

## **Dr. Irene Mosca**

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### **CURRENT POSITION**

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Accounting and Finance, Maynooth University, Ireland

### **RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS**

The Irish Longitudinal Study on Ageing (TILDA), Trinity College Dublin, Ireland  
Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI), Dublin, Ireland  
IZA Institute of Labor Economics, Bonn, Germany

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Population Economics, Labour Economics, Health Economics

### **PREVIOUS POSITIONS**

2014-2018

Research Fellow (Economics), TILDA, Trinity College Dublin

2010-2014

Postdoctoral Researcher (Economics), TILDA, Trinity College Dublin

2009-2010

Research Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK

2004-2006

Economic Assistant, DTZ Piedad Consulting, Edinburgh, UK

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

2006-2010

PhD in Economics, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK

2003-2004

MSc in Economic Policy and Management, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK  
(distinction)

1998-2003

BA in Economics, University of Ferrara, Italy (110/110 cum laude)

### **PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

- [1] Mosca, I. & Wright R.E. (2020) The Long-term Consequences of the Irish Marriage Bar. *Economic and Social Review*
- [2] Mosca, I. & Wright R.E. (2018) The Effect of Retirement on Cognition: Evidence from the Irish Marriage Bar. *Demography* 55(4): 1317-1341
- [3] Mosca, I. & Wright RE. (2016) Height and Cognition at Older Ages: Irish Evidence. *Economics Letters* 149: 98-101
- [4] Mosca, I. & McCrory C. (2016) Personality and Wealth Accumulation Among Older Couples: Do Dispositional Characteristics Pay Dividends? *Journal of Economic Psychology* 56: 1-19

- [5] Mosca, I. & Barrett, A. (2016) The Impact of Adult Child Emigration on the Mental Health of Older Parents. *Journal of Population Economics* 29(3): 687-719
- [6] Mosca, I. & Barrett A. (2016) The Impact of Voluntary and Involuntary Retirement on Mental Health: Evidence from Older Irish Adults. *Journal of Mental Health Policy and Economics* 19(1): 33-44
- [7] Hudson, E., Madden, D. & Mosca, I. (2015) A Formal Investigation of Inequalities in Health Behaviours after Age 50 on the Island of Ireland. *Economic and Social Review* 46(2): 233-265
- [8] Barrett, A., Mosca, I. & Whelan, B. (2015) How Well-Informed are Pension Scheme Members on Their Future Pension Benefits? Evidence from Ireland. *Journal of Aging & Social Policy* DOI: 10.1080/08959420.2015.1044817
- [9] Mosca, I. & Kenny, R.A. (2014) Investigating Cross-national Differences in Prevalence of Diagnosed, Measured and Undiagnosed Hypertension: the Case of Ireland and the US. *International Journal of Public Health* 59(5): 759-767
- [10] Mosca, I. (2013) Body Mass Index, Waist Circumference and Employment: Evidence from Older Irish Adults. *Economics and Human Biology* 11(4): 522-533
- [11] Barrett, A. & Mosca, I. (2013) The Psychic Costs of Migration: Evidence from Irish Return Migrants. *Journal of Population Economics* 26(2): 483-506
- [12] Mosca, I., Ní Bhuachalla, B. & Kenny, R.A. (2013) Explaining Significant Differences in Subjective and Objective Measures of Cardiovascular Health: Evidence for the Socioeconomic Gradient in a Population-based Study. *BMC Cardiovascular Disorders* 13(64)
- [13] Barrett, A. & Mosca, I. (2013) Social Isolation, Loneliness and Return Migration: Evidence from Older Irish Adults. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 39(10): 1659-1677
- [14] Barrett A., & Mosca, I. (2013) Increasing the State Pension Age, the Recession and Expected Retirement Ages. *Economic and Social Review* 44(4): 447-472
- [15] Barrett A. & Mosca, I. (2013) Early-life Causes and Later-life Consequences of Migration: Evidence from older Irish Adults. *Journal of Population Ageing* 6(1): 29-45
- [16] Mosca, I. (2009) Impact of Population Ageing on Earnings and Employment in Italy. *Labour* 23(2): 371-395
- [17] Lisenkova, K., Mosca, I. & Wright, R.E. (2008) Ireland and Scotland: Converging or Diverging Demography?. *Scottish Affairs* 64: 18-36

## REPORTS

- [1] Ward, M., Mosca, I. & Gibney S. (2018) Volunteering and Social Participation. In Wellbeing and Health in Ireland's over 50s 2009-2016, eds. N. Turner, O. Donoghue, RA Kenny. Dublin: Trinity College Dublin
- [2] Mosca, I. & Nivakoski, S. (2016) Income Adequacy and Quality of Life in Older Age: Evidence from the First Three Waves of The Irish Longitudinal Study on Ageing. Dublin: Trinity College Dublin

- [3] Mosca, I. & Barrett, A. (2014) A New Look at the Recession and Ireland's Older People: The Emigration of Adult Children and the Mental Health of their Parents. Dublin: Trinity College Dublin
- [4] Hudson, E., Mosca, I. & O'Sullivan, V. (2014) The Economic Well-Being of Over 50s and their Children. In The Over 50s in a Changing Ireland: Economic Circumstances, Health and Well-Being, eds. A. Nolan, C. O'Regan, C. Dooley et al. Dublin: Trinity College Dublin
- [5] Mosca, I. & Barrett, A. (2011) Retirement and Labour Market Participation. In Fifty Plus in Ireland 2011: First Results from The Irish Longitudinal Study on Ageing. eds. A. Barrett, G. Savva, V. Timonen and R.A. Kenny. Dublin: Trinity College Dublin

