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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Since Oct. 2015 PhD Candidate (PhD degree in July 2016)
IMT Institute for Advanced Studies Lucca, Italy
National Research University - Higher School of Economics, Russia
Cotutelle in process.

Since Sep. 2012 Teaching Assistant in Contemporary History, History of International Relations and History of Political Parties.
Luiss Guido Carli, Rome, Italy.

PREVIOUS ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Sep. 2015 – Dec. 2015 Visiting Researcher - Trainee
National Research University - Higher School of Economics, Faculty of Social Sciences / School of Public Administration, Moscow, Russia.

May 2015 – Jun. 2015 Visiting Scholar
Institute of History of Academy of Sciences of Republic of Uzbekistan, Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

Feb. 2015 – May 2015 Visiting Scholar
Aarhus University - Department of Culture and Society - Section for East European Studies, Aarhus, Denmark.

May 2014 – Dec. 2014 Visiting Researcher - Trainee
National Research University - Higher School of Economics, Faculty of Public Administration, Moscow, Russia.

Sep. 2013 – Sep. 2014 Expert Witnesses - Teaching Assistant (contract)
Political Sciences Department, Luiss Guido Carli, Rome, Italy.

Sep. 2012 – Sep. 2013 Teaching Assistant (contract)
Political Sciences Department, Luiss Guido Carli, Rome, Italy.

EDUCATION

2013 – 2015	PhD Student in Political History <i>IMT Institute for Advanced Studies Lucca, Italy</i>
2009 – 2011	MA in International Relations <i>Luiss Guido Carli, Rome, Italy</i>
2013 – 2015	BA in Political Sciences <i>Luiss Guido Carli, Rome, Italy</i>

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIP AND COLLECTIVE PROJECTS

Feb. 2015 – Jun. 2015	Erasmus+ grant for visiting period abroad. <i>IMT Lucca - Aarhus University, Denmark.</i>
Dec. 2013 – Dec. 2014	Grant for archival research in the project “ <i>Gli addetti militari italiani alla vigilia della Grande Guerra 1914-1915</i> ”. <i>Istituto di studi politici “S. Pio V”, Rome, Italy.</i>
Sep. 2013 – Sep. 2014	Expert Witnesses fellowship. <i>Luiss Guido Carli, Rome, Italy.</i>
Feb. 2013 – Feb. 2016	Doctoral scholarship. <i>IMT Institute for Advanced Studies Lucca, Italy.</i>
Sep. 2012 – Sep. 2013	Teaching Assistant fellowship. <i>Luiss Guido Carli, Rome, Italy.</i>
Jul. 2012 – May 2013	Member of the research center <i>LUISS Lap</i> in order to implement the 2009 PRIN (Research Project of Public Interest) entitled <i>Perché democratizzare? Le cause della crisi e del crollo dei regimi non democratici nella terza ondata</i> . <i>Department of Historical and Socio-political Studies, Luiss Guido Carli, Rome, Italy.</i>
May 2011 – Sep. 2011	Scholarship for thesis & field research in Southern Caucasus. <i>Luiss Guido Carli, Rome, Italy.</i>

CONFERENCES, LECTURES AND SEMINARS

Nov. 20, 2015	ASIAC annual conference “ <i>Ricerche italiane sull'Asia centrale e sul Caucaso</i> ”, presenting the paper “ <i>Vittimismo nazionale? Raccontare lo “scandalo del cotone” nell'Uzbekistan post-sovietico</i> ”. Università degli Studi “Roma Tre”, Rome, Italy.
Oct. 17, 2015	16 th Annual Conference of CESS (Central Eurasian Studies Society), presenting the paper “ <i>Legitimation through self-victimization. The “Uzbek cotton affair” and its repression narrative (1986-1991)</i> ”. Central Asia program IERES, George Washington University, Washington DC, USA.

