

In Service of Others: A Global Military History of Foreign Fighting from Ancient History to the 20th Century

University of Rome 'La Sapