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Giuseppe's work focuses on the small and medium enterprise sector. He advises national and multilateral entities on how to best assist SMEs. His academic research focused on how changes in financial markets affect small business lending, and on labor migration during periods of economic transition. He later worked in the equity research department of a major investment bank, where he focused on natural resource industries.

At the U.S. Small Business Administration, Giuseppe serves as the Agency's Chief Economist, advises the Agency on economic trends affecting small businesses, and leads research on economic impact evaluations and strategic planning. He serves as the Chair of the interagency Subcommittee on Evaluating Business Technical Assistance Programs (E-BTAP), a group responsible for developing best practices for implementing economic impact evaluations within the U.S. Federal government. He also serves as the U.S. Permanent Delegate and Vice Chair to the OECD Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship. Giuseppe works with international organizations such as APEC and ASEAN. He serves on the scientific committees of several academic institutions and publications, and advises national and multilateral entities on how to best assist SMEs.

Before joining the U.S. Small Business Administration, Giuseppe headed the consulting firm, DASSI Corp. His other areas of interest include the construction industries, tourism, information services, and regional economic development. Giuseppe earned a BA in economics from The State University of New York at Purchase, and a graduate degree in economics from The New School For Social Research.

During 1996 to 2001 Giuseppe served as vice president and then president of the SUNY Purchase College Alumni Association. He also served as Alumni Representative to the Purchase College Council, a gubernatorial appointed oversight body.