Being: Is There a Problem for Minimalism?”, *Virtual International Consortium for Truth Research* (<https://oohlah.wixsite.com/mysite>), 24 May 2021 (invited speaker).
- “The just One Entity Argument against Realism About Grounding”, *Metaphysical Explanation III*, Lund, Jan 8-9 2020
- “Come un gelato al limone? I giudizi di estimo: gusti e/o realtà?”, *Scienza delle valutazioni. Strutture naturali, infrastrutture tecnologiche, sovrastrutture culturali* (Convegno nazionale della SIEV, Società italiana di estimo e valutazione), Siracusa, 11-12 July 2019 (invited speaker).
- “Una lunga storia d’amore: Marconi, Tarski e i V-bicondizionali”, *Non so se mi spiego*. Giornata di studi dedicata a Diego Marconi, Torino 12 June 2017 (invited speaker).
- “Le teorie embodied del significato alla prova della verità”, XXII Convegno nazionale della Società italiana di filosofia del linguaggio, Bologna, 19-21 Jan. 2017.

- “Analytic Explanations: a Plea for Antirealism about Grounding”, XXII Italian Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, Pistoia 5-7 Sept. 2016.
- “An Argument against Realism about Grounding”, Fifth Italian Conference of Analytic Ontology, Padova 27-29 Jun., 2016.
- “Che cos’è la verità?”, Università Ca’ Foscari, Venezia, 15 Mar. 2016.
- “Verità”, Università di Palermo, 6 Nov. 2015.
- “Due problemi per il funzionalismo aletico”, Seminar “*Il pluralismo aletico*”, Università di Bologna, 3 Dec. 2014 (invited speaker).
- “Verità, realismo e ambiti di discorso non fattuali”, Conference *Realtà, verità, rappresentazione*, Università di Cagliari, 5-7 June 2013, (invited speaker).
- Presentation of the book “Filosofia Contemporanea” (ed. by Tiziana Andina), 11 Apr. 2013, Università di Sassari.
- “Why ... *because* ...? The ground of grounding”, *III PERSP Metaphysics Workshop*, València, 14- 15 Sept. 2012, (invited speaker).
- “Against Alethic Functionalism”, *Ecap 7: Seventh European Congress of Analytic Philosophy*, Milano 1-6 Sept. 2011.
- “Cetto Laqualunque e il relativismo morale”, *Lost in Translation II - L’Altro*, Sassari 15-18 Mar. 2011.
- “Are there Any Austinian Propositions?” (with Giuliano Torrenzo), *Sifa (Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy) National Conference* Padova, 23-25 Sept. 2010.
- “Is the Dependence of Truth on Being Really a Problem for Deflationism?” *Workshop “Nothing But the Truth”*, Berlino, 12-13 Aug. 2010, (invited speaker).
- “Explanatory Asymmetry and the Theory of Truth”, *Conference Sopha* (Société Francophone de Philosophie Analytique), Geneve, Sept. 2009.
- “Deflationism and Explanatory Asymmetry”, *Sifa (Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy) National Conference*, Bergamo, Sept. 2008.
- “Do We Really Need an Ontological Ground?”, *Colloque International Gustav Bergmann*, Aix en Provence, 9-11 Dec. 2006 (invited speaker).
- “What Truth-Making could be”, *5th ESAP Conference* (European Society of Analytic Philosophy), Lisbon, Aug. 2005.
- “Cosa potrebbe essere il rendere vero?”, *Sifa (Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy) National Conference*, Genova, Sept. 2004.
- “Verità e fattori di verità”, *National PhD Conference*, Reggio Emilia, Dec. 2002.

### Organized Conferences

- *Truth in Evaluation II*, Alghero, 12-14 June, 2023.
- *Truth in Evaluation I*, Alghero, 26-28 September, 2022.
- *Truth: Deflationism and Beyond*, Alghero 22-23 Sept. 2016.
- *Grounding Grounding*, Alghero, 28-29 Oct. 2016.
- *SIFA (Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy) Midterm Conference “Truth and Persuasion”*, Sassari, 24-26 Sept. 2015.
- *X<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy “The Answers of Philosophy”*, Alghero, 12-15 Sept. 2012.

### Participation to funded Research Programs

- Project title: *Modelli e inferenze nella scienza. Aspetti logici, epistemologici e cognitivi* (Models and Inferences in Science. Logical, Epistemological and Cognitive Aspects). (Prin), funded by: Ministero dell'Università e delle ricerca scientifica; duration: 2012-2014; national coordinator: prof. Lorenzo Magnani; Sassari's unit coordinator: prof. Fabio Bacchini.
- Project title: *Aspetti della Verità (Aspects of Truth)* (Prin), funded by: *Ministero dell'Università e della Ricerca Scientifica*; duration: 2008-2010; coordinatore: *prof. Diego Marconi*.
- Project title: *Canone ontologico. Un approccio integrato all'organizzazione della conoscenza* (Ontological Canon. An Integrated Approach to Knowledge Organization) (Prin); funded by: *Ministero dell'Università e della Ricerca Scientifica*; durata: 2004-2006; coordinator: *prof. Maurizio Ferraris*.
- Project Title: *Proprietà intellettuale: proprietà di oggetti, proprietà di idee* (Intellectual Property: Property of Objects and Property of Ideas) (PRIN); funded by: *Ministero dell'Università e della Ricerca Scientifica*; duration: 2002-2004; coordinator: *prof. Maurizio Ferraris*.

### Teaching

#### • 2019-2023

Undergraduate courses of Semiotics (30 h.), Pragmatics (30 h.) and Theory of Languages (30 h.), University of Sassari

#### • From 2010-11 to 2015-16

Undergraduate course of Theory of Languages (60 h.), University of Sassari.

#### • 2011-12; 2012-13

- Post-graduate course on “Truth and Philosophical Analyses”, Phd Program in Social Sciences, University of Sassari.

- Post-graduate course on “What is Relativism”, Phd Program in Social Sciences, University of Sassari.

- **2009-2010**

Undergraduate course of History of Philosophy (of Mind) (60. h), University of Turin.

- **2008-2009**

Undergraduate course of Logic (30 h.), University of Eastern Piedmont (Vercelli).

Undergraduate course of Cognitive Pragmatics (60 h.), University of Modena and Reggio Emilia.

- **2007-2008**

Undergraduate course of Logic (30. h), University of Eastern Piedmont (Vercelli).

- **2006-2007**

- Undergraduate course of Semiotics (60. h), University of Parma.

- Undergraduate course of Logic (30 h.), University of Eastern Piedmont (Vercelli).

- **2005-2006**

Undergraduate course of Logic (30 h.), University of Eastern Piedmont (Vercelli).

- **1998-2003**

- Seminars at the University of Turin on: Edmund Husserl’s “Logical Investigations” and “Experience and Judgement”; Theory of Truth; Formal Ontology in Husserl’s Third Logical Investigation.

### **Languages**

English, French.

Turin, 2019-12-10

Signed  
Stefano Caputo