

# **From Origin to Destination**





- bassi livelli d'istruzione
- e basse competenze anche fra gli altamente istruiti .... (PIAAC)
- alta stratificazione

Cosa fare?

## Educational expansion is not enough to generate equality!

**Social mobility** is thought to be closely linked to **equality of opportunity**. Is it? NO!



the chart shows no real correlation between upward educational mobility and equality of opportunity to participate in tertiary education

## vertical inequaliy & horizontal inequaliy

# And with higher levels filling up, the **level of education** is no longer sufficient $\rightarrow$ horizontal stratification

### Split in low and high paid degrees

**Cumulated predicted probabilities** of having a "high" paid university degree and a "low" paid one. Therefore the upper line reports the predicted probability to access university education of whatever kind by **Isco** position of the household head (as proxy for social background)



Source: LFS 2010, individuals [20-35] still living in their parent's household.

(this analysis can be proposed just for the very last years of LFS, as no family info is available before 2004. From 2004 to 2010, the picture remains identical...)



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## stagnant Occupational Structure

# → Declining Returns

Need to invest and upgrade economic system Side by investigating in (tertiary) education



## **Decling returns !!!**



## Predicted probabilities to enter Borghesia / at least White collar

based on LFS data, age 30-39, generalized ordered logit model, controlling for age, region





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## Low for tertiary education

Tabella 1 – Spesa annuale per studente per dato livello di istruzione (2011) - Dollari Usa a parità di potere d'acquisto, corrispondenti a studenti full-time

	istruzione		istru	zione secon	Idaria	istruzione t	Istruzion e da		
	preprimari a (a partire da 3 anni)	istruzion e primaria	istruzione secondari a 1 ciclo	istruzione secondari a 2 ciclo	istruzione secondaria complessiv a	istruzione terziaria non universitari a	istruzione terziaria di tipo accademic o	istruzione terziaria complessiv a	primaria a terziaria (incluso R&D)
Finlandia	5 700	8 159	12 545	8 467	9 792	-	18 002	18 002	10 905
Francia	6 615	6 917	9 668	13 071	11 109	12 554	16 328	15 375	10 454
Germania	8 351	7 579	9 247	12 022	10 275	8 891	18 348	<del>16 723</del>	10 904
Italia	7 868	8 448	8 686	8 519	8 585	9 134	9 993	9 990	8 790
Spagna	6 725	7 288	9 335	10 090	9 615	10 042	13 933	13 173	9 454
Regno Unito	9 692	9 857	13 894	6 491	9 649	-	-	14 223	10 412
Stati Uniti	10 010	10 958	12 338	13 143	12 731	-	-	2 <del>5 02</del> 1	15 345
media OECD	7 428	8 296	9 377	9 506	9 280		-	13 958	9 487
media EU21	7 933	8 482	9 795	9 457	9 615	-	-	13 572	9 531

Fonte: Education at a Glance 2014 - Tabella B.1.1a

Need to invest in tertiary education

...apart from spending....

Differentiation of the tertiary system: Not just more of the same (general) education, but increasingly **differentiated** and **vocational** specific

→ Vocational education works (can work) as equalizer
 Level out LM outcomes (among levels)
 Equalize access to education (with not necessary less payoff)

- $\rightarrow$  Eases transition to work (not just for the voc trained)
- → Might avoid a binarization of the tertiary education in «good» and «bad» universities, which instead is the risk of the chronically underfinanced system

# grazie

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### Fable A1.9a (L). Mean literacy score, by educational attainment and age (2012)

### iteracy proficiency in the Survey of Adult Skills.

	Below upper secondary education				Upper secondary or post-secondary non-tertiary education			Tertiary education					
	25-34		35-44		25-34		35-44		25-34		35-44		
	Score	S.E.	Score	S.E.	Score	S.E.	Score	S.E.	Score	S.E.	Score	S.E.	S.E.
Austria	238	(5,4)	243	(4,5)	279	(1,8)	273	(2,0)	308	(2,9)	302	(2,4)	(1,4)
Canada	230	(5 <i>,</i> 0)	222	(4,2)	274	(2,0)	268	(2,1)	299	(1,6)	293	(1,6)	(0,8)
Czech Republic	257	(6,6)	239	(8,6)	278	(2,4)	272	(2,1)	311	(2,9)	297	(5,1)	(2,3)
Denmark	242	(6 <i>,</i> 8)	240	(5,3)	275	(2,6)	274	(1,9)	298	(2,4)	301	(1,7)	(1,1)
Estonia	250	(4,0)	245	(3,8)	279	(2,0)	271	(1,6)	304	(1,9)	293	(1,8)	(1,1)
Finland	264	(8,0)	254	(11,5)	298	(2,5)	284	(2,8)	328	(2,0)	316	(2,3)	(1,1)
France	231	(3,9)	221	(3,2)	269	(1,7)	261	(1,6)	305	(1,5)	295	(1,7)	(0,9)
Germany	224	(6,0)	224	(4,7)	276	(2,3)	270	(2,0)	306	(2,3)	301	(2,6)	(1,3)
reland	235	(4,1)	227	(3,9)	267	(2,5)	271	(2,3)	295	(2,0)	295	(2,1)	(1,3)
Italy	<b>231</b>	(4,0)	234	(2,6)	263	(2,7)	<b>265</b>	(2,1)	290	(2,9)	<b>281</b>	(2,8)	(1,6)
Netherlands	255	(5,1)	253	(3,9)	291	(2,6)	292	(2,5)	323	(2,8)	319	(2,1)	(1,3)
Norway	253	(5,3)	259	(4,5)	280	(3,0)	276	(2,6)	308	(2,5)	308	(1,9)	(1,0)
Spain	235	(2,7)	235	(1,9)	263	(2,5)	260	(3,0)	286	(2,0)	285	(1,9)	(1,2)
Sweden	245	(7,2)	229	(6,5)	284	(2,7)	282	(2,5)	313	(2,6)	314	(2,2)	(1,3)
Jnited States	221	(5,7)	211	(6,2)	261	(2,7)	260	(2,2)	304	(2,5)	303	(2,3)	(1,5)
Average	242	(1,2)	239	(1,1)	277	(0,5)	273	(0,5)	305	(0,5)	301	(0,5)	(0,3)
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Literacy socores

Source: OECD. Survey of Adult Skills (PIAAC) (2012). PIAAC refers to the OECD Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies. See Annex 3 for notes (www.oecd.org/edu/eag.htm).



Tertiary Italy Upper secondary Lower than upper secondary Tertiary Japan Upper secondary Lower than upper secondary 100 125 150 175 200 225 250 275 300 325 350 375 400<sup>score</sup> Japanese high school graduates have literacy skills comparable to those of Italian tertiary graduates

Distribution of literacy proficiency scores and education in Italy and Japan Mean literacy proficiency and distribution of literacy scores, by educational attainment

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## **Unequal chances to access tertiary education!**

Table A4.1b. Likelihood of participating in tertiary education, olds; odds ratio

### Odds ratio to access tertiary education by parents' educational attainment

		Below upper second education		Upper sec secondary nor	condary or post- n-tertiary education	Tertiary education or advanced research programmes		
		Odds ratio	p-value	Odds ratio	p-value	Odds ratio	p-value	
	Gender	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
Austria	Men	1	(0,0)	1,4	(0,4)	3,4	(0,0)	
	Women	1	(0,0)	3,1	(0,0)	7,8	(0,0)	
Finland	Men	1	(0,0)	1,1	(0,7)	1,4	(0,2)	
	Women	1	(0,0)	1,3	(0,2)	1,6	(0,0)	
France	Men	1	(0,0)	1,5	(0,1)	4,8	(0,0)	
	Women	1	(0,0)	2,1	(0,0)	7,8	(0,0)	
Germany	Men	1	(0,0)	2,9	(0,2)	4,3	(0,1)	
	Women	1	(0,0)	2,0	(0,2)	5,8	(0,0)	
Ireland	Men	1	(0,0)	1,5	(0,1)	2,5	(0,0)	
	Women	1	(0,0)	2,6	(0,0)	4,4	(0,0)	
Italy	Men	1	(0,0)	4,4	(0,0)	11,0	(0,0)	
	Women	1	(0,0)	4,8	(0,0)	8,5	(0,0)	
Netherlands	Women	1	(0,0)	1,1	(0,7)	3,2	(0,0)	
	M+W	1	(0,0)	1,3	(0,1)	2,8	(0,0)	
Poland	Men	1	(0,0)	3,0	(0,1)	10,4	(0,0)	
Polanu	Women	1	(0,0)	3,4	(0,0)	9,6	(0,0)	
Spain	Men	1	(0,0)	1,9	(0,0)	4,4	(0,0)	
	Women	1	(0,0)	2,0	(0,0)	3,7	(0,0)	
Sweden	Men	1	(0,0)	0,6	(0,2)	1,8	(0,0)	
	Women	1	(0,0)	1,4	(0,2)	2,8	(0,0)	
Average	Men	1	(0,0)	1,9	(0,1)	4,3	(0,1)	
Arciage	Women	1	(0,0)	2,2	(0,1)	5,2	(0,0)	

e "odds ratio" reflects the ative likelihood of rticipating in tertiary ucation of individuals ose parents have upper condary or tertiary ucation compared with at of people whose parents ve only below upper condary education. The ter group are taken as the erence category for the erpretation of the relative elihood and therefore their ds ratio are set to equal 1. ferences between the oups are statistically nificant at 95% if the "plue" associated with the ds ratio is below 0.5.

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# una società in cui la diseguaglianza socioeconomica non è nemmeno compensata dalla "efficienza di mercato"

Persistence of earnings across generations and (a) returns to education, (b) Gini coefficients for OECD countries



Source: OECD social, employment and migration working papers no 52/2007

Fig. 20 Laureati 2011-2005 occupati a tre anni: guadagno mensile netto per tipo di corso (valori rivalutati in base agli indici ISTAT dei prezzi al consumo; valori medi in euro)



Germania: lordo	(netto)
BA: 3085,-	1851
MA: 3583,-	2420
PhD: 5000,-	3000

Nota: per il primo livello si sono considerati solo i laureati non iscritti ad altro corso di laurea.

Anno di laurea 2006 non rilevato.

### Die bestbezahlten Fächer und Berufsausbildungen von Männern und Frauen



Nettostundenlöhne

Quelle: Deutsches Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung



Where did the professionals go?



http://ec.europa.eu/internal\_market/qualifications/regprof/index.cfm?action=homepage



Select a country to see where professionals went after obtaining their qualification here.

(since 2003)

### Where did the professionals go?





Sources: Authors own calculations based on ISTAT, Annuario statistico italiano, 1990-2012 and MIUR, Anagrafe nazionale degli alunni, 1990-2012 for gross enrolment rates; ISTAT, Indagine sui percorsi di studio e di lavoro dei diplomati, waves 1995, 1998, 2001, 2004, 2007 for net enrolment rates; MIUR Anagrafe nazionale degli student universitari, 2000-2012 for 19-year-old enrolment rates.



Fig. 2. Trends over time (1990-2012) of the observed and predicted gross enrolment rates at university. Percentages.

Source: Authors own calculation based on Istat, Annuario statistico italiano, 1990-2012; Istat, Rilevazione sulle forze di lavoro, 1992-2012; Miur, Anagrafe nazionale degli alunni, 1990-2012; Prais-Winsten regression parameters presented in table 2.

According to EMI, a situation of educ.expansion, which conveys greater educational opportunities for the previous "outsiders" should represent the best "environment" for high classes to operate in a way to preserve their advantages – therefore should be the best scenario for the same EMI hypothesis...



**Effectively Maintained Inequality** posits that socioeconomically advantaged actors secure for themselves and their children some degree of advantage wherever advantages are commonly possible (education, health, LM, welfare...).

On the one hand, if quantitative differences are common, the socioeconomically advantaged will obtain quantitative advantage; on the other hand, if qualitative differences are common, the socioeconomically advantaged will obtain qualitative advantage (Lucas, AJS 2001: 1652).

Recently, EMI has expanded to consider alternative qualitative differences within a given educational level. Van de Werfhorst and Luijkx (2005) question whether EMI goes far enough to study relevant educational inequalities in present day modern societies. Using data for the Netherlands covering 5 birth cohorts from 1925-1974, they point to **field of study within educational levels** as a qualitative dimension. They report that social class manifests itself in fine-grained choices for particular educational fields of study within levels. That is, different fields of study within vocational programmes at the secondary or tertiary level and field of study in universities. In doing so, **they propose a mechanism of** *Inequalities Maintained through Horizontal educational choices (IMH).* 

## The situation is not better in the North!!

