

TO MAGNIFICO RETTORE OF UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO

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I the undersigned asks to participate in the public selection, for qualifications and examinations, for the awarding of a type B fellowship at **Dipartimento di Studi Storici**

Scientist- in - charge: Prof.ssa Silvia Salvatici

ANNALISA URBANO - CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL INFORMATION

| Surname | Annalisa |
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| Name | Urbano |

PRESENT OCCUPATION

| Appointment | Structure |
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| Assegnista di Ricerca | University of Padua |

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

| Degree | Course of studies | University | year of achievement of the degree |
|-------------------------|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| PhD | History | University of Edinburgh | November, 2012 |
| Master by Research | African Studies | University of Edinburgh | November, 2007 |
| First Degree | Laurea in Storia Contemporanea, (4-year degree) | University of Bologna | July 2005, summa cum laude |
| Postgraduate Diploma | Coimbra Summer School, 'Poverty and Exclusion' | University of Padua | September, 2007 |

REGISTRATION IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

| Date of registration | Association | City |
|----------------------|---|---------------|
| 2019 | Società Italiana per lo Studio della Storia Contemporanea | N/A |
| 2019 | Società Italiana Storia Internazionale | N/A |
| 2018 | The Edinburgh Centre for Global History | Edinburgh, UK |
| 2007 | Anglo-Somali Society | London, UK |



FOREIGN LANGUAGES

| Languages | level of knowledge | |
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| Italian | Mother tongue | |
| English | Fluent | |
| French | ch Good working skills (reading and comprehension) | |
| German | Reading with dictionary | |

AWARDS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, SCHOLARSHIPS

| Year | Description of award |
|------|--|
| 2019 | Author's Monograph shortlisted for the 'Fiuggi Storia 2019' Prize |
| 2017 | 'Explorative Workshop' Grant, Forum Transregionale Studien and Max Weber Stiftung, Principal Investigator, €10K, |
| 2016 | 'Future Africa and Beyond: Visions in Time', Grant Renewal, Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (as a member of the Bayreuth Academy of Advanced African Studies) |
| 2013 | Grant to participate to the '8 th International Seminar on Decolonization', The National History Center, Washington (DC) |
| 2010 | Project Fund', Edinburgh Global Development Fund, Co-Investigator, £ 5K |
| 2008 | Perfezionamento all'Estero post-Lauream' Scholarship, Università di Bologna |
| 2007 | Summer School Grant, Coimbra Group |
| 2006 | Doctoral Research Award, Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) |
| 2006 | The College Research Student Awards, The University of Edinburgh, (declined) |
| 2006 | 'Bollenti Spiriti' Scholarship, Apulian Region, |
| 2005 | Leonardo Da Vinci Grant, European Commission |
| 2003 | Erasmus Grant, European Union |

TRAINING OR RESEARCH ACTIVITY

Extensive and multiple period of research at national and private archives and library depositaries in:

- Italy: Archivio Centrale dello Stato; Archivio del Ministero degli Affari Esteri; Ufficio Storico dello Stato Maggiore dell'Esercito; Archivio Storico del Comune di Casale Monferrato; Archivio dell'Associazione Nazionale per gli Interessi del Mezzogiorno; Archivio della Fondazione Antonio Gramsci; Archivio Storico dell'Università di Padova.

- The United Kingdom: The National Archive, Richmond; the Library of London; the Bodleian Library, University of Oxford; Special collections, Museum of London.

- The United States: the United Nations Archives in New York; the National Archives at College Park, Maryland; Special Collections - Library of Congress, Washington (DC); The New York Public Library, Archives & Manuscript.

- Sierra Leone: the National Archives, Free Town.

- Switzerland: the International Committee of the Red Cross Archives, Geneva.

Fieldwork carried out in Somaliland, Djibouti, and Sierra Leone.

Oral interviews collected in various places within Europe and East Africa.



CAREER BREAK

Sep 2019/Aug 2020 - Maternity leave

PROJECT ACTIVITY

| Year | Project | |
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| 2020 | Researcher (Assegnista di ricerca), Department of Political Science, Law and Internation Studies, University of Padua Project: 'Dall'Oltremare al sud globale. L'università di Padova dalla colonizzazion all'azione globale per lo sviluppo'. Funded by the University of Padua. | |
| 2018/2020 | Researcher (<i>Collaboratrice Scientifique</i>), Department of History, University of Geneva Project: 'Decolonisation as a regional experience and a global trend: understanding a global phenomenon through processes from West Africa, 1950-1977'. Funded by the SNF (Swiss National Science Foundation). | |
| 2017 | Teaching Fellow in African History, Department of History and Classics, University of Edinburgh | |
| 2013/17 | Postdoctoral Researcher, Bayreuth Academy of Advanced African Studies, University of Bayreuth Project: 'Beyond Europe: Narratives of the future in modern African History'. Funding Body: BMBF (German Federal Ministry of Education and Research) | |
| 2015 | Visiting Fellow, Department of History and Civilization, European University Institute | |
| 2013 | A. W. Mellon Fellow, National History Center, Washington (DC) as a Participant to the '8 th International Seminar on Decolonization'. | |
| 2007/12 | Doctoral researcher, Department of Social and Political Science, The University of Edinburgh Thesis project: 'Imagining the Nation, Crafting the State:The Politics of Nationalism and Decolonisation in Somalia (1940-1960)'. | |

