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Biography

Giada Di Stefano is Associate Professor of Strategy of Università Bocconi and serves as Director of the DBA program at SDA Bocconi.

At Bocconi, she is affiliated with BELSS and iCrios, and she is a member of the Ethics Committee as well as of the Executive Committee of the Department of Management and Technology. Prior to joining Bocconi, she was a faculty member of HEC Paris, and worked as a product manager for L'Oréal Paris.

Giada has been elected and nominated in a series of leadership positions for both the Academy of Management and the Strategic Management Society. She currently serves as Associate Editor for Strategic Management Journal, Contributing Editor for Strategy Science, Program Chair of the SRF Dissertation Research Program, and Board Member for the Consortium for Competitiveness and Cooperation (CCC).

Her general research interests are in the broad area of strategy and innovation. More specifically, she studies the factors that foster or inhibit the creation and transfer of knowledge, within and across organizations. Her research is prevalently mixed-method, with a focus on experiments and field work more broadly. To this end, she has partnered with a number of firms to conduct experiments inside their organizations. Her work is often conducted in the context of creative industries, broadly defined – from gourmet cuisine to science, from computer programming to academia.

Teaching domains

Business Models

Alliances

Diversification

Growth Strategy

Vertical Integration

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Best Dissertation Award, Academy of Management TIM Division, 2011