- May 27, 2015 Roundtable on “*Contemporary history of Uzbekistan and the development of international scientific cooperation*” (discussant). Department of Modern History and International Studies, Institute of History of the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Uzbekistan, Tashkent, Uzbekistan.
- Jan. 29, 2015 Seminar “*USSR and Uzbekistan (1975-1991): New Archival Sources and Research Perspectives*”. Harvard University, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Cambridge, MA, USA.
- Mar. 8, 2014 International PhD conference in Political History, presenting the paper *The crisis of Soviet authority in Central Asia: the Uzbek case (1975-1991)*. IMT Institute for Advanced Studies, Lucca, Italy.
- Nov. 21, 2013 Lecture *Possiamo escludere una “primavera araba” in Asia Centrale? Un’analisi comparata tra AC-MENA in Russian Foreign Policy* course. Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan, Italy.
- Nov. 22, 2013 ASIAC annual conference “*Percorsi storiografici e riflessioni sugli studi sull’Asia Centrale e sul Caucaso*”, presenting the paper “*Aspettando la Primavera della Seta*”. Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan, Italy.

PUBLICATIONS

Book Contributions

Il ruolo di Edoardo Ropolo, addetto militare italiano a Pietroburgo alla vigilia della Prima guerra mondiale, in A. Ungari e F. Anghelone (eds), *Gli addetti militari italiani alla vigilia della Grande Guerra 1914-1915*, Rodorigo Editore, Rome, 2015.

Democrazia e mercato: il caso del Caucaso post Sovietico (R.M. Cucciolla-D. Fracchiolla), in R. De Mucci (ed.), *Economia di mercato e democrazia: un rapporto controverso*, Rubbettino, Soveria Mannelli, 2015.

Reviews in Refereed Journals

State Erosion. Unlootable Resources and Unruly Elites in Central Asia (Review), *Europe-Asia Studies*, 66 (10), November 2014.

Changing urban landscapes. Eastern European and post-soviet cities since 1989 (Review), *Europe-Asia Studies*, 66 (8), September 2014.

Reviews to be published

Corruption as a Last Resort. Adapting to the Market in Central Asia (Review), *Europe-Asia Studies*, (expected for fall 2016).

Development in Central Asia and the Caucasus. Migration, Democratisation and Inequality in the Post-Soviet Era (Review), *Europe-Asia Studies*, 68/2, March 2016.

Articles submitted for publications

Legitimation through self-victimization. The "Uzbek cotton affair" and its repression narrative (1989-1991), *Cahiers du Monde Russe*, (expected for fall 2016).

Encyclopedic contributions

Enciclopedia Italiana - IX Appendice, 2015, Volume 2, Historical sections of encyclopedic entries: *Kazakistan, Kirghizistan, Lettonia, Lituania, Slovacchia, Suriname, Tagikistan, Togo, Tonga, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Zambia*.

Enciclopedia Italiana - IX Appendice, 2015, Volume 1, Historical sections of encyclopedic entries: *Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bielorussia, Bulgaria, Estonia*.

L'orso e il dragone, in C. De Stefano-A. Ferrari, *Lo spazio post-sovietico: verso nuovi confini?*, Atlante Geopolitico Treccani 2015, Istituto della Enciclopedia Italiana, Roma, 2015.

Book Project

The Uzbek "cotton affair" among myths and mystifications (1975-1991).

Articles in Non-International Refereed Journals

Aspettando la "primavera della seta" in Asia Centrale, Rivista di Studi Politici. Trimestrale dell'Istituto di Studi Politici "S. Pio V", Anno XXVI, Gennaio/Marzo 2014.

Other Articles/Appearances: Non-Academic

Lo sviluppo dell'Uzbekistan passa per le infrastrutture, Eurasian Business Dispatch, Newsletter n.10, September 30, 2015.

Le iniziative di Ashgabat per rilanciare la cooperazione internazionale, Eurasian Business Dispatch, Newsletter n. 7, May 28, 2015.

L'Uzbekistan di nuovo alle urne: il 29.03 si voterà per il nuovo Presidente della Repubblica, Eurasian Business Dispatch, Newsletter n. 5, March 27, 2015.

Ucraina: vittime nel sud est. Minatori bloccati sotto terra, Radio Vaticana, January 26, 2015.

Mosca e Tashkent rafforzano la cooperazione per uscire dall'isolamento, Eurasian Business Dispatch, Newsletter n. 3, January 29, 2015.

Gas: slitta l'accordo tra Russia e Ucraina, Radio Vaticana, October 22, 2014.