CONGRESSES AND SEMINARS

| Date | Title | Place |
|-----------|---|--|
| June 2018 | 'Petitioning the UN in emergent Somalia', Future Africa - Beyond the Nation? Workshop in honour of Prof Achim von Oppen | University of Bayreuth |
| Dec 2017 | 'Poor fascists and good colonialists: The rehabilitation of Italy's imperial past after the Axis', The Axis Powers and Decolonisation: Debating perspective, differences, and entanglements of the end of empire in Germany, Italy and Japan | Forum Transregionale Studien, Berlin |
| Dec 2017 | Ideas of development, modernity and progress in modern Somali history, (1880-1969)' (Invited Talk) | University of Geneva |
| Dec 2017 | The 'phased return': repatriation waves and shifting images of Italian colonial returnees from East Africa', <i>Retour d'Afrique: Perspectives</i> | University of Geneva |
| Jun 2017 | 'The struggle for a federal Somali state at the eve of independence', Regionalism, federation and supranational community in the era of decolonisation | University of York |
| Mar 2017 | 'The struggle for Somalia's future: the UN debate, socio-political mobilisations and the 'Mogadishu Killings' in 1948' (Invited Talk) | University of Kent |



| Jun 2016 | 'Histories of the Future - Contributions', Future Africa and Beyond - Review and Outlook | University of Bayreuth |
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| Jan 2016 | 'Ideas of future Somalia at the time of independence', Celebrating Whose Independence? Visions of the Post-Colonial Nation in Africa | University of Bayreuth |
| Jan 2015 | ''We defend nations not tribes': The United Nations and statecraft in Somalia', 129 th Annual Meeting, American Historical Association | New York |
| Nov 2014 | 'Redefining race, overcoming defeat: the 'return' of Italian colonial settlers from East Africa, 1946-9', <i>Peoples and Borders: Movements</i> of Persons in/to/from Europe | University of Padua |
| Sept 2014 | 'Contesting the past: Issues on the use of oral memories in Somalia and Somaliland', <i>Media of Memory: Between the Oral and the Digital</i> | GISFOH, Potsdam |
| Apr 2014 | 'Visions of the future and socio-political activism in British-occupied Somalia', <i>Postwar Empires in Africa</i> | UW-Madison African Studies Program |
| Sept 2013 | 'Beyond the Allied Wartime Propaganda: British Labour Policies in Somalia during the Second World War', <i>British Empire at War</i> | Kellogg College Oxford |
| Jun 2011 | 'Italy, the United Nations and Somali Nationalism', Africa Engagements: on Whose Terms?, 4 th European Conference on African Studies | Uppsala |
| Jun 2011 | 'Pan-Somalism: Unity, Irredentism and Secession' Africa Engagements: on Whose Terms? 4 th European Conference on African Studies | Uppsala |
| Oct 2010 | 'Mogadiscio, 1 Luglio 1960: cronache di un'unificazione', Studi Italiani sull'Africa a 50 anni dall'Indipendenza' | University of Naples |
| Apr 2010 | 'The emergence of Mohamed Abdullah Hassan as Somali Nation Hero', ASEN 20 th Conference, Nation and Charisma | UCL, London |
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PUBLICATIONS

Books Mogadiscio 1948: Un eccidio di italiani tra decolonizzazione e guerra fredda, Il Mulino, 2019. With Antonio Varsori

Edited Collections

'Future Africa - Beyond the Nation?', Special Issue of *Humanities*, (forthcoming, 2021). Co-edited with Susanne Lachenicht

Articles in reviews

'Editorial: Future Africa - Beyond the Nation?', Special Issue of *Humanities*, (forthcoming, 2021). With Susanne Lachenicht

'L'ascesa del 'governo monocolore' in Somalia', Africa e Orienti, 1(2019)

'Colonial settlers, national imagining and imperial myths in post-war Italy (1943-49)', *Diasporas: circulations, migrations, histoire,* 2:34, (2019).



'A 'grandiose future for Somalia': Colonial developmentalist discourse, agricultural planning and forced labor (1900-1940)', International Labor and Working-Class History, 92, (2017).

"That is why we have troubles": the *pro-Italia* movement's challenge to nationalism in British-occupied Somalia (1946-9)", *The Journal of African History*, 57:3, (2016).

Chapters, Reviews, and Reports

Book Review: Reto Hofmann, The Fascist Effect. Japan and Italy, 1915-1952. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2015, *Itinerario*, 43:1, (2019).

Book Review: A. W. M. Smith, C. Jeppesen (eds.), Britain, France and the Decolonization of Africa: Future imperfect?, London: UCL Press, 2017, *Africa*, 89:3, (2019

'Histories of the Future. Contributions to "Future Africa and Beyond", in K. Fink, A. von Oppen, N. Siegert (eds.) *Narratives of the Future in Africa and Beyond*, (2019). With Susanne Lachenicht

'Between occupation and liberation: Italian Somalia under British rule, 1941-1945' in A. Jackson, Y. Khan, G. Singh (eds.) An Imperial World at War: Aspects of the British Empire's War Experience, 1939-1945, (Routledge, 2017).

Book Review: Cawo M. Abdi, Elusive Jannah: The Somali diaspora and a borderless Muslim identity, *African Affairs*, 115:459, (2016

'Ruth Sacks' art book and installation 'Twenty Thousand League under Seas', in K. Fink, S. Gerhard, N. Siegert (eds.), *FAVT - Future Africa Visions in Time*, Bayreuth Academy of Advanced African Studies, (2016) Workshop Report: "'The Axis Powers and Decolonisation: Debating Perspectives, Difference, and Entanglements of the End of Empire in Germany, Italy and Japan'", in: TRAFO - Blog for Transregional Research, 24.04.2018, <u>https://trafo.hypotheses.org/9796</u>. With Giulio Salvati.

OTHER INFORMATION

Teaching experience:

'Politics and Power in Postcolonial Africa', the University of Edinburgh, 2017 (independently convened and taught);

History in Theory' the University of Edinburgh, 2017 (team-taught);

'Global Connections, 1400-1990' the University of Edinburgh, 2017(team-taught);

'Humanitarian Interventions in Africa', University of Bayreuth, 2015 (independently designed and taught);

-International History and Decolonisation since World War II', University of Bayreuth, 2014 (independently designed and taught).

Administrative Experience:

Organiser and Convenor for 'Linearity and Cyclic Orders', Staff Workshop, Bayreuth Academy of Advanced African Studies, 2017

Organiser and Convenor for 'Post-Doctoral Research Workshop', Staff Workshop, Bayreuth Academy of Advanced African Studies, 2014

Organiser and Convenor for 'Changing Futures through Time', Staff Workshop, Bayreuth Academy of Advanced African Studies, 2014

Organiser and Convenor for 'History of the Future', Semester Activities, Bayreuth Academy of Advanced African Studies, 2013



Other Professional Experience:

Academic Publications:

Reviewer of Articles for African Affairs, Journal of Eastern African Studies, Journal of Agrarian Change, and Studi Storici.

Conferences and Workshops:

Workshop Organiser, 'The Axis Powers and Decolonisation: Debating Perspective, Differences, and Entanglements of the End of Empire in Germany, Italy and Japan', Forum Transregionale Studien, Berlin, 2017.

Conference Organizer, 'Celebrating Whose Independence? Visions of the Post-Colonial Nation in Africa', University of Bayreuth, 2016.

Conference Organizer, 'Catastrophe or Catalyst? African and African Diasporas' Visions arising from World War One', University of Bayreuth, 2014.

Panels Organisation:

'Writing the History of Postcolonial Societies through Regional Archives', The 4th Biennial CRG (Collaborative Research Group) African History Conference, Pilsen, June 2018.

'International Organizations and the End of Empire in twentieth-century Africa', 129th Annual Meeting, American Historical Association, New York, January 2015.

Outreach activities:

Contributor to art exhibition 'FAVT - Future Africa Visions in Time', Iwalewahaus Art Gallery, Bayreuth, 2015 - 2016

Manager of fundraising event '2010 Pictures from Fieldwork Calendar', University of Edinburgh, 2010

Facilitator for 'London Somali Youth Conference', the Somali Youth Development Resource Centre, London, 2008

Service on external bodies:

Internee, Susan Curran Publishing LDT, Norwich, 2006

Declarations given in the present curriculum must be considered released according to art. 46 and 47 of DPR n. 445/2000.

The present curriculum does not contain confidential and legal information according to art. 4, paragraph 1, points d) and e) of D.Lgs. 30.06.2003 n. 196.

Place and date: Padova, 27 Oct. 20

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