

# Davide Grasso

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### Working Addresses

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Via Po, 18 – 10123 – Turin, Italy

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International University College  
Via Cigna, 37 – 10152 – Turin, Italy

### Areas of Competence / Specialization

Theoretical Philosophy, Social Ontology, Theory of Cultural Heritage, Theory of Change, Stakeholder Engagement, Social Impact Assessment, Syrian Civil War, Kurdish Studies

### Academic Affiliations

Prospect:

IMéRA - Institute for Advanced Study of Aix Marseille University (RFIEA, NETIAS, UBIAS)  
Chair, Programme de Recherche “Utopies Nécessaires”  
Partner Institution: École des hautes études en sciences sociales (EHESS)  
Timeframe: January 2024 - July 2024

Present:

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, General Sociology  
Department of Cultures, Politics and Society  
University of Turin  
Timeframe: January 2023 - December 2023

Adjunct Professor, Law and Ethics in Time of War  
International University College  
Partner institution, University of Turin  
January 2021 - August 2024

### Research

Research centers

Centro di ricerca interuniversitario di studi sulla sostenibilità socio-ecologica (CRISIS)  
*Centre for Inter-University Research in Socio-Ecological and Sustainability Studies*

## Academic associations

Società Italiana di Filosofia Politica (SIFP)  
*Italian Society of Political Philosophy*

Società Italiana di Filosofia Analitica (SIFA)  
*Italian Society of Analytic Philosophy*

Società Italiana di Scienza Politica (SISP)  
*Italian Society of Political Science*

Società Italiana di Studi sul Medio Oriente (SeSaMO)  
*Italian Society of Middle Eastern Studies*

Rete Italiana di Studi Curdi (RISC)  
*Italian Network of Kurdish Studies*

## Funding

Pathways for Co-creation between Local Authorities and Collective Actions for a Sustainable Transition (CO-SUSTAIN)

European Union's Horizon Europe Research and Innovation Programme 101132467

Length: January 2024 - December 2026

Role in the submission process: Co-writer and co-signatory of the project proposal

Operational Role: Team Member UNITO (Project Coordinator)

Operational Role (prospect): Responsible for daily Lab activities

Call Title: The climate imperative and its impact on democratic governance

Funding scheme: Research and Innovation Actions

Work Programme Topic: Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society

Principal Investigator: D. Padovan

Consortium: University of Turin, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna, Universidad de Grenada, Tartu Ülikool, Lappeenranta-Lahden teknillinen yliopisto, Instytut Gospodarki Surowcami Mineralnymi i Energią PAN, Associació Ecoserveis, Euroquality

## Current Research

Providing Operational Economic Appraisal Methods and Practices for Informed Decision-Making on Climate and Environmental Policies (PATTERN)

European Union's Horizon Europe Research and Innovation Programme 101056734

Length: July 2022 - July 2025

Operational Role: Team Member UNITO responsible for daily Lab activities

Academic Consortium Partners: Universidad Complutense de Madrid, University of Turin, Flemish Institute for Technological Research, University of Antwerp, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Lappeenranta-Lahti University of Technology

Other Partners: Euroquality, ISMERI Europa, Vlaamse Landmaatschappij, Netherlands Enterprise Agency, IRES Piemonte, Trøndelag County Authority, City of Lappeenranta

## *Involvement in Work Packages*

Work Package 1: *Creation of the framework for the bridging of ex post and ex ante analysis*

Work Package 2: *Creation of the interdisciplinary and participatory approach*

Work Package 3: *Ex post evaluation of past policies*

## *Accomplished Activity*

Task 2.1: *Stakeholder analysis and engagement*

Task 2.2: *Building a Theory of Change to identify evaluation needs*

Task 2.3: *Social side of policy impact*

## Teaching

Prospect:

2024, International University College, Partner Institution, University of Turin

Pre-Doctoral School in Comparative Law, Economic and Finance

Module: Law and Ethics in Time of War

2023-2024, University of Milano Bicocca

Scuola di perfezionamento in Teoria critica della società

Module: Ecologia e democrazia tra Kurdistan e Europa (*Ecology and Democracy between Europe and Kurdistan*)

Past:

2023, International University College, Partner Institution, University of Turin

Pre-Doctoral School School in Comparative Law, Economic and Finance

Second Term

Course: Law and Ethics in Time of War II

Module I: *Philosophy, Violence and Authority*

Module II: *Ethics and the Deconstruction of Law*

Timeframe: April-June 2023

Pre-Doctoral School in Comparative Law, Economic and Finance

First Term

Course: Law and Ethics in Time of War I

Module I: *The Revolution and Its Specters*

Module II: *Social Acts and Legal Systems*

Timeframe: January-March 2023

2022-2023, Scuola di perfezionamento in Teoria critica della società, University of Milano Bicocca

Course: Diritto e Stato (*State and Law*)

Seminar: Diritto, Stato e Rivoluzione. Che cosa possiamo apprendere dalla Guerra in Siria  
(*Law, State and Revolution. What we can learn from the Syrian War*)

Timeframe: January 2023

2022, International University College, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Università di Torino

Ll.m. in Comparative Law, Economics and Finance

Second Term

Course: Political Philosophy and the Deconstruction of Law

Module I: *Authority and power in relation to violence*

Module II: *Criteria of normative legitimation and deconstruction*

Ll.m. in Comparative Law, Economics and Finance

First Term

Course: Institutions and Politics in Time of Conflict

Module I: *Syria: A Multi-faceted Civil War*

Module II: *Diversity of de facto legal systems*

2021, International University College (Collegio Carlo Alberto, Università di Torino)

Ll.m. in Comparative Law, Economics and Finance

First Term

Course: Institutions and Politics in Time of Conflict

Title: *Contexts, Violence and Power: the Syrian Civil War*

## Publications

### Accepted Abstracts in Special Issues:

On Resilience. Notes for a Sociology of Socio-Ecological Systems, with C. Marciano, A. Sciullo, in *Resilienza: dilemmi e controversie attorno a un concetto socio-ecologico (Resilience: dilemmas and controversies around a socio-ecological concept)*, A. Alietti, D. Padovan, Eds, Studi di Sociologia, 2024

Power, revolution and governmentality in Rojava and north-east Syria: the Kurdish movement concept of the path to social change, in Grasso, D., Novellis, A., Eds, *Exploring the Kurdish Movement: Dynamics, Institution building and theoretical perspectives*, Partecipazione e Conflitto, 17(3bis), 2024

### Under peer-review:

Humanitarian Solidarity, Universalism and Imagination, Submitted article, High Rank International Philosophical Journal, Under peer-review

International Repression through Joint and Competitive Militarization: the Case of North and East Syria, Submitted article, Top Rank International Journal of Legal studies, Under peer-review

Nuances of Authority: Murray Bookchin, Abdullah Öcalan and the Rojava Militants, book chapter in a volume promoted by the Transnational Institute for Social Ecology, ed. by Tarinski, Yavor, and Venturini, Federico

### Forthcoming:

Heritage, Community and Future Generations. The Transgenerational Quest for Justice, *Rivista di Estetica*, 2023

Erased, Emerging, Engraved. Nazi architecture, heritage and public memory, with Liza Candidi, in *The Afterlife of Fascist-Era Architecture, Monuments and Works of Art in Italy*, ed. by C. Belmonte, Milano, Silvana Editoriale, 2023

Women's transformation of family law in war scenarios: the case of juristic action of women's movements in north-eastern Syria, Volume of the Proceedings of the International Conference, The Role of Women's Civil Society Organizations in Peace Processes, University of Siena, Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa and University of Milan, 2023

Introduction, with A. Novellis, in Grasso, D., Novellis, A., Eds, *Exploring the Kurdish Movement: Dynamics, Institution building and theoretical perspectives*, Partecipazione e Conflitto, 17(3bis), 2024

### Published:

Kulîlka biyabanê. Şoreşa jinê û komînan di navbera Iraqê û bakurê Sûrîyayê da (*The Flower of the Desert. The revolution of women and communes in Iraq and northern Syria*), Wergera ji zimanê erebî (Translated from Arabic to Kurmanji) by Dilyar Hoşê, Naqesh Publishing, Qamishlo, Syria, 2023

Social side of policy impact, with Cristina Barger, Lysander Fockaert, Petri Kero, Fatemeh Jouzi, Laura Lakanen, Chipu Peveling, Gianfranco Pomatto, Alessandro Sciullo, Per Erik Sørås, Lucia Zwart, European Union's Horizon Europe Programme "Providing operational economic appraisal methods and practices for decision-making on climate and environmental policies", Grant agreement 101056734, Deliverable D2.3 - Portal of the European Commission, June 2023

Building a Theory of Change to identify evaluation needs, with Soukaina Anougmar, Cristina Barger, Sigrid Johanne Husøy, Petri Kero, Fatemeh Jouzi, Laura Lakanen, Karolien Michiel, Paolo Pesciella, Alessandro Sciullo, Per Erik Sørås, Paul Van Der Sluys, Sophie Van Schoubroeck, Martijn Verdonk, Lucia Zwart, European Union's Horizon Europe Programme "Providing operational economic appraisal methods and practices for decision-making on climate and environmental policies", Grant agreement 101056734, Deliverable D2.2 - Portal of the European Commission, February 2023

The People's Communes in Rojava and North-Eastern Syria. Characters, Evolution and Contradictions of an Institution of Self-Government, *Études Kurdes*, 15, 2022

Zahrat Al-Sahra'. Thawrat Al-Nisa' wal-Kumiuwnat min Al-Eiraq wa-Shamal Suria (*The Flower of the Desert. The revolution of women and communes in Iraq and northern Syria*), translated by Amani Fawzi Habshi, Ahmed Ismail, Ronak Haji and Ismail Ismail, Shiler Publishing, Al-Qamishli, Syria, 2022

Autorité/avant-garde/autogestion: une tension incomprise dans la révolution confederale, in Crétois, Pierre, Jourdain, Édouard, "La démocratie sous les bombes. Syrie-Le Rojava entre idéalisation et répression", Bordeaux, Le Bord de l'Eau, 2022

Gender Equality or Legal Pluralism? An Ostensible Puzzle in Syrian Rojava's Legal System, Syrian Studies Association Bulletin, 2, 2021

Agamben, o coronavírus e o estado de exceção (*Agamben, the Coronavirus and the state of exception*), in Vozes do Fronte. Considerações sobre o irromper do Covid-19 na Itália (*Voices from the Frontline. Considerations on the Outbreak of Covid-19 in Italy*), with Donatella Di Cesare, Giorgio Agamben, Jonnefer Barbosa, Massimo Cacciari, Raffaele Alberto Ventura, Vinícius Nicastro Honesko, Venezia, Editora Âyiné, 2020

La rivoluzione come scienza-donna: una fragile eccezione nel deserto delle alternative (*Revolution as Woman-Science: a Fragile Exception in a Desert of Alternatives*), Spazio filosofico, 4, 2019

La città e il fantasma. Dal muro di Berlino ai nuovi muri (*The City and the Ghost. From the Berlin Wall to the New Walls*), Book, Rome, Castelvecchi, 2019

Omaggio al Rojava. Il fronte siriano, la rivoluzione confederale e la lotta contro il jihadismo (*Homage to Rojava. The Syrian Front, the Confederal Revolution and the Fight Against Jihadism*), Edited volume, Rome, Redstarpress, 2019

Artefatti, ostensione e realtà istituzionale. Le Unità Anti-Terrore nella guerra siriana (*Artifacts, Ostension and Institutional reality. The Anti-Terror Units in the Syrian War*), Giornale critico di storia delle idee, 2, 2018

Il fiore del deserto. La rivoluzione delle donne e delle comuni tra l'Iraq e la Siria del nord (*The Flower of the Desert. The Revolution of Women and Communes in Iraq and northern Syria*), Book, Milan, AgenziaX, 2018

Nuovi colori del Medio oriente (*New Colors of the Middle East*), in E. Battaglia, I nuovi volti del Mediterraneo. Dalle guerre altrui in terra di nessuno alla resistenza del popolo curdo (*New faces of the Mediterranean. From the 'War of Others' in a No Man's Land to the Kurdish Resistance*), Edizioni erranti, Cosenza, 2016

Travestimento della bellezza/Disguise of beauty, with Margot Pellegrino, in Amirante, R., Piscopo, C., Scala P. (dir.), La bellezza per il rospo, Clean, Napoli, 2014

Incarnazioni dell'intangibile. Idealità e scrittura tra memoria e progettazione (*Incarnations of the Intangible. Ideality and Writing between Memory and Project*), Rivista di estetica, 2, 2012

Tutela, stile, autografia. Ontologia dei beni culturali e architettura (*Style, Autography, Preservation. Ontology of the Cultural Heritage and Architecture*), in Rivista di estetica, 1, 2012

Ontologia dei beni culturali (*Ontology of Cultural Heritage*), Aphex – Rivista on line di filosofia, 4, 2011

Filosofi in archivio. Appunti di lavoro (*Philosophers in the Archive. Work Notes*), Historia Magistra. Rivista di Storia Critica, 6, 2011

Quale verità per la storia? Conoscenza, prassi linguistica e contesti sociali (*What Truth for History? Knowledge, Linguistic Praxis and Social Contexts*), Historia Magistra. Rivista di Storia Critica, 1, 2009

Memoria e conservazione. La Rückfrage delle istituzioni (*Memory and Preservation. The Rückfrage of Institutions*), Rivista di Estetica, 3, 2007

## National and International Conferences

Forthcoming (selection):

Building a new political community for a new democracy in the ecological transition and environmental crisis, with Alessandro Sciullo and Dario Padovan, ECPR general conference 2023, 4-8 September, Prague; Panel: Social and political sciences facing the climate crisis: Citizens, media, parties, and social movements; Chair: Cecilia Biancalana; Discussant: Alessandro Pellegata; Section: Political sociology of critical times; Chair: Oscar Mazzoleni; Co-chair: Johannes Kiess, University

Theory of Change based on Realist Evaluation: how to connect science and policy design, with Dario Padovan, Alessandro Sciullo, Convegno della Società Italiana di Scienza Politica (SISP), Università di Genova, September 14th-16th; Section "Political Science and Public Policies", Panel "Coping with thorny issues. The role of science in public policy design and communication"

Per un'ecologia politica dei conflitti: acqua, energia, cibo e materie prime nelle dinamiche politico-militari del geo-capitalismo (*For a Political Ecology of Conflicts: Water, Energy, Food and Primary Resources in the Military-Political Dynamics of Geo-Capitalism*), with Dario Padovan, Osman Arrobbio, Alessandro Sciullo, Andrea Taffuri, XIV Convegno di Sociologia dell'Ambiente "Crisi e complessità", 14-16 September 2023

The confederal democratic fashion of participatory democracy. Mandate and communal deliberation in self-governed North-eastern Syria, Convegno della Società Italiana di Scienza Politica (SISP), Università di Genova, September 14th-16th; Section "Political Theory", Panel "Rethinking participatory democracy. Theories, tools, experiences"

Past (selection):

Collective action for energy transition: for a communalism of energy, with Dario Padovan, Osman Arrobbio, Alessandro Sciullo, Davide Grasso, Andrea Taffuri, Workshop "Collective energy initiatives: per un'analisi sociologica critica", Dipartimento di Scienze Sociali, Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II, 22-23 giugno 2023

Community action in the energy and socioecological transition: theory, research, and perspectives, International Conference on Perception and Action, with Dario Padovan and Alessandro Sciullo, University of Groningen, June 21-23, 2023

Self-organized solidarity in Northern Italy during the Covid-19 Pandemic, with Dario Padovan and Alessandro Sciullo, SISP Standing Groups - Movimenti sociali e partecipazione politica, Study Days – "Social Movements and Collective Action in Times of Multiple Crises"; Chair: Federica Frazzetta; Discussant: Elisa Lello, May 26-27, 2023, University of Catania

Guerre del clima. Energia, acqua e materie prime nelle dinamiche dei conflitti armati, with Dario Padovan, Amedeo Reyneri Di Lagnasco, Davide Grasso, Fiorenzo Martini, Marco Mascia, Pier Paolo Franzese, Paola Raffa, Roberta Ricucci, Organizzato da Cattedra UNESCO in Sviluppo Sostenibile e Promozione del Territorio dell'Università di Torino in collaborazione con Centro di Ricerca interuniversitario "Crisis", 23 maggio 2023

Öcalan, Bookchin and the Threshold between Authority and Nature, Challenging Capitalist Modernity Conference III, Capitalist Modernity – The Multicide Regime, Session I: Ecocide, Network for an Alternative Quest, University of Hamburg, April 7th-9th, 2023

Social Impact Assessment: From Domains to Dimensions and Indicators, International Workshop of the Horizon Project "Providing operational economic appraisal methods and practices for informed decision-making on climate and environmental policies", Online, February 16th, 2023

Introduction to the Theory of Change. Underlying Assumptions, Rationales and the Logic of Change, International Workshop of the Horizon Project "Providing operational economic appraisal methods and practices for informed decision-making on climate and environmental policies", University of Turin, November 7th-8th, 2022

Guerre del clima: acqua, energia, cibo e materie prime nelle dinamiche politico-militari del geo-capitalismo (*Climate Wars: Water, Energy, Food and Primary Sector Resources in the Geo-Capitalistic Politico-Military Dynamics*), with Dario Padovan, Alessandro Sciullo, Cristiana Peano, “Pensare la discontinuità. Le scienze umanistiche e sociali di fronte al riscaldamento globale e alla crisi ecologica” (*Thinking Discontinuity. Humanities and Social Sciences Facing Global Warming and the Ecological Crises*), Dipartimento di discipline umanistiche, sociali e delle imprese culturali, Università degli Studi di Parma, October 17th-18th, 2022

The pandemic lefts between technocracy and imagination: Foucault, Agamben and the challenge to the notion of government, Italian Society of Political Science (Sisp) Annual Conference, Rome, Sept. 8th-10th, 2022, with Federica Frazzetta, Gianni Piazza, Giuliana Sorci, “Social movements and collective action in pandemic time”

Identity and demographic engineering in the Syrian Turkish-occupied lands. The transnational Kurdish question between ethnic and political cleansing, Italian Society of Political Science (Sisp) Annual Conference, Rome, Sept. 8th-10th, 2022, with Rosita Di Peri, Chiara Maritato, “A matter of Identity? States’ (in)security between border control and diasporas’ manipulation”

Kurdish Rojava, Autonomous Administration of North East Syria: propaganda or successful institutional experiment?, Panel Discussant; Panel Organizer; 15th International Conference of the Italian Society of Middle Eastern Studies; co-organized with the Italian Network for Kurdish Studies; with A. Novellis (Panel chair), A. Bilgen, T. McGee, K. Salih, C. Cemgil, S. Rostampour; Napoli, Università “L’Orientale”, June 22nd-24th, 2022

Current transformations of family law in Rojava and northeastern Syria: legislative action and implementation process in conflict areas, at the Kurdish Family Law Conference, organized by the Max-Planck-Institut für ausländisches und internationales Privatrecht in Hamburg, hosted by the Harnack-Haus, Max-Planck-Gesellschaft, with Shéhérazade Elyazidi and Sebastian Maisel, June 2nd-4th, 2022

Resistance and Scholarship. The Case of Academic Boycotts, Webinar promoted by the Italian Association for Middle Eastern Studies (SeSaMO), with Paola Rivetti, Francesca Biancani, Gennaro Gervasio, Samia Al-Botmeh, Nicola Perugini, May 26th, 2022

Women’s transformation of family law in war scenarios: the case of juristic action of women’s movements in north-eastern Syria, International Conference, The Role of Women’s Civil Society Organizations in Peace Processes, University of Siena, in cooperation with Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa and University of Milan, 5th-6th April 2022

Riflessività ed etica della ricerca in aree di conflitto. Esperienze di campo dal Kurdistan (*Research Ethics and Reflexivity in Conflict Areas. Experience from the Field in Kurdistan*), Webinar promoted by the Italian Association for Middle Eastern Studies (SeSaMO), with Daniela Pioppi, Rosita Di Peri, Andrea Novellis, Alessandro Tinti, Federico Venturini, December 14th, 2021

Autorité/avant-garde/autogestion: une tension comprise dans la révolution confederale, Centre Emile Durkheim (Université de Bordeaux), SPH (Université Bordeaux Montaigne), L’expérience du Rojava entre idéalisation démocratique et diabolisation répressive, November 22nd, 2021

The Concept of Authority in Bookchin’s Works and Rojava’s Communalism, Transnational Institute of Social Ecology, International Online Conference, October 30th - November 1st, 2021

International Repression through Joint and Competitive Militarization: the Case of North and East Syria, presented in the panel “Authoritarianisms in Search of Consolidation and Challenges to the Liberal Order: Remilitarizations, Dynamics of Adaptations and Political Phobias”, 27th International Congress of the Deutsche Arbeitsgemeinschaft Vorderer Orient, University of Osnabrück, September 16th-18th, 2021

Governance pandemica, resilienza autoritaria e prospettive della ricerca. Il caso delle regioni siriane nord-orientali soggette ad autogoverno (*Pandemic Governance, Authoritarian Resilience and Research Perspectives. The Case of North-Eastern Self-Governed Syrian Regions*), Società italiana di Scienza politica, Convegno nazionale, September 9th-11th, 2021

Reshaping the Opposition Space. The Perception of the Kurdish Strategy among Militants and Communities, International Workshop “Unpacking ‘the Opposition’ in undemocratic regimes: The Role, Transformation and Challenges of the Oppositional Actors in Turkey and beyond”, University of Turin, Dipartimento di Culture, Politica e Società, November 27th-28th, 2020

## Guest Lectures

Selection:

Emergenza e politica. Siria e Turchia tra guerra e terremoto (*Politics and Emergency: Syria and Turkey between Earthquake and War*), Guest Lecture, Corso di Filosofia Politica, prof.ssa Olivia Guaraldo, Università degli Studi di Verona, May 12th, 2023

Radical Imaginaries: The Political Philosophy of Democratic Confederalism, Corso di Dottorato dell'Università di Bologna, Dipartimento di Filosofia, prof. Sandro Mezzadra, May 11th, 2023

Beyond the hegemonic narrative on the ‘Kurdish Women’: reflections on the political philosophy of a (gendered) anti-colonial movement, Guest Lecture, with Rosita Di Peri, Course on Mashrek Politics and Institutions, Department of Cultures, Politics and Society, University of Turin, May 8th, 2023

Autorità e mutamento sociale: Kurdistan, un caso di studio dal Medio oriente (*Authority and Social Change: Kurdistan, a Case Study in the Middle East*), Guest Lecture, corso di Sociologia politica, prof. Giuseppe Acconcia, Università degli Studi di Padova, May 4th, 2023

Filosofia e tecnologia. Riflessioni su techne e Logos ispirate da Wladyslaw Tatarkiewicz, Theodor Schatzky e Mario Bunge (*Philosophy and Technology. Reflections on Techne and Logos inspired by Wladyslaw Tatarkiewicz, Theodor Schatzky and Mario Bunge*), Guest Lecture, Course in Sociotechnical Systems and the Environment, Corso di laurea magistrale in Comunicazione, ICT e media, University of Turin, October 20th, 2022

Gender and generational justice in the Syrian War. The attempts at reforming family law in the Confederate Autonomous Regions of the North-East, Course on Mashrek Politics and Institutions, prof. Rosita Di Peri, Department of Cultures, Politics and Society, University of Turin, May 18th, 2022

One, Two, Many Revolutions. Factions and Ideologies in the Syrian Civil War, Guest Lecture, Area and Global Studies for International Cooperation, Prof. Rosita Di Peri, Department of Cultures, Politics and Society, University of Turin, May 19th, 2021

Sradicamento o assimilazione: la falsa alternativa dei curdi e la memoria armeno-assira (*Uprooting or Assimilation: The Kurds' False Dilemma and the Armenian-Assyrian Memory*), Guest Lecture, Seminario di Antropologia della violenza, prof. Roberto Beneduce, Department of Cultures, Politics and Society, University of Turin, May 12th, 2020

L'impianto giuridico-istituzionale del confederalismo democratico (*The Juristic-Institutional Structure of Democratic Confederalism*), Guest Lecture, Corso di Dottorato in Diritti e Istituzioni “Le nuove forme di democrazia: democrazia partecipativa, democrazia dal basso, confederalismo democratico” (*New Forms of Democracy: Participatory Democracy, Democracy from Below, Democratic Confederalism*), Prof. Alessandra Algostino, Dipartimento di Giurisprudenza, University of Turin, January 29th, 2020

Nuove istituzioni nella guerra siriana. Profili di legittimazione e uso della forza (*New Institutions and the Syrian War. Profiles of Legitimization and the Use of Force*), Guest Lecture, Course of Sociology of Politics, prof. Giovanni Piazza, University of Catania, December 7th, 2019

Foreign Participation in the Syrian Conflict, Guest Lecture, Lorenzo De' Medici Institute, Florence, Course of International Law and Conflict Resolution, prof. Stefano Marinelli, November 18th, 2019

Sorveglianza e stato di diritto: dalla nozione di terrorismo alla pericolosità sociale (*Surveillance and Rule of Law: Notions of Terrorism and Social Danger*), Guest Lecture, Course of Philosophy of Law, prof. Claudio Sarzotti, University of Turin, November 6th, 2019



Teoria e prassi del progetto confederale in Siria (*Theory and Praxis of the Confederal Project in Syria*), Guest Lecture, University of Turin, with J. Bindi e M. E. Marcucci, Prof. Gianfranco Ragona, Prof. Monica Quirico, May 9th, 2019

Kobane-Italia: confini tra politico e criminale (*Kobane-Italy: Bordering Lines between Political and Criminal*), Guest Lecture, University of Genova, Prof. Gabriella Petti, Prof. Luca Palmas, April 9th, 2019

Le istituzioni politiche della Federazione della Siria del nord (*The Political Institutions of the Democratic Federation of Northern Syria*), Guest Lecture, Course of Sociology of Politics, Prof. Gianni Piazza, University of Catania, December 7th, 2018

Guerra globale e tecnologie del conflitto (*Global Wars and Conflict Technologies*), University of Cagliari, Prof. Giovanni Melis, April 3rd, 2017

### **Supervised Dissertations:**

Discussant:

Title: Women, Life, Freedom. Conceptualizing Middle East women activism through The Kurdish Women Movement: the case of Jineolojî

Student: Erika Magarelli

Nationality: Italy

Institution: Corso di Laurea in Area and Global Studies for International Cooperation, Department of Cultures, Politics and Society, University of Turin

Supervisor: Rosita Di Peri

Discussants: Davide Grasso, Chiara Maritato

Supervisor:

Title: *Various Models of Direct Democracy Through Historical Perspective: Comparing Constitutional Systems of Socialist Yugoslavia and Confederal Movement in Northern Syria*

Student: Pavle Antonijević

Nationality: Serbia

Institution: Master's Thesis for LL.M. in Comparative Law, Economics, and Finance at the International University College of Turin, Class of 2022

Title: *Adorno, Horkheimer, and the Revolution in Rojava: Overcoming the Enlightenment in Theory and Practice*

Student: Lauren Sweger-Hollingsworth

Nationality: United States of America

Institution: Master's Thesis for LL.M. in Comparative Law, Economics, and Finance at the International University College of Turin, Class of 2022

Title: *How Migrants Can Be Used by the State in Order to Implement Policies of Ethnic or Political Engineering: A Case Study from the Syrian-Turkish Border*

Student: Marian Pleasant Kgarbo

Nationality: Republic of Sierra Leone

Institution: Master's Thesis for LL.M. in Comparative Law, Economics, and Finance at the International University College of Turin, Class of 2022

Title: *Power, Violence and Race: A Comparative Analysis of Policing During the January 2021 Insurrection and the Black Lives Matter Movement in the United States of America*

Student: Tameka C. Franco

Nationality: United States of America

Institution: Master's Thesis for LL.M. in Comparative Law, Economics, and Finance at the International University College of Turin, Class of 2021

Title: *Repercussions of the International Intervention in Libya in the Sub-Saharan countries. Case study: the Republic of Mali*

Student: Diakite El hadji Den

Nationality: Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

Institution: Master's Thesis for LL.M. in Comparative Law, Economics, and Finance at the International University College of Turin, Class of 2021

## **Field Research**

Years: 2015-2017

Locations: Turkey, Israel, Palestinian Territories, Iraq, Syria

Scientific Fields: Sociology of Institutions, Political Philosophy, Middle Eastern Studies, Philosophy of Cultural Heritage

Case-Studies: Syrian War, Turkish-Kurdish Conflict, Daesh Insurgency, Israel-Palestine Conflict

Years: 2006-2011

Locations: France, United Kingdom, Germany, United States of America

Scientific Fields: Philosophy of Architecture, Ontology of Cultural Heritage, Urban Studies

Case-Studies: Les Halles (Paris), The Cloysters (New York), the Berlin Wall (Berlin), the Park Royal Brewery (London)

## **Research Assistance**

Year: 2013

Institution: Centre national de la recherche scientifique (Parigi)

Description: Assistance in urban surveys (Paris Region; Porte de Bagnolet, Porte d'Auteuil)

## **Archive Research**

Years: 2008-2009

Institutions: Bundesarchiv Berlin-Lichterfelde (Berlin), Archiv und Bibliothek Papiertiger (Berlin), English Heritage Archives (London), Archives de Paris-Porte des Lilas (Paris)

Description: research of historical legal documents, documents of urban history

Year: 2004

Institution: Centro studi Luigi Pareyson (Torino)

Description: research of unpublished philosophical writings

## **Scientific Editing and Peer-reviewing**

Years: 2007-2023

Institutions: Italian Publishers, National and International Academic Journals

Description: Peer-review of scientific articles in the realms of philosophical, historical, and legal studies. Compilation and/or editing of bibliographical references in volumes, references to pagination for English translations, editing, compilation of bibliographies for philosophical works.

## **Extra-Academic Teaching**

2020, Formont Scarl

European Projects (Peveragno, Italy)

Course: Political Geography

Title: Dalle guerre mondiali ad oggi: Berlino e Praga, storia, movimenti sociali e trasformazioni urbanistiche  
(*From World Wars to the Present Day: History, Urban Transformations and Social Movements in Berlin and Prague*)

2019, Formont Scarl

European Projects (Peveragno, Italy)

Course: Political Geography

Title: Autonomia e scienza delle donne. Il protagonismo femminile tra Iraq e Siria del nord  
(*Autonomy and the Science of Women. Female Activism Between Northern Syria and Iraq*)

## Literary Publications

Guerra a Daesh e baci nei film (*War to Daesh and Kisses in Movies*), in V.A., Omaggio al Rojava. Il fronte siriano, la rivoluzione confederale e la lotta contro il jihadismo, Roma, Redstarpress (2019)

Hevalen (*Friends*), Alegre Edizioni, 2017

New York Regina Underground. Racconti dalla Grande Mela (*New York Underground Queen. Tales from the Big Apple*), Bari, Stilo Editrice, 2013

## Journalism and Blogging

*Years:* 2011-2022

*Activity:* Blogger, Political Analyst

*Fields:* Middle East, United States of America, Eastern Europe

*Newspapers and Blogs:* Micromega, Il fatto quotidiano, Minima&Moralia, Il lavoro culturale, Alphabeta2

## Didactic Assistance

*Year:* 2007

*Institution:* Università di Torino

*Description:* Assistance to students with mental disabilities. Interaction and support in the field of Philosophical Logic

## Awards

National Prize “Giacomo Ferrari”

*Institution:* Fondazione Bocchi for the “Racconti del reale” Section (First Prize)

*Work:* Hevalen (*Friends*), Alegre, 2017

*Year:* 2019

National Prize “Emilio Bocca”

*Institution:* Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa (First Prize)

*Work:* Sulle tracce della realtà sociale. Uno studio ontologico del Muro di Berlino (*On the Tracks of Social Reality. An Ontological Study of the Berlin Wall*), Master Dissertation, 2007

*Year:* 2008

Optime Prize

*Institution:* Unione industriale di Torino

*Work:* Recenti interpretazioni filosofiche del pensiero di Giacomo Leopardi (*Recent Philosophical Interpretations of Giacomo Leopardi's Thought*), Undergraduate Dissertation, 2004

*Year:* 2005

## Education

### Ph.D. in Moral, Theoretical Philosophy and Hermeneutics

*Date:* February 15th, 2011; *Final Grade:* Ottimo (*Excellent*)

*Institution:* Università degli studi di Torino

*Dissertation:* Eredità culturali. Tracce, significati, funzioni (*Cultural Heritages. Tracks, Meanings, and Functions*)

*Supervisors:* Maurizio Ferraris, Giovanna Borradori, Venziano Raspa

## **Visiting Scholar in the United States**

*Academic Years:* 2009-2010; 2010-2011

*Institution:* Columbia University in the City of New York (New York)

*Supervisor:* Achille Varzi

## **Visiting Scholar in France**

*Academic Year:* 2008-2009

*Institution:* Institut Jean Nicod (École des hautes études en sciences sociales, École Normale Supérieure, Paris)

*Supervisor:* Roberto Casati

## **Master's Degree in Philosophy**

*Date:* July 19th, 2007; *Final grade:* 110 magna cum laude

*Institution:* Università di Torino, Corso di laurea Magistrale in Filosofia e Storia delle Idee

*Dissertation:* Sulle tracce della realtà sociale. Uno studio ontologico del Muro di Berlino (*On the Tracks of Social Reality. An Ontological Study of the Berlin Wall*)

*Supervisors:* Maurizio Ferraris, Pietro Kobau

## **Erasmus Program in Germany**

*Academic Year:* 2005-2006

*Institution:* Humboldt Universität zu Berlin (Berlin)

*Supervisors:* Karin Lohr, Pierpaolo Portinaro

## **Bachelor's Degree in History**

*Academic Year:* 2003-2004

*Institution:* Università di Torino, Corso di laurea Triennale in Società e Culture dell'Europa

*Dissertation:* Recenti interpretazioni filosofiche del pensiero di Giacomo Leopardi (*Recent Philosophical Interpretations of Giacomo Leopardi's Thought*)

*Supervisors:* Alessandro Klein, Giorgio Ficara, Arnaldo Di Benedetto

*Final Grade:* 110 magna cum laude

## **Linguistic Skills**

Mother tongue: Italian

Fluent: spoken and written English, French

Fair: spoken and written German, Kurdish (Kurmanci)

Fair translation skills: Ancient Greek, Latin

Beginner: Arabic