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Biography

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She is the author of numerous articles on her topics of interest. Her works have been published in important journals such as Marketing Science, Journal of Marketing, Strategic Management Journal, Journal of the Academy of Marketing Science, Journal of Service Research, Journal of Product Innovation Management, and Journal of International Business Studies. She is Associate Editor of Journal of the Academy of Marketing Science and sits in the editorial board of the Journal of Product Innovation Management and of the Journal of International Marketing. She is also member of the Academic Committee of the Product Development Management Association

Gaia holds a degree in Business Administration and a PhD in Business Administration and Management from Bocconi University.

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