Born in Rome in 1970, in 1993 he graduated with honours in Economics from the Sapienza University of Rome; in 1999 he obtained a Master's Degree in Finance from the Cass Business School in London and then a PhD in Banking and Finance from the University of Rome 'Tor Vergata'.

He joined the Bank of Italy in 1996 and was assigned to the Supervision Unit at the Bank's Treviso branch, where he was involved in the on- and off-site supervision of banks and financial intermediaries and took part in economic analysis at a regional level. In 1999, he moved as an economist to the DG for Financial Supervision and Regulation, where he dealt with analysis and policy on financial stability prudential regulation and international regulation, taking part also to the drafting of the Basel Accords. In 2008, he was appointed Head of the Regulatory Impact Sector, where he contributed to define a methodological framework for impact analysis and provide empirical support for the reform of the financial system following the 2008-09 crisis.

In 2013, he started to coordinate the Bank of Italy's support work for the Single Supervisory Mechanism (SSM). In 2014, he was member of the Bank's project group for the coordination of the ECB Comprehensive Assessment on significant banks. In 2015, he was appointed Head of the SSM Support Division and in 2018 of the SSM Coordination Division. In this capacity he accompanied Bank representatives on the Supervisory Board and contributed to define the Bank of Italy's supervisory methodologies, processes and procedures as part of the new supervisory framework.

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He has represented the Bank of Italy in several international groups of the Basel Committee, the Committee of European Banking Supervisors (CEBS), the European Banking Authority (EBA), the SSM and the European Commission. He is currently alternate member in the EBA's Board of Supervisors, a member of the ECB's Financial Stability Committee and of the Advisory Technical Group of the European Systemic Risk Board (ESRB) and co-chair of the SSM's Supervisory Group on Supervisory Training.

From 2014 to 2020, he was in charge of training for the Directorate General for Financial Supervision and Regulation. In 2020, he chaired one of the Bank's in-house graduate recruitment commissions. He has chaired the Steering Committee in charge of coordinating the work on preparing supervisory methodologies since 2020.

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