Uzbekistan, a Key Player in the Post 2014 Scenario, in ISPI studies, Afghanistan Post-2014: Scenarios After the International Military Disengagement, Analysis No. 263, June 2014.

Commentary about the Afghan political elections, Radio InBlu, April 4, 2014.

Elezioni afgane del 2014, una sfida per il futuro del Paese, Ce.S.I. - Centro Studi Internazionali, March 13, 2014.

Lo slalom del gigante contro il terrorismo a Sochi 2014, in ISPI dossier Sochi 2014: l'azzardo di Putin, February 5, 2014.

Ritiro Nato dall'Afghanistan: incognite sulla realizzazione del gasdotto dal Turkmenistan all'India, Radio Vaticana, December 18, 2013.

Tapi, il gasdotto dell'indipendenza centroasiatica, Limes - Rivista Italiana di Geopolitica, September 17, 2013.

Il complesso ritiro della Nato dall'Afghanistan: l'opzione uzbeka, Ce.S.I. - Centro Studi Internazionali, July 16, 2013.

Shinzo Abe e le sfide del nuovo Giappone, Ce.S.I. - Centro Studi Internazionali, April 10, 2013.

Il ritorno della Russia nel Pacifico, Ce.S.I. - Centro Studi Internazionali, December 6, 2012.

Tibet e Cina: due facce della stessa repressione, L'Opinione, June 10, 2012.

Putin aiuterà ancora l'Iran sul programma atomico, L'Opinione, June 9, 2012.

Abkhazia e Ossezia non sono il Kosovo, NotaPolitica, June 3, 2012.
Braccio di ferro Usa-Russia sulla guerra civile siriana, L'Opinione, June 2, 2012.
Se Atene resta nell'Euro, Berlino propone il Geuro, L'Opinione, May 24, 2012.
Vittoria di Nikolic nella Serbia in crisi, L'Opinione, May 22, 2012.
C'è ancora guerra nel Nord Caucaso, L'Opinione, May 18, 2012.
Gli Usa testano con successo un nuovo missile anti-missile, L'Opinione, May 12, 2012.
Navalnij e Udaltsov, i leader dell'opposizione in Russia, L'Opinione, May 9, 2012.
Processo Tymoshenko: trema il mondo del calcio, L'Opinione, May 1, 2012.
L'idolo infranto: il Nabucco all'ultimo atto (nickname "Giuseppe Sanna"), Limes - Rivista Italiana di Geopolitica, March 8, 2012.
La strategia Pacifica della Russia (nickname "Giuseppe Sanna"), Limes - Rivista Italiana di Geopolitica, February, 23 2012.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Jun. 22-23, 2015	Organization assistance for the International workshop "Return of the Power State in Europe? The Evolution of Russian Political Thought after 1991". Deutsche Gesellschaft für Auswärtige Politik, Berlin, Germany.
Mar. 12, 2014	Lecture <i>Russia, terrorism and counterterrorism policy</i> in <i>Current Terrorist Movements</i> course. St. John's University, Rome, Italy.
Jan. 2014 – May 2014	Junior Analyst for the "Prospecta" project. General Staff of the Italian Army, Rome.
Mar. 6, 2013	Lecture <i>The Chechnya struggle for self-determination and its degeneration</i> in <i>Current Terrorist Movements</i> course. St. John's University, Rome, Italy.
Jan 2012–Apr 2012	Political Analyst for international relations, elections, security and energy policies. Embassy of Italy in Moscow - Political Bureau, Moscow, Russia.
Apr 2011–Nov 2011	Assistant and Commercial Analyst, U.S. Embassy to Italy - U.S. Department of Commerce, Rome, Italy.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

<i>Italian:</i>	Native-speaker.
<i>English:</i>	Excellent in reading, writing and conversation.
<i>French:</i>	Excellent in reading, good in writing and conversation.
<i>Spanish:</i>	Excellent in reading, good in writing and conversation.
<i>Russian:</i>	Good in reading, writing and conversation.
<i>Uzbek:</i>	Basic reading knowledge.

MEMBERSHIPS

ASIAC - *Associazione per lo Studio in Italia dell'Asia Centrale e del Caucaso*

CESS - *Central Eurasian Studies Society*

SISSCO - *Società Italiana per lo Studio della Storia Contemporanea*