

Academic Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION:

- 2001-2005 **European University Institute (Florence – Italy)**
PhD in Social and Political Sciences (Supervisor: Philippe C. Schmitter).
- 1999-2000 **School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London (UK)**
Masters (MA) in Near and Middle Eastern Studies, with major in Politics, and minors in Anthropology & Arabic. Distinction.
- 1993-1999 **University of Fribourg (CH)**
Bilingual MA (French-German) in Modern History & Greek Philology, with a year as an Erasmus student at the University of Bonn, Germany, and a one-semester Swiss Mobility in Basel. *Summa Cum Laude*

WORK EXPERIENCE (ACADEMIC POSITIONS, SELECT):

- July 2015- **Associate Professor**, Sociology Department, New School for Social Research, New York.
Interim Chair (Spring 2020), Director of Graduate Studies (2021-2022), Director of Undergraduate Studies (2016-2018). On leave January-July 2019.
- Jan-July 2019 **Associate Professor**, Department of Social and Political Science, *Scuola Normale Superiore*, Firenze.
- 2014-2015 **Professeur Ordinaire (Full professor)**, Chair in History of Contemporary Societies, University of Fribourg (Switzerland).
- 2012-2014 **Assistant Professor**, Hagop Kevorkian Center for Near East Studies. Associate Member of the Middle East and Islamic Studies Department, New York University.
- 2010- 2012 **Visiting Associate Professor**, Politics Department, New School for Social Research, New York.
- 2008-2010 **Assistant Professor** (*professore a contratto*), Department of Political Science, Bologna University. BA course: *Storia e Istituzioni dei Paesi del Mediterraneo*.
- 2009-2011 **Research Fellow, Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding**, Graduate Institute of International Studies and Development, Geneva. Research on Islamic charities and on Arab civil society.

- 2008-2010 **Research Fellow, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies**, European University Institute, Florence. Coordinator of a project on citizenship in Europe and scientific webmaster of the site: <http://eudo-citizenship.eu/>.
- 2006 -2008 **Marie Curie Post-Doctoral Fellow**, European University Institute, Department of History, Florence. Research on European identity seen in an historical perspective.

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS:

BOOKS:

- 2022 *Violence and Representation in the Arab Uprisings*, Cambridge University Press (Global Middle East Series), in production.
- 2013 *Imagining Europe: Myth, Memory and Identity*, co-authored with Chiara Bottici, New York: Cambridge University Press.
- 2010 *The Myth of the Clash of Civilizations*, co-author Chiara Bottici, London: Routledge. [Paperback available since June 2012].
- 2009 *Palestinian Civil Society: Foreign Donors and the Power to Promote and Exclude*, London: Routledge.
- 2000 *La Ligue Marxiste Révolutionnaire en Suisse Romande (1969-1980)*, Fribourg: Presses de l'Université de Fribourg.

EDITED VOLUMES:

- 2021 Special issue on “Religion, Law and Politics”, guest editor with Camil Ungureanu *Religions*, 6 papers, https://www.mdpi.com/journal/religions/special_issues/rlp
- 2016 *The Struggle for Influence in the Middle East: The Arab Uprisings and Foreign Assistance*, co-edited with Federica Bicchi and Steven Heydemann, London: Routledge.
- 2015 *Vienne 1814-1815. Journaux du Congrès de Jean de Montenach et Anna Eynard-Lullin*, edited with Alexandre Dafflon, and Jim Walker, Fribourg : Société d'Histoire du Canton de Fribourg.
- 2014 Guest co-editor (with Steven Heydemann and Federica Bicchi), of a special issue of *Mediterranean Politics*, Vol 19, Num. 3: “The Politics of Foreign Aid in the Arab World: The Impact of the Arab Uprisings,” (9 contributions).
- 2013 Guest editor of a special issue of *Constellations. An International Journal of Critical and Democratic Theory*, Vol. 20, Num. 1, “Social Theory and the Arab Uprisings” (7 contributions).
- 2012 *Le développement, une affaire d'ONG ? Associations, Etats et bailleurs dans le monde arabe*, co-edited with Caroline Abu-Sada, Paris: Karthala-IREMAM (6 contributions).

- 2011 *The Politics of Imagination*, edited with Chiara Bottici, Abingdon: Birkbeck Law Press (12 contributions).
- 2009 Guest co-editor of the *Journal of Educational Media, Memory, and Society*, Vol. 2, Num. 1. Special issue on "Myths and Maps of Europe" (6 contributions).

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES IN JOURNALS:

- 2021 "Toward an Interstitial Global Theory", co-authored with Chiara Bottici. Special issue on Re-Imagining Civilization, *Globalizations* pp. 1-24 (early view at: [10.1080/14747731.2021.1989140](https://doi.org/10.1080/14747731.2021.1989140)).
- 2021 "L'Europa Oltre l'Eurocentrismo?", co-authored with Chiara Bottici. *International Order and Human Rights / Ordine Internazionale e Diritti Umani*, Special Issue N. 4 (November) on "The Role of Judgment within Multi-level Legal Orders", pp 87-112.
- 2020 "The Political Economy of Local Governance in Yemen: Past and Present", co-authored with Joshua Rogers, *Contemporary Arab Affairs* 13(4), pp. 45-69.
- 2020 "Current Legacies of Colonial Violence and Racialization in Tunisia," *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East* 40(2), pp. 248-255.
- 2019 "Europe After Eurocentrism?", co-authored with Chiara Bottici Special issue on The Future of Europe, Agon Hamza & Frank Ruda (eds), *Crisis & Critique* 7(1), pp. 56-87. 2022: Greek translation forthcoming.
- 2016 "Mobilisations politiques dans le monde arabe et nouvelles affirmations de la citoyenneté", *Asterion. Philosophie, Histoire des Idées, Pensée Politique*, Vol. 14, <https://asterion.revues.org/2720>.
- 2016 "Entre État et Religion : Repenser la société civile et l'Etat civil depuis les Révoltes Arabes", *Maghreb-Machrek*, No. 224-225, pp. 47-60.
- 2015 "Class, violence and citizenship in the Arab uprisings: assessing deeper forms of transition", *Historiein*, Vol. 15, Num. 1, pp. 83-101. Available online at: <http://ejournals.epublishing.ekt.gr/index.php/historiein/article/view/2331>
- 2015 "The Invisible Alienation of Tunisian Youth", *Middle East Report* 276 (Fall), pp. 30-31.
- 2014 "Revisiting Aid in the Arab Middle East", *Mediterranean Politics* Vol. 19, Num. 3, pp. 281-298.
- 2014 "The False Question of the Middle Class in the 'Arab Spring'", *Middle East Topics and Arguments*, Vol. 2, Num. 1, pp. 17-21.
- 2013 "Against the Grain: Locating the Spirit of the Arab Uprisings in Times of Counter-revolution", *Constellations. An International Journal of Critical and Democratic Theory*, Vol. 20, Num. 2, pp. 169-187.
- 2012 "Civil Society in Revolt: From the Arab Spring to Occupy Wall Street" (co-authored with Chiara Bottici), *Jadaliyya*, (peer-reviewed e-zine), 30 Oct. 2012, at:

http://www.jadaliyya.com/pages/index/8073/civil-society-in-revolt_from-the-arab-spring-to-oc.