## **TEACHING**

*2019-2020*

Health Economics and Public Economics, Maynooth University

*2016-2018*

Fundamentals of Economics, Trinity Access Programme, Trinity College Dublin

*2016-2017*

Guest Lecturer, Master in Social Policy & Master in Economics, University College Dublin

*2006-2010*

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK

## **SEMINARS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)**

*2018-2019*

Irish Economic Association Annual Conference, Cork, Ireland; Royal Economic Society Annual Conference, University of Sussex, UK; Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock, Germany

*2017*

Workshop on "Social and Spatial Interactions in the Accumulation of Civic and Human Capital", University of Palermo, Italy (invited speaker); TIES-GRASPA Conference on Climate and Environment, University of Bergamo, Italy (invited speaker); Scottish Economic Society Annual Conference, Perth, UK; Department of Economics at University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK and University of Bologna, Italy

*2016*

Population Association of America (PAA) Conference, Washington, US; European Society of Population Economics (ESPE) Annual Conference, Berlin, Germany; Norwegian Institute of Public Health, Oslo, Norway; Munich Center for the Economics of Aging, Germany; University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK; University of Lancaster, UK; University College Dublin, Ireland; National University of Ireland Galway

*2015*

Economics and Psychology Conference, ESRI, Dublin, Ireland; Irish Economy Conference: Learning from Crisis, Dublin, Ireland

*2014*

PAA Conference, Boston, US; European Conference on Health Economics, Dublin, Ireland

*2013*

PAA Conference, New Orleans, US; Centre for Longitudinal Study in Ireland Conference, ESRI Dublin, Ireland

## **RESEARCH VISITS**

*February 2018*

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock, Germany

*May 2017*

Department of Economics, University of Bologna, Italy

*February 2017 (and January 2016)*

Department of Economics, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK

*September 2016*

Munich Center for the Economics of Aging, Germany and Norwegian Institute of Public Health, Oslo, Norway

*February-April 2009*

University of Zurich, Switzerland

## **AWARDS**

*2017*

Excellence in Mental Health Policy and Economics Research Award. Awarded by Editorial Board of *The Journal of Mental Health Policy and Economics*

Certificate of Outstanding Contribution in Reviewing – *Economics and Human Biology*

*2014-2016*

Health Research Board (HRB) Interdisciplinary Capacity Enhancement Award

*2012*

RAND Scholarship to Attend RAND Summer Institute on the Demography, Economics, Psychology, and Epidemiology of Aging, Santa Monica, California

*2006-2010*

ESRC (Economic and Social Research Council) PhD Scholarship

*2009*

ESRC Overseas Institutional Visits Scheme Scholarship

*2003-2004*

University of Bergamo, Italy and Royal Bank of Scotland MSc Scholarships

## **REFEREEING ACTIVITY**

Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Economic Psychology, Social Science and Medicine, Economics and Human Biology, The European Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Consumer Affairs, IZA Journal of European Labor Studies, Labour, International Review of Economics and Finance, Research on Aging, International Journal of Social Welfare

## **TRAINING COURSES ATTENDED (SELECTED)**

*2012-present*

[1] Speaking with Impact & Communicating with Confidence, Understanding ModernGov, Manchester, UK

- [2] Grant Writing and Interview Skills for Female Academics, Trinity College Dublin
- [3] Online Communication & Reflection: How to Design and Create Online Reflective Activities using Journals, Blogs, Discussion Boards and Wikis in Blackboard, Trinity College Dublin
- [4] Policy Evaluation Methods, CEMMAP, University College London (UCL), UK
- [5] Panel/Longitudinal Data Analysis, CEMMAP, UCL, UK
- [6] Statistical Graphics with STATA, Trinity College Dublin
- [7] Econometrics of Cross Section/Panel Data, CEMMAP, UCL, UK
- [8] Methods for the Analysis of Panel Data in Health, University of York, UK

## **OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES**

*2014-2018*

Coordinator of TILDA Economics Domain

*2013-2018*

Chair of TILDA/ESRI Socio-Economic Working Group

*2010-2018*

Developer of TILDA Survey Questionnaire in Relation to Economic and Family Status Modules

## **MEDIA COVERAGE (SELECTED)**

- [1] “Is Retirement Detrimental to Later-life Cognition?” , N-IUSSP, 03/12/2018
- [2] “Income Adequacy and Quality of Life in Older Age”, Interview Given Live on Newstalk Breakfast, 20/06/2017
- [3] “Ignorance Still Prevails for Pension Scheme Members”, The Irish Times, 27/07/2015
- [4] “Waves of Emigration Leave a Legacy of Love and Loss Behind”, The Irish Times, 09/11/2014
- [5] “Mothers of Emigrants More Prone to Depression, Study Finds”, The Irish Times, 04/11/2014
- [6] “Skype Has Not Eased Loss for Parents of Emigrant Children”, The Irish Times, 04/11/2014
- [7] “Employers’ Bias Leaves Obese Women with Slimmer Job Chances”, The Sunday Times, 08/04/2012

## **GRANT APPLICATIONS**

*2015*

Contributed to HRB Knowledge Exchange and Dissemination Scheme to ‘Promote Positive Mental Health Messages for the Older Population’ (€60,000)

*2013*

Co-applicant of Centre for Ageing Research and Development in Ireland Grant to ‘Examine Inequalities in Health and Health Behaviours’ (€15,000)

*2011*

Contributed to HRB Interdisciplinary Capacity Enhancement Award 2011/07 to ‘Examine Inequalities in Mental Health with TILDA’ (€794,680)