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Biography

Jérôme Frans Adda is a Professor of Economics at Università Bocconi since 2014. Prior to that he was a professor at the European University Institute (Florence), as well as a Professor at University College London. He was a visiting Associate Professor at the Economics department at Berkeley in 2006-07.

His research interests include Health Economics, Labor Economics and Macroeconomics. His main contributions have been on the effect of public policies on health behavior, the analysis of the spread of diseases, the links between income and health, the role of human capital on career choices and wage growth over the life cycle. Many of his papers have been published in journals such as the Journal of Political Economy, l'American Economic Review, il Quarterly Journal of Economics, la Review of Economic Studies, la Proceedings of the National Academy of Science as well as journals in other disciplines. He was a managing editor for the Review of Economic Studies between 2013 and 2017 and he served again in 2021.

He got his Ph.D in Economics at the University of Paris (Sorbonne) after studying biology at AgroParisTech and Economics and Statistics at ENSAE in Paris.

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