- 2012 “*Quwa al-Mujtama’ al-Madani al-Mu’arridha*” [The Counter Power of Civil Society] (Arabic translation of next article on the Arab revolts), *Siyasat* Num. 17-18, pp. 9-26.
- 2011 “The Counter Power of Civil Society and the Emergence of a New Political Imaginary in the Arab World”, *Constellations. An International Journal of Critical and Democratic Theory*, Vol. 18, Num. 3, pp. 271-283.
- 2009 “1989, Contested Memories and the Shifting Cognitive Maps of Europe”, *European Journal of Social Theory*, Vol. 12, Num. 3, pp. 397-408.
- 2009 “Fatah-Hamas Rivalries after Gaza: Is Unity Impossible?”, *The International Spectator*, Vol. 44, Num. 3, pp. 7-13.
- 2009 “From Hammer and Sickle to Star and Crescent. The Question of Religion for European Identity and a Political Europe”, *Religion, State and Society*, Vol. 37, Num. 1, pp. 65-80. (reprinted in Lucian Leustean and John T. S. Madeley (eds.), 2010. *Religion, Politics and Law in the European Union*, London: Routledge, pp. 59-74.
- 2009 “European Identity and Its External Others Seen from History Textbooks (1950-2005)”, *Journal of Educational Media, Memory, and Society*, Vol. 2, Num. 1, pp. 60-96.
- 2008 “A *Nahda* of Charitable Organisations? Health Service Provision and the Politics of Aid in Palestine”, *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, Vol. 40, Num 2, pp. 227-247.
- 2008 “The Evolution of Western Aid for Palestinian Civil Society: The Bypassing of Local Knowledge and Resources”, *Middle Eastern Studies*, Vol. 44, Num. 3, pp. 397-417.
- 2008 “Les mutations du leadership palestinien: des accords d’Oslo à la victoire du Hamas (1993-2007)”, *A Contrario*, Vol. 5, Num. 2, pp. 12-37.
- 2006 “Rethinking Political Myth. The Clash of Civilizations as a Self-Fulfilling Prophecy”, (co-authored with Chiara Bottici), *European Journal of Social Theory*, Vol. 9, Num. 3, pp. 315-336.

BOOK CHAPTERS, WORKING PAPERS & REVIEW ESSAYS:

- 2023 “Europe Without Eurocentrism? An Essay in Critical-colonial Studies” (with Chiara Bottici), in Georgios Tsagdis, Rozemund Uljée and Bart Zantvoort (eds), *Re-Imagining Europe*, Albany: SUNY Press (forthcoming).
- 2022 “De-Centralization in Yemen: The Case of the Federalist Draft Constitution of 2015”, in Asli Bali and Omar Dajani (eds), *Federalism and Decentralization in the Contemporary Middle East*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (in production).
- 2022 “Palestine” (with Alaa Tartir), in Ellen Lust (ed.) *Middle East*, Washington: CQ Press, 16th Edition (in production).

- 2022 “Assessing ‘Transition’, Citizenship, and Violence in the 2011 Arab Uprisings”, in Gamze Evcimen (ed.), *The Handbook of Sociology and the Middle East*. London: I.B. Tauris. (currently under review).
- 2021: “*Al-Lamarkaziyya fil-Yemen wa Masudat al-Dustour Al-Fidiralay Aam 2015*” [Decentralization in Yemen and the 2015 Draft of a Federal Constitution – in Arabic]. *Al-Masar*, num. 65 (<https://al-masar.org/>), pp. 21-74.
- 2021 “From the Twilight of the Ottoman Empire to the Caliphate Redux: The Tortuous Journey of Arab Statehood”, in Mohammad-Mahmoud Ould Mohamedou (ed.), *State-Building in the Middle East and North Africa. One Hundred Years of Nationalism, Religion and Politics: The Middle East and North Africa, 1917-2017*, London: IB Tauris (ISBN: 9780755601394), pp. 41-64.
- 2021 “The Social Life of Non-profit and Third Sector in the Middle East”, in Armando Salvatore, Sari Hanafi, and Kieko Obuse (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of the Sociology of the Middle East*, Oxford: Oxford University Press. Online. DOI: 10.1093/oxfordhb/9780190087470.013.20
- 2019 “Palestine” (with Alaa Tartir), in Ellen Lust (ed.) *Middle East*, Washington: CQ Press, 16th Edition, pp. 597-621.
- 2018 “Research in and on the Palestinian Occupied Territories”, in Janine A. Clark and Francesco Cavatorta (eds.), *Political Science Research in the Middle East and North Africa: Methodological and Ethical Challenges*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 62-72.
- 2017 “Debates on civil society in the Mediterranean”, in Federico Volpi and Richard Gillespie, (eds.), *Routledge Handbook of Mediterranean Politics*, Vol. VI: Non-state actors and social movements, London: Routledge, pp. 295-308.
- 2017 “Citizenship and Violence in the Arab worlds. A Historical Sketch”, in Bryan S. Turner and Jürgen Mackert (eds.), *The Transformation of Citizenship*, Vol. 3: Struggle, Resistance and Violence, London: Routledge, pp. 93-112.
- 2016 "Squaring the Circle? The Limits of Applying Transitory Frames to the Arab Revolts", in Emel Akcali (ed.), *Neoliberal Governmentality and the Future of the State in the Middle East and North Africa*, London: Palgrave, pp. 15-30.
- 2016 “Palestine” (with Alaa Tartir), in Ellen Lust (ed.) *Middle East*, Washington: CQ Press, 15th Edition, pp. 707-735.
- 2015 “Pour une histoire social du congrès de Vienne”, in Benoit Challand, Alexandre Dafflon, and Jim Walker (eds.), *Vienne 1814-1815. Journaux du Congrès*, Fribourg: Société d’Histoire du Canton de Fribourg, pp. 21-61.
- 2014 “Islamic charities on a fault line. The Jordanian case”, in Jonathan Benthall and Robert Lacey (eds.), *Gulf Charities and Islamic Philanthropy. In the 'Age of Terror' and Beyond*, Berlin: Gerlach Press, pp. 53-78.
- 2013 “Comparative perspective on the growth and legal transformations of Arab (Islamic) charities”, in Rajeswary A. Brown & Justin Pierce (eds.), *Charities in the Non-Western*

- World. The Development and Regulation of Indigenous and Islamic Charities*, London: Routledge, pp. 292-309.
- 2013 “Palestinian National Authority” in Ellen Lust (ed.) *Middle East*, Washington: CQ Press, 14th Edition, pp. 688-716.
- 2012 “Projets, relations et fabrique des politiques publiques. Une (nouvelle) introduction aux associations et ONG dans le monde arabe”, (with Caroline Abu-Sada) in Caroline Abu-Sada (ed.), *Le développement, une affaire d’ONG ?*, Paris: Karthala-IREMAM, pp. 11-40.
- 2012 “Islam and the European public sphere”, (co-authored with Chiara Bottici), in Lorenzo Zucca and Camil Ungureanu (eds.), *Law, State and Religion in the New Europe: Debates and Dilemma*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 142-161.
- 2011 “*Socialisme ou Barbarie* or the Partial Encounters Between Anarchism and Critical Marxism”, in Dave Berry, Ruth Kinna, Saku Pinta and Alex Prichard (eds.), *Libertarian Socialism*, London: Palgrave, pp. 210-231.
- 2011 “Les relations entre acteurs associatifs et Etat, clé de compréhension des révolutions arabes”, (with Caroline Abu-Sada), *Revue Humanitaire. Enjeux, Pratiques, Débats*, Num. 28, July, pp. 34-43.
- 2011 “Religion and the struggle for people’s imagination: the case of contemporary Islamism”, in Chiara Bottici and Benoit Challand (eds.), *Politics and Imagination. Rethinking politics as a struggle for imagination*, London: Routledge, Birkbeck Law Series, pp. 142-161.
- 2011 “Introduction” (with C. Bottici) in Chiara Bottici and Benoit Challand (eds.), *Politics and Imagination. Rethinking politics as a struggle for imagination*, London: Routledge, Birkbeck Law Series, pp. 1-15.
- 2011 “Coming too late? The EU’s mixed approaches in transforming the Israeli-Palestinian conflict” in Nathalie Tocci (ed.) *The Nexus between the EU, Civil Society and Conflict in the European Neighbourhood*, London: Routledge, pp. 96-125. [Reprint of 2010 Working Paper, cf infra]
- 2011 “L’ascesa di Hamas come erede del nazionalismo laico palestinese” in Laura Guazzone & Daniela Pioppi (eds.) *Il conflitto israelo-palestinese 1993-2010. Vincitori e vinti senza pace*, Roma: Quaderni Sapienza Orientale, pp. 163-185.
- 2010 “Palestinian National Authority” in Ellen Lust (ed.) *Middle East*, Washington: CQ Press, 12th Edition, pp. 603-31.
- 2010 *Coming too late? The EU’s mixed approaches in transforming the Israeli-Palestinian conflict*, Working Paper, MICROCON Policy Paper 12, Brighton. Available online at: http://www.microconflict.eu/publications/PWP12_BC.pdf.
- 2009 “Sur l’emploi des catégories dans la discussion ‘une alternative Méditerranéenne’”, contribution to *Jura Gentium, Journal of Philosophy of International Law and Global Politics* V(1). <http://www.juragentium.org/topics/med/forum/fr/challand.htm>.
- 2009 “Intertwined Identities: A gender-based reading of the visual representations of contemporary Islam in European textbooks”, in Gerdien Jonker and Shiraz Thobani (eds.),

Narrating Islam. Interpretations of the Muslim World in European Texts. London: I. B. Tauris, pp. 120-150.

- 2008 “*Hawla al-mujtama’ al-madani fi filasteen. Dirasah naqdiyah*” (in Arabic) [On Civil Society in Palestine: A Critical Study], *Seyasat*, Vol. 2, Num. 2, pp. 22-37.
- 2007 “Palestinesi contro. Una storia lunga quarant’anni”, *LIMES– Rivista Italiana di Geopolitica*, Num. 5, pp. 57-77 (reprinted in *Limes I Classici* Num. 1, 2010).
- 2007 “Il 1967 e la trasformazione del baricentro palestinese: Potere politico e confini sociali nei Territori Occupati” in Arturo Marzano & Marcella Simoni (eds.), *Quarant’anni dopo. Confini, barriere e limiti in Israele e Palestina (1967-2007)*, Bologna: Il Ponte, pp. 49-71.
- 2006 *Civil Society, Autonomy, and Donors: International Aid to Palestinian NGOs*, Working Paper, European University Institute, Florence.
- 2005 “Looking Beyond the Pale: Civil Society Promotion in Palestine”, *Palestine-Israel Journal*, Special Issue on Civil Society, Vol. 12, Num. 1, pp. 56-63.

AWARDS / GRANTS:

- 2020 & 2021 Nominated for Outstanding Achievements in Social Justice Teaching, by the Provost Office, New School.
- Fall 2021 Nominated for Distinguished University Teaching Award (DUTA), New School.
- Fall 2021 Mellon Periclean Faculty Leaders: Program in the Humanities, for a creative course on Settler Colonialism, & Capitalism with walking tours organized by: Lenape Center, American Indian Community House and Black Gotham Experience.
- 2018, 2020 and 2021
Lang Civic Liberal Arts Initiative Fund for an interdisciplinary, extra muros course: *Blind Spots: A Walk Through New York's Black Past*, an Interdisciplinary course with graphic artist Kamau Ware, Black Gotham Experience.
- 2015-2016 NSSR Dean’s Office. Faculty research grants for research on the praxis of citizenship in Tunisia
- 2014 Fonds National de la Recherche (Swiss Research Council). Funding for two international exploratory workshops.
- 2008 Marie Curie Post-Doctoral Fellow, European University Institute, Dept. of History, Florence.
- 2001-2005 PhD grant from the Swiss Ministry of Higher Education for doctoral studies at the European University Institute, Florence (IT).

PUBLIC OP-EDS:

- Jan. 2022 “How the Smithsonian spawns Lenape erasure. The institution tasked with telling the true story of the Lenape should get it right”. co-authored with Brent Michael Davids, *Indian Country Today*, <https://indiancountrytoday.com/opinion/how-the-smithsonian-spawns-lenape-erasure>
- Dec 2019 “Trump and Israeli-style Disdain for International Law”, co-authored with Emmanuel Guerisoli, *Z-Net*, <https://zcomm.org/znetarticle/trump-and-israeli-style-disdain-for-international-law/>
- Dec. 2016 “The Disaster Has Already Happened: Trump’s Victory Seen From Afar”, *Public Seminar*, <http://www.publicseminar.org/2016/12/the-disaster-has-already-happened-trumps-victory-seen-from-afar>
- Jan. 2016 “The Tunisian Moving Seminar”, *Public Seminar*, <http://www.publicseminar.org/2016/01/the-tunisian-moving-seminar>
- Dec. 2015 “Invisible Alienation, Visible Violence A relational view of Tunisian youths”, *Public Seminar*, <http://www.publicseminar.org/2015/12/tunisia-invisible-alienation-visible-violence>
- Oct. 2015 “Just a Peaceful Quartet? Reasons for celebrating the Tunisian Nobel Peace Prize”, *Public Seminar*, <http://www.publicseminar.org/2015/10/just-a-peaceful-quartet>

PUBLIC EVENT CO-ORGANIZER:

- 28 May 2019 “Mobilisation, identités et classes sociales. Le cas des mobilisations *Hirak* en Algérie”, **Scuola Normale Superiore**, Firenze.
- 9 Feb. 2018 “Grounded Struggles: Land, Dispossession, and Freedom”, Screening of three films (Tunisia, Morocco, and Brazil), with panel discussion including 5 speakers, Wollman Hall, **The New School**.
- 18-19 Jun. 2015 Organizer of a two-day workshop on the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Vienna Congress and Switzerland, with presentation of the edited volume: *Vienne 1814-1815. Journaux du Congrès*, Funding from the **Swiss National Science Foundation, Fribourg**.
- 9-11 Feb. 2013 Co-organizer with the Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies (Geneva), of a regional conference: *The Role of Political and Civil Societies in Egypt and Tunisia* (35 participants), **American University in Cairo, Egypt**.
- 18-19 Apr. 2012 Co-organizer with the Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies (Geneva), of a regional conference *Arab Spring: Challenges during Political Transitions and Comparative Lessons for Civil Societies in the Middle East and North Africa* (50 participants), **Amman, Jordan**, with support of the *Friedrich Ebert Stiftung*.

CONFERENCE ORGANIZER:

- July 2020 Summer School on “Settler Colonialism in Comparative Perspectives”. Postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. It will be rescheduled at the **Arab American University in Palestine**, Ramallah.
- 27 Mag. 2019 “Gramsci in the Middle East. Theoretical Perspectives on Subaltern Studies in the Modern Arab Middle East”, **Scuola Normale Superiore**, Florence, (9 participants)
- 14-18 Nov. 2018 Panel Director for the Annual Meeting of the **Middle East Studies Association** (MESA), San Antonio. Comparative panel on “Democratic Resource or Institutional Trap? Processes of Decentralization in Post- 2011 Tunisia, Libya, and Yemen”, 4 participants.
- 18 Nov. 2016 Panel Director for the Annual Meeting of the **Middle East Studies Association** (MESA), Boston. Co-direction with Prof. Sami Zemni (Ghent University, Belgium) of a panel on “Tunisia Five Years Later: The Forgotten Structures of Revolutionary Practices?,” 5 participants.
- 18 Mar. 2015 Organizer of a round-table on “Histoire et Pratique du Terroir: Experts et Artisans Discutent la Mode du Terroir”, **Université de Fribourg**, 6 participants.
- 6-8 Nov. 2014 Organizer of an International Exploratory Workshop: “Developing Agriculture, Cultivating Sovereignty? A cross-study of agricultural development and political mobilizations in the Arab Middle-East (1940-2014)”, **Université de Fribourg**, 16 participants.
- 9-12 Oct. 2013 Panel Director for the Annual Meeting of the **Middle East Studies Association** (MESA), New Orleans, USA. Co-direction with Prof. Mona Atia (George Washington University, Washington DC) of a panel on “Islamic Charities and International Aid”, 5 participants.
- 27-28 Jun. 2013 Conference organizer “The Politics of Foreign Aid in the Arab Middle East. Have the Arab Uprisings changed the practice?”, **New York University** (NYU La Pietra), Florence, 12 participants.
- 20-23 Mar. 2013 Workshop director, with Daniel Monterescu (CEU, Budapest), of a panel “The Violence of Pluralism: Urban Transformations and New Political Subjectivities in the Rebellious Mediterranean”, **Mediterranean Programme Conference**, jointly European University Institute and Marsin University (Turkey), 15 participants.
- 17-20 Nov. 2012 Panel for the Annual Meeting of the **Middle East Studies Association** (MESA), Denver CO. Co-direction with Dr. Elvire Corboz (Near East Studies, Princeton) of a panel on “The Chain of Islamic Charity: Contemporary Practices and Evolving Discourses,” 5 participants.
- 18-19 Jan. 2011 Convener of an exploratory workshop on *Zakat in a Comparative Light*, **Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies**, Geneva, 6 speakers.

- 29-30 May 2009 Co-convenor with Daniel Monterescu of a conference on *Enclaving Identity, Remaking Borders: The Politics of Symbolic Differentiation in the Circum Mediterranean*, **Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies**, European University Institute. 12 speakers.
- 06-08 Nov. 2008 Member of the Scientific Committee for an interdisciplinary conference *The impact of 1989 on Europe: Structural integration but ideational divergence?*, **European University Institute, Florence**.
- 28-29 Sept. 2007 Co-convenor (with Marcella Simoni) of the Conference *Traumas in the Eastern Mediterranean: Between Family, Civil Society and State*, under the auspices of the **Mediterranean Programme, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies**, Florence, 8 speakers.
- 29 Mar. 2007 Co-convenor (with Bo Stråth) of the Conference on *Myths and Maps of Europe*, (a historical perspective on the links between spatio-temporal representations of Europe and founding myths), **European University Institute, Florence**, 6 speakers.
- 25-26 Jan. 2007 Co-convenor (with Bo Stråth and Chiara Bottici) of the Conference on *Imaginative Power. Politics as Struggle over People's Imagination*, **European University Institute, Florence**, 15 speakers.

INVITED TALKS-CONFERENCE PAPERS:

- 22 June 2021 Panel on “Sociology of the Middle East: New Perspectives”, with four other speakers, Annual conference **SeSaMo** (Italian Society for Middle Eastern Studies), Napoli.
- 9-10 May 2022 “Doing research in the context of *Stati Carabinieri*. Positionality and methodology ten years after 2011”, paper to be presented at the conference on Gramsci in the Middle East and North Africa Conference, **London School of Economics**, London.
- 14 October 2021 Panel on “20 Years: Critical Reflections on the global ‘War on Terror’”, with two other speakers, Sociology Department, Brown Bag series, **New School for Social Research**, New York.
- 3 Nov. 2020 “The Young Gramsci and Colonialism: Intuitions and Shortcomings”, paper presented at the Sociology Department, Brown Bag series, **New School for Social Research**, New York.
- 31 March 2020 “Global Theory as Interstitial Investigations”, paper presented at the Conference “Global Knowledge”, organized by Prof. Raphael Liogier, **Columbia University**, New York. (Cancelled due to COVID-19).
- 20 Feb 2020 “Europe after Eurocentrism? The Test of Migration and Citizenship”, paper co-presented with Chiara Bottici, at the **Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies**, Geneva.

- 29 Nov. 2019 Discussant for the panel “Colonialism, Nationalism, Socialism”, at the Conference, Practices and Discourses of National Identity in Left-Wing Politics, **Scuola Normale Superiore**, Florence.
- 14 Nov. 2019 “Reconstituting the Collective Body: Yemeni Debates about Federalism after President Saleh”, paper presented in the panel “From Revolution to Devolution? Exploring the potential for decentralizing reforms in the Middle East and North Africa”, **Middle East Studies Association**, Annual Conference, New Orleans.
- 30 Sept. 2019 Book discussant: Ian Hartshorn’s *Labor Politics in North Africa. After the Uprisings in Egypt and Tunisia* (Cambridge University Press 2019), Hagop Kevorkian Center for Near East Studies, **New York University**.
- 17-19 Sept. 2019 “Europe after Eurocentrism?”, paper presented at the conference “Re-Imagining Europe. Europe’s Legacy: Genealogy and Hope” KNIR Colloquium, **Royal Netherlands Institute in Rome**, Rome.
- 11-13 Jul. 2019 “Historical Sociology and the Study of Citizenship in the Arab Middle East, paper presented at the conference “The Condition of Democracy and the Fate of Citizenship”, **Potsdam Center for the Study of Democracy**, Potsdam.
- 27 May 2019 “The Young Gramsci and Colonialism: Intuitions and Shortcomings”, paper presented at the conference “Gramsci in the Middle East. Theoretical Perspectives on Subaltern Studies in the Modern Arab Middle East”, **Scuola Normale Superiore**, Florence.
- 16 May 2019 “Diplomazia nel Mediterraneo Orientale: Antichità e Mondo Arabo Contemporaneo”, dialogo interdisciplinare con Prof.ssa Anna Magnetto, Incontri LiberaMente, **Scuola Normale Superiore**, Pisa.
- 28 April 2019 ““Studying The 'Chilling Effect' on Islamic Charities. Reflections on Palestine and the Gulf Region”, presentation at the Conference “Rethinking Methodological Approaches to Islamic Movements”, **European University Institute**, Florence.
- 18 Mar. 2019 “Decentralization in Tunisia”. Presentation at the workshop at the **Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies**, Geneva.
- 3 Febr. 2019 “Colonial Persistence in New York City”, talk given in the framework of **The Night of Philosophy and of Ideas**, 2019 edition, Brooklyn Public Library, New York.
- 28 Jan. 2019 “The Dialectics of State-Society Relations: Lessons from Post-2011 Tunisia and Yemen”, Public Lecture in the series ““Politics and Depoliticization”, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology **Central European University**, Budapest.
- 16 Nov. 2018 “An Unrealizable Objective? Federalism, Republican Constitutional Order, and the 2014 Yemeni Draft Constitution”, paper to be presented for

- the panel “Democratic Resource or Institutional Trap? Processes of Decentralization in post-2011 Tunisia, Libya, and Yemen, **Middle East Studies Association**, Annual Conference, San Antonio.
- 28 Sep. 2018 “The Dialectics of Decentralization in Tunisia and Yemen. Historical Lessons”, paper to be presented at the **Institut de Recherche sur le Maghreb Contemporain (IRMC)**, Tunis, Tunisia.
- 24-25 May 2018 “The Impossibility of Decentralization in a Non-centralized Context? Historical Lessons on the 2014 Yemeni Draft Constitution”, paper presented at the conference: “Historical and Comparative Macrosociology of Middle Eastern Legal Systems”, **Instituto Internacional de Sociologia Juridica di Onati**, Onati, Spain.
- 5 Apr. 2018 “Yemen after the Arab Spring. The Vicissitude of a New Constitution”, paper presented at the Third World Studies Program, **University of California San Diego**, San Diego.
- 20 Feb. 2018 “The Arab Revolts and the Question of Representation. A Comparative Perspective”, paper presented at the *Posgrado en Humanidades, Linea Filosofía Moral y Política*, **Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana**, Iztapalapa Campus, Mexico City.
- 27-28 Sept. 2017 “From the Twilight of the Ottoman Empire to the 'Caliphate' Redux: The Elusive Arab State”, Paper presented at the conference on *Elusive State-Building - The Middle East and North Africa 1917-2017*, **Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies**, Geneva.
- 3-4 Feb. 2017 “The Impossible Consolidation of Citizenship in Post-Revolutionary Tunisia?”, Paper presented at a workshop on Tunisia “Six Years after the Fall of Ben Ali”, **Harvard University**, Boston.
- 18 Nov. 2016 “The revolutionary praxis of civility in Tunisia and its legacies,” Paper presented at a panel on *Tunisia Five Years After*, **Middle East Studies Association**, Annual Conference, Boston.
- 4 Nov. 2016 “Council Communisms and the 1917 Revolution”, Workshop on the Centennial of the Russian Revolution, **New School for Social Research**, New York.
- 23 Aug. 2016 “The myth of the clash of civilizations”, Keynote Speech at the Summer School on Political Myth and Propaganda, **University of Antwerp**, Antwerp.
- 25 Jul. 2016 “Nonviolence and Civility: The Revolutionary Praxis in Tunisia and its Legacies”, Colloquium on Citizenship and Power, **University of Western Sydney**, Sydney.
- 28 Apr. 2016 Panel discussion “A Subaltern Social Science Speaks: The Contemporary Arab Knowledge Scene, Global and Regional Knowledge in the Study of Islamic Institutions and Arab Societies”, **McGill University**, Montreal.

- 22 Apr. 2016 “Violence and Civility: Revisiting 2011 Tunisian Protests,” presentation at the Graduate Student Conference on *Mapping Research on the Middle East at The New School*, **New School for Social Research**, New York.
- 17 Dec. 2015 “Thinking Beyond ‘Regional Stability’. The Destabilizing Factor of International and Regional Aid”, Paper presented at the International Conference on *Radicalization in the Mediterranean Region: Old and New Drivers and Regional Strategies for Action*, **Middle East Technical University (METU)**, Ankara.
- 23 Nov. 2015 “Historical and Sociological Comments on the Notion of Hope”, Discussant for a four-member panel on Hope in the Arab Middle East, MESA panel, **Middle East Studies Association**, Annual Conference, Denver.
- 27 Apr. 2014 “Representation in the Arab Revolts”, Paper presented at the **20th Anniversary Conference of Constellations**, The New School for Social Research, New York.
- 24 Nov. 2013 “The Impacts of International Aid in Palestine: When Aid Becomes a Market of Obedience”, Paper presented at a panel on Geographies of aid, **American Anthropological Association**, Chicago.
- 4 Nov. 2013 “Markets of Obedience: Discussing the Impacts of International Aid in Palestine”, Paper presented at the Near East Studies Program (Brown Bag seminar), **Princeton University**, Princeton.
- 30 Oct. 2013 “Civil Society and Class Struggle in the context of the Arab Uprisings”, Guest lecture at the **Research Center for Historical Analysis, Rutgers University**, New Brunswick.
- 27 Jun. 2013 “Too Little, Too Late. Foreign Aid and the EU Response to the Arab Revolts. Lessons from Palestine and Egypt”, Jean Monnet Lecture, convened by Prof. Francesco Strazzari, **Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna**, Pisa.
- 7 Jun. 2013 “Le poids de la société civile dans les révoltes arabes”, Paper presented at the Conference on Religion et Etat. Logiques de la sécularisation et de la citoyenneté en Islam. **Graduate Institute, Geneva**.
- 14-15 Dec. 2012 “Quels rôles ont joué les sociétés civiles dans les révoltes arabes?” Paper presented at a Colloque “Penser les révolutions arabes”, directed by Makram Abbas, **Ecole Nationale Supérieure**, Lyon.
- 5-9 Dec. 2012 “The Regulation of Arab Islamic Charities in Comparative Perspective”, paper presented at a conference on “Philanthropy, State and Globalization” held in **Hong Kong and Guangzhou** (China).
- 19 Nov. 2012 “How Political are Islamic Charities?: Debating Arab Charities in Comparative Perspective”, paper presented for the **annual MESA (Middle East Studies Association)** Conference in a panel on “The Chain of Islamic Charity”, Denver.

- 5-7 Oct. 2012 “Religion and Politics after the Arab Uprisings”, Paper presented at a workshop on “Religion and Social Cohesion in Conflict-Affected Countries”, **University of Denver**’s Center for Sustainable Development & International Peace, Vail.
- 16 Jul. 2012 “Islamic charities on a fault line. The Jordanian case”, paper accepted for the workshop “Gulf charities in the ‘Age of Terror’ and the ‘Arab Awakening””, **Gulf Research Meeting 2012**, R. Lacey and J. Benthall Workshop Directors, Cambridge UK.
- 9 Jun. 2012 “The relevance of the Arab-Israeli Conflict for the Arab revolts”, paper presented at the conference *Europe and the Arab Region Post January 2011: Coping with Multifaceted Challenges*, **Free University Berlin** with the German Council on Foreign Relations, Berlin.
- 18-19 Apr. 2012 “Civil society, political society and state responses”, chair of the panel for the conference on *Arab Spring: Challenges during Political Transitions and Comparative Lessons for Civil Societies in the Middle East and North Africa*, **Amman, Jordan** (co-organized by the Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies, Geneva).
- 7-9 Mar. 2012 Annual Jean Monnet Lectures, **Sant’Anna, Pisa**, Italy. 4-hour lectures on “Civil Society and the Arab Revolts” and “International aid in Western Asia. The State-Security Nexus”, coordinated by Prof. Francesco Strazzari.
- 28 Nov. 2011 “The End of the ‘Middle East’? Three Theses on the Arab Revolts”, talk given at the **Sociology Department, SUNY-Binghamton**, Binghamton.
- 17 Nov. 2011 “The Arab Revolts: Between Regional Opportunities and International Constraints”, talk given at the Political Science Department, **CUNY Hunter College**, New York.
- 20 Jun. 2011 “The Dead Angles of Western Aid in the Arab World: Religious and Charitable Organizations”, paper presented at a workshop on *Aid and Freedom of Association*, **Birzeit University**, Birzeit.
- 8-9 Jun. 2011 Annual Jean Monnet Lectures, **Sant’Anna, Pisa**, Italy. 6-hour lectures on “International aid in Western Asia. The Nexus Security, Fragile State and Civil Society”, including research seminar with graduate students, coordinated by Prof. Francesco Strazzari.
- 8 Apr. 2011 “Islamism as an Application of the Nexus Politics and Imagination”, paper presented at the 28th Annual Conference of the American Council for the Study of Islamic Societies, **College of William & Mary**, Williamsburg.
- 31 Mar. 2011 “Revolts or Revolutions? A Comparative Reading of the Arab Spring’s Protests”, invited lecture, Philosophy Department, **Adelphi University**, Garden City.

- 24 Mar. 2011 “Temporality and the Process of *De-centering* in the Making of European Memories”, paper presented at annual Conference on Memory: Memory. Silence, Screen, Spectacle, **New School for Social Research**, New York.
- 23 Feb. 2011 “The Counter-Power of Civil Society. A Comparison of Arab Revolts”, paper presented at a round-table discussion on *Protest, Rebellion, Revolution: A Roundtable on Events in Egypt and Beyond*, **New School for Social Research**, New York.
- 18 Jan. 2011 “Zakat in the West Bank and Gaza after the 2007 Reforms. Towards an Increased Politicization”, paper presented at the workshop on *Zakat in a Comparative Light*, **Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies**, Geneva.
- 12 Nov. 2010 “Islamic Charities and the Criminalization of Aid’, paper presented at the workshop on ‘Humanitarian Action under Scrutiny: Criminalizing Engagement with Non-State Groups’, Program on Humanitarian Policy and Conflict Research (HPCR), **Harvard University**, Cambridge.
- 28 Sept. 2010 “Foreign Donors and the Power to Promote and Exclude. The Barriers of Institutions”, paper presented at the international conference on *Geographies of aid intervention in Palestine*, organized by the **University of Ghent and Birzeit University**, Birzeit.
- 5 Jun. 2010 “The Veil as Surveillance Tool. An Analysis of the Visual Representations of Contemporary Islam in European Textbooks”, paper presented at the conference *Verschleierter Orient – Entschleierter Okzident?* (Veiled Orient, Unveiled Occident?), **Islamic and Gender Studies Departments, University of Zurich**, Zurich.
- 16 Apr. 2010 “Freedom of Association in Palestine: The Case of Islamic Charities”, Presentation in the MA course of Prof. Armando Salvatore (Sociology of Islam), **University L’Orientale**, Napoli.
- 19 Mar. 2010 “Comparative Perspectives on NGOs in the Arab World”, paper given as panel discussant for the conference TANMIA – Debating ‘Development’ in the Arab World, **Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies**, Geneva.
- 28 Jan. 2010 “The Impact of International Support for Palestinian Civil Societies? What to do with Charitable and Religious Organizations?”, paper presented at a conference on *Research on Civil Society Organizations in the Greater Middle East*, **Foundation for the Future**, Amman.
- 4 Nov. 2009 “Donors and Civil Society in Palestine. The Case of Charitable Organizations”, paper presented at the Conference on “Palestinian State-Building after Oslo”, **Bir Zeit and Najah University**, Ramallah and Nablus.
- 19 Jun. 2009 “Israeli and Palestinian Civil Societies Active in Conflict Transformation. An Analysis”, Presentation of a report for the MICROCON comparative

research on *EU, Conflict Transformation and Civil Society*, **Istituto per gli Affari Internazionali**, Roma.

- 16 May 2009 “Neo-Orientalism, Scientific Literature and the Reproduction of the Myth of a Clash between Civilisations”, paper presented at the Conference on “Philosophy and the Social Sciences”, at the Institute of Philosophy at the **Czech Academy of Sciences**, Prague.
- 14 May 2009 “Turkey as the ‘Other’ of Europe : Some Historical Reflections”, Keynote speaker at a Graduate Summer School, organized by Prof. Hakan Yilmaz, Center for European Studies, **Boğaziçi University**, Istanbul.
- 17 Apr. 2009 “L’ascesa di Hamas come erede del nazionalismo laico palestinese”, (Hamas as heir of Palestinian nationalism’), Paper given in a series of lectures organized by Prof. Laura Guazzone, Facoltà di Studi Orientali, **Università la Sapienza**, Roma.
- 30 Mar. 2009 “Ethnography of Aid: The Case of External Support for Palestinian Civil Society”, Presentation at the Master in Political Geography, led by Prof. Benedikt Korf, **University of Zurich**, Zurich.
- 4 Mar. 2009 “Fatah-Hamas Rivalries after Gaza: Impossible Unity”, Guest lecture organized by Prof. Ellen Lust-Okar, **MacMillan Center, Yale University**, New Haven.
- 28 Nov. 2008 “Régimes autoritaires, sociétés civiles et transitions politiques”, Guest lecture at the graduate seminar *Sociologie Politique*, **Institut Universitaire d’Etudes du Développement**, Masters in Development Studies, Université de Genève.
- 30-31 May 2008 “Is Islam a Challenge for the European Public Sphere? Discussing the Premises”, Paper (co-authored with Chiara Bottici) presented at the Conference *Religion in the European public sphere*, **European University Institute**, Florence.
- 12-14 Mar. 2008 “The Hiatus Between Northern Institutional Isomorphism around ‘Civil Society’ and Southern Alternative Framings of Social Work. The Case of Palestine and Islamic NGOs,” Paper accepted for the Conference *European Development Aid and NGOs: Changing Notions of Civil Society in ‘North’ and ‘South’*, **Centre for Civil Society, London School of Economics**, London.
- 19 Dec. 2007 “The Clash of Civilisations as a Political Myth,” Paper co-presented (with C. Bottici) at the BISA Annual Conference, British International Studies Association, **Cambridge University**, Cambridge.
7. Dec . 2007 “Fondations historiques du concept de société civile et implications contemporaines dans les politiques de développement”, Guest lecture at graduate seminar, **Institut Universitaire d’Etudes du Développement**, Masters in Development Studies, Université de Genève, Geneva.

- 28 Sept. 2007 “Donors and Civil Society in Palestine: Autonomy and Recognition at Risk”, Paper for the Conference *Historical Trauma between Family, Civil Society and State in Israel and Palestine*, Mediterranean Programme, **Institut Universitaire Européen**, Florence.
- 8-9 Sept. 2007 “De-Secularization in Europe and the Consequences for the Nexus Human Rights-Religion”, Paper presented for the panel *Religion In The Public Sphere: Towards A New European Model?*, 4th General Conference of the **European Consortium for Political Research**, Pisa.
- 16 Jun. 2007 “From Sickle to Crescent. The Question of Religion for European Identity”, Paper presented at the conference *Religion and Politics in the Construction of the European Union*, **London School of Economics**, London.
- 16-17 May 2007 “De-Secularization in Europe and the Consequences for the Nexus Human Rights-Religion in the Middle East”, Paper presented at the Fourth Conference on Human Rights: *Human Rights and Religion*, Center for Human Right Studies at **Mofid University**, Qom (Iran).
- 10-12 May 2007 “Il 1967 e la trasformazione del baricentro palestinese. Potere e confini sociali e politic,” (i.e. ‘1967 and the Transformation of Palestinian Political Centre and Leadership’), Paper for the Panel ‘1967: Israel from the Green Line to the Separation Wall’, **Annual Congress of SeSaMo** (Italian Society for Middle Eastern Studies), Florence.
- 29 Mar. 2007 “Sickle and crescent: the communism in the fifties and Islam today as the other of Europe,” Paper for the Conference on *Myths and Maps of Europe*, **European University Institute**, Florence.
- 25-26 Jan. 2007 “Islamism and the Political Use of Imagination: Some Lessons for our Post-Modern Condition?,” Paper for the Conference on *Imaginative Power. Politics as Struggle over People's Imagination*, **European University Institute**, Florence.
- 15-30 Jul. 2006 Invited Fellow to the Summer Academy on *Islam and the Repositioning of Religion*, **Institute of Advanced Study in the Humanities – Essen** (Germany), resulting in a peer-reviewed paper in *International Journal of Middle East Studies*.
- 8 Dec. 2005 “Civil society promotion. Some elements for a sociology of autonomy,” job talk at the Sociology Department, **Princeton University, Princeton** for a position of assistant professor.
24. Nov. 2005 “External Aid and the Shortcomings of Civil Society Promotion in the Middle East”, lecture in Italian given for the graduate students, SAMOMU (*Seminario sul Medio Oriente e Mondo Musulmano*), Anthropology Dept., **Università di Milano-Bicocca**, Milano.
- 18 May 2005 “Rethinking Political Myth. The ‘Clash of Civilizations’ as a Self-Fulfilling Prophecy”, Paper co-authored with Chiara Bottici and presented at the Conference on “Philosophy and the Social Sciences”, at the Institute

of Philosophy at the **Czech Academy of Sciences**. Panel on “Cultural Criticism Reconsidered”, Prague.

- 25 Mar. 2005 “Benevolent Actors? International Donors and Civil Society Support for Palestinian NGOs”, Paper for the workshop on ‘MEDA and Democracy Promotion in the Arab Mediterranean’, delivered at the **6th Mediterranean Programme Conference** (EUI), Florence.
- 14 Mar. 2002 “‘Insiders’ vs. ‘Outsiders’: A Significant Theme in Palestinian Politics?”, Paper delivered at the **3rd Mediterranean Programme Conference** (EUI), Florence.
- 10 Nov. 2001 “Medical vs. Advocacy NGOs in Palestine: An Example of Different Social Capitals?”, Workshop on “The Social Capital of Religion and Ethnicity. Civility, Conflict and Reconciliation in three War-Torn Areas of the Eastern Mediterranean”, led by Armando Salvatore, Bo Stråth and Peter Wagner, **European University Institute**, Florence.
- 15 Jun. 2001 “From the First to the Second *Intifada*: The Role of the PLO Returnees”, Paper delivered at a Conference on Return Migration, organized by the **Research Institute SHAML**, Ramallah.

COURSES TAUGHT:

Nominated for Outstanding Achievements in Social Justice Teaching, Fall 2020 and Fall 2021.
Nominated for Distinguished University Teaching Award (DUTA), Fall 2021.
Nominated for Best Teaching award, Fall 2010.

Graduate Level:

- Spring 2022 *Contemporary Sociological Theory*, NSSR, Sociology [required course]
Fall 2021 *Capitalism & Settler Colonial Present in NYC*, NSSR, Sociology (cross-listed GHIS)
- Spring 2021 *Contemporary Sociological Theory*, NSSR, Sociology [required course]
Fall 2020 *Global Critical Theory*, NSSR, Sociology (cross-listed GPHIL)
- Spring 2020 Pro-Seminar [PhD seminar], NSSR, Sociology
Spring 2019 All at *Scuola Normale Superiore*, Firenze (Italy):
Postcolonial Citizenship and Violence in the Arab Middle East
Advanced Introduction to Theories in Social Sciences III: Contemporary Sociological Theory
Subaltern and Popular Politics in the Arab Middle East,
- Spring 2016-2018 *Contemporary Sociological Theory*, NSSR, Sociology [required course]
Spring 2018 *Settler Colonialism*, NSSR, Sociology and History
Fall 2016 *Violence and Social Movements*, NSSR, Sociology and Politics
Spring 2017 & 2018 *Independent Study*, NSSR, Sociology
Fall 2015 & 2018 *Islam and Authority. Sociological Perspectives*, NSSR, Sociology
- Fall 2014 *Théories et Concepts de la Socio-Histoire*, Univ. of Fribourg
Spring 2014 *Histoire du Conflit Israélo-Palestinien* (Lecture Course and Seminar), University of Fribourg
- Fall 2013 *Sociology of the Middle East*, New York University, Kevorkian Center
Fall 2013 *Independent Study*, NYU, Kevorkian Center

Spring 2013	<i>Palestinian Politics and Society</i> , NYU, Kevorkian Center
Fall 2012	<i>Culture, Politics, and History of the Middle East</i> , NYU, Kevorkian Center
Spring 2012	<i>Islam and Social Theory</i> , NSSR, Sociology (cross-listed GPOL)
Fall 2011	<i>Revolution and Social Change in the Middle East</i> , NSSR, Sociology (cross-listed GPOL)
Fall 2012-2013	<i>Revolution and Social Change in the Middle East</i> , NYU, Kevorkian Center
Fall 2011	<i>The Forms of Europe: Critical perspectives on European integration</i> , NSSR, Politics
Fall 2010	<i>The Politics of Foreign Aid in the Middle East and Africa</i> , NSSR, Politics
2009	<i>Sociology of Development: An Introduction</i> , Univ. di Pavia
2006-2011	<i>Introducing Methodological Enquiry</i> (15-hour modules with a focus on qualitative methods), Universities. di Pavia, Pisa, and Bethlehem

Undergraduate Level:

Fall, 2021, Spring 2020 & Fall 2018	<i>Blind Spots of NYC: Capitalism and Exclusion</i> , Civic Liberal Arts Initiative Course, co-taught with Kamau Ware (Black Gotham Experience), Lang College
Fall 2020	<i>Global Critical Theory</i> , Eugene Lang College, Sociology (also LPHIL)
Spring 2018	<i>Independent Study</i> , Eugene Lang College, Sociology
Spring 2017	<i>Critical Social Thought: The Problem of Nature and the Design of Society</i> , Interdisciplinary course with Cinzia Arruzza, Philosophy, Lang College
Spring 2016	<i>Contemporary Social Theory</i> , Lang College
Fall 2015 & 2017	<i>Sugar and Cotton and the Making of Global Capitalism</i> , Lang College
Fall 2014	<i>Communismes et anticommunismes</i> , Univ. of Fribourg
Fall 2014	<i>Introduction à l'histoire contemporaine (XIXème-XXème siècles)</i> , Univ. of Fribourg
Fall 2014	<i>Une histoire sociale de la Bande de Gaza</i> , Univ. of Fribourg
Spring 2014	<i>Histoire politique et transnationale des révoltes arabes de 2011</i> , Univ. of Fribourg
Spring 2012	<i>Revolution and Social Change in the Middle East</i> , Lang College
Spring 2012	<i>Independent Study</i> , Eugene Lang College, Politics
Fall 2011	<i>Independent Senior Study</i> , Lang College
Spring 2011	<i>Civil Society and Democratization in the Middle East</i> , Lang College
2008-2010	<i>Historical Sociology of the Middle East (Storia e Istituzioni dei Paesi del Mediterraneo)</i> , Univ. of Bologna
Spring 2006	<i>Globalization: A European Perspective</i> , Richmond College, Florence
Spring 2006	<i>Comparative Middle Eastern Politics</i> , Gonzaga University in Florence,
Fall 2005	<i>History of European-US Relations since World War II</i> , Gonzaga in Florence.

THESIS SUPERVISIONS

FIRST READER OF PHD THESES AT NEW SCHOOL FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH (NSSR), SOCIOLOGY:

- “Mobilizing for Black Identities in a Color-Blind Political System. The Case of France”;
- “An Ethnography of the *Isishweshwe Story* Exhibition at a South African Public Museum”;

- “Identity-Making and the Building of an ‘Afro-Turk’ Community in Izmir”;
- “Tropical Architecture: Chinese Knowledge in Africa at a Time of Decolonization”;
- “Popular Politics, Citizenship, and the Making of the Integral State in Colombia”;
- “Legacies of settler colonialism in the Appalachian Mountains, Ireland, and Hong-Kong”;

MEMBER OF DOCTORAL COMMITTEES AT NSSR (second reader):

- “The Rationalities of the Dual State. Religious Jurisprudence in the Islamic Republic of Iran”;
- “Authority and Externality in Constitution Making: A Comparison of Three East Asian Cases”;
- “Infrastructure(s) of Intimacy: Class, Gender, and Social Reproduction in Urban Pakistan”;
- “Post-Ottoman Religious Control. The Case of the *Diniyyat* in Modern Turkey”.

MEMBER OF COMPLETED PHD COMMITTEES AT NSSR:

- “Fashioning Religious Selves in A Secular Age”, by Patrick Gilger (co-supervisor). Completed June 2021;
- “The Political Economy of Illegalisms: Markets, Borders, and Migration”, by Douglas De Toledo Piza (second reader). Completed May 2021;
- “‘It is not about being nice. It is about being fair’. Emotions, Organizing and Collective Identity Formation. The Case of the National Domestic Workers Alliance”, by Carlos Pineyro (third reader). Defended Dec. 2020.
- “Unraveling the Secular: Social Constituents of Religious Politics in Turkey and India”, by Bahar Tabakoglu (second reader). Completed Sept. 2019.
- “Networked Movements, Digital Dissidence, and Internet Law: Gezi Resistance and its Legal and Political Aftermath”, by Zeynep Ustun (third reader). Completed Aug. 2019;
- “Internationalization Alive. International Student Experiences, Higher Education and the Imagination of Brazil in the Global Knowledge Economy”, by Frederico Oliveira (third reader). Completed September 2018;
- “Between Values and Norms: *Amnesty International* and *Human Rights Watch* on Long-Term Economic Sanctions (1961-2016)”, by Rezvaneh Ganji (second reader). Completed May 2018;
- “Between Hunger and Heaven. Poverty and Moral Life at a Christian Church in Taiwan”, by Scott Beck (third reader). Completed April 2018;
- “Water, Dam and Riparian Politics in Turkey. Keban Dam and Modernization Theories”, by Joe Lombardo (third reader). Fulbright scholarship and external grant from American Research Institute in Turkey (ARIT) for 12 and 4 months. Completed Jan. 2018.

DEAN REPRESENTATIVE IN PHD DEFENSES AT NSSR:

- “The Concept of Affect in the Philosophy of Henri Bergson”, PhD in Philosophy by Miguel Paley (June 2022);
- “From Isolation To Inclusion: Reprioritizing Patient Care through Peer Support”, PhD in Sociology by John J. Michalczyk III (October 2021);
- “Frantz Fanon’s Philosophy of Race: Self, World, and Revolution”, PhD in Philosophy by Maxwell Tremblay (May 2018);
- “Boredom, Symptom Severity, and Hallucination Proneness”, PhD in Psychology by Carolyn Khanian (June 2017);
- “Role of Family Functioning and Suicidal Self-injurious Ethnic Minority Adolescent”, PhD in Psychology by Valerie Ellois (Dec. 2015);
- “Weapons between Wars: Cluster Bombs and the Durable Worlds of War in South Lebanon”, PhD in Anthropology by Vasiliki Touhouliotis (Dec. 2015).

CO-SUPERVISION OUTSIDE OF NSSR (second reader at Parsons School of Design):

- “*Leave no MRAP Behind. A Critical Materialist Account of Urban Imaginaries in Post-9/11 U.S. and Middle East*”, by FaDi Shayya, Parsons School of Design, MA Studio Theories of Urban Practice. Completed: May 2016. Direction: Prof. Evren Uzer;
- “*Containing A Logistical Paradise: Uneven Infrastructure Space in Colon, Panama*”, by Guillermo Leon Gomez. Parsons School of Design, MA Studio Theories of Urban Practice. Completed: May 2018. Direction: Prof. Evren Uzer.

CO-SUPERVISION OF PHD THESES OUTSIDE OF NEW SCHOOL

- “*Mobilizing for or through development? Trajectories of civic activism in post-authoritarian Tunisia*”, by Ester Sigillò, Dottorato di ricerca in “Scienza della Politica”, XXIX Ciclo. **Scuola Normale Superiore**, Firenze. Completed: May 2018. Direction: Prof. Donatella Della Porta. Second reader;
- “*La religion pour langage : Genèse et sociologie de l’espace des organisations religieuses pour la paix (Israël-Palestine, 1987-2019)* ”, by Caterina Bandini, Centre Maurice Halbwachs de Sociology, **École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales**, Paris. Completed: March 2022. Direction : Prof. Patrick Michel. Third reader.

MA THESES AT NSSR, HISTORY (CO-SUPERVISION):

- “*Peasants in Sarekat Islam. Sufi and Nationalism in Indonesia*”, by Awis Mranani, under supervision of Prof. Aaron Jakes (May 2016);
- “*Ottoman Kurdish provinces and the arts of resisting administrative categorization*”, by Deren Ertas, under supervision of Prof. Aaron Jakes (May 2019);
- “*Michel Aflaq, Socialism, and Bergsonian Philosophy*”, by Spenser Rapone, under supervision of Prof. Aaron Jakes (May 2020).

MA THESES AT UNIVERSITY of FRIBOURG (Contemporary History):

- “*Pour une histoire de l’antisionisme de gauche en Israël: la cas de Matzpen (1962-1983)*”, Aug. 2015.
- “*Dalla resistenza antinucleare svizzera alla protesta internazionale. L’Affare Camenisch (1979-2013)*”, June 2016.
- “*Les réseaux de solidarité palestino-suisse: 1967-1994*”, May 2016.
- “*Lo Risveglio: Studio di una rivista anarchica in esilio: 1918-1936*”, June 2017.

MA THESES AT NEW YORK UNIVERSITY (Kevorkian Center for Near East Studies):

- “*Anchoring a Sinking Ship: American Aid to Egypt from Nasser to Mubarak*”, May 2015.
- “*Political Cells of the Egyptian Prisons*”, May 2015.
- “*UGTT and Labor Autonomy under Ben Ali’s Authoritarianism*”, May 2014.
- “*Planting the State: The FAO Forestry division in mid-20th century Morocco*”, May 2014.
- “*Mothers of the Revolution: Tawakkol Karman and Women in the Yemeni Revolution*”, May 2014.
- “*Contesting Humanitarian Norms in Calais; The Struggle for a Borderless Humanitarian Present*”, May 2014 (co-supervision).
- “*Consuming the Homeland: archeological sites, luxury commodities, and diaspora tourism in Israel*”, May 2014 (co-supervision).
- “*‘All Cops Are Bastards’: The Role of Soccer Ultras in the Egyptian Uprisings of 2011*”, May 2013.
- “*‘They Destroy, I Rebuild’: Spatial Resistance in the South Hebron Hills*”, May 2013.

“Roots of Instability and Challenges For Political Development In Post-Gaddafi Libya”, May 2013.

“Census, Map and Museum. Revisiting Nationality in Jordan”, May 2013 (co-supervision).

“Economic Roots of the Arab Spring. A comparative perspective”, May 2012 (co-supervision).

MA THESES WHILE VISITING PROFESSOR AT NSSR:

“Memories from the Golden Age. Post-socialist Romanian Movies Alongside Museums?”, Politics, May 2012.

“Elite power, foreign aid and patronage in Yemen”, Politics, May 2011.

BA THESES AT LANG:

“Obsessed about Inclusion: How Fandoms are Making Life Better for Queers Worldwide”, (result of an Independent Study), Lang College, Spring 2018.

“Defining Good Citizens. Iranian Textbooks and Modern History”, Lang College, Spring 2011.

“Setting the Parameters of a Palestinian State. A Comparative Analysis of International Peace Plans”, Lang College, Fall 2011.

A SELECTION OF SOME FORTY BA THESES (in Bologna, in Italian, AY 2008-2010):

“The Mediterranean Model. History and Perspectives of an Alternative Integration with Europe”

“The Role of Women in the First and Second Palestinian *Intifada*”

“Islamic Feminism between Universalism and Relativism”

“Israeli Identity: Zionism and the Ethnic *Ashkenazim-Mizrahim* Cleavage”

“The Nasserian Revolution. A Study of the Relationship between Politics and Religion at the Time of the *Ra'is*”

“The War for Water in Israel and Palestine. Models of Development, De-Development and Under-Development”

“From the Barcelona Declaration to President Sarkozy’s Plan for a New Union for the Mediterranean”

“Between Intervention and Political Disengagement: The Role of the Military in Turkish Politics (1960-2008)”

ACADEMIC SERVICES:

Director of Graduate Studies, NSSR, 2021-2022

Interim Chair, NSSR, Spring 2020

Founding member of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP)– TNS chapter, August 2020. Member of the Leadership Committee (corresponding secretary) 2020-2021. Membership standing committee, 2021-2022.

Organizer of the Lecture Series, Sociology Department, 2019-2020 (10 speakers).

Admission Committee, Scuola Normale Superiore, Firenze, Spring 2019.

Curriculum and e-Teaching Committee, Scuola Normale Superiore, Firenze, Spring 2019.

Director of Undergraduate Studies, NSSR, Sociology at Lang, 2016-2018.

Admission Committee, NSSR Sociology, Chair Spring 2020, 2021 and 2022, Co-Chair Spring 2018 & Member: Spring 2016 and 2017.

Member of the Fulbright Scholarship Committee, NSSR, Fall 2015.

Dean's representatives for five PhD theses (two in Psychology, one in Anthropology, two in Philosophy), NSSR, 2015-2022.

Member of Task Force "MA Reform", *Département d'Histoire*, Université de Fribourg (2014).

Member of the Admission Committee (NYU, Kevorkian Center), 2012 and 2013.

Coordinator of the Mediterranean Seminars of the Mediterranean Programme, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, (EUI), Florence, 2008-2009.

LEADERSHIP AND OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Since April 2018 **Book review editor**, *Constellations. An International Journal of Critical and Democratic Theory*. Member of the Editorial Council.

Since Summer 2019 Reviewer of MA applicants (Middle East, and Europe) for the **Schwarzman Scholarship**.

Since 2017 **Expert reviewer** for the Max-Weber Kollegium, Erfurt. Evaluation of advanced scholars applying for the Max Weber Center for Advanced Cultural and Social Studies.

Since 2014 **Advisory Board**, *Middle East Law and Governance* (Brill).

Since 2013 **Editorial associate**, *Constellations. An International Journal of Critical and Democratic Theory*.

Since 2006 Peer-reviewing (**external reviewer**) for *American Journal of Sociology*, *Journal of Common Market Studies*, *Middle East Law and Governance*, *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, *European Journal of Social Theory*, *Democratization*, *Political Studies*, *Conflict, Security & Development*, *Political Studies Review*, *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, *Mediterranean Politics*, *Partecipazione e Conflitto* (the Open Journal of Sociopolitical Studies) and *The International Spectator*, among others.

Since 2009 **External Reviewer** for book manuscripts submitted to Stanford University Press, Indiana University Press, New York University Press, and Routledge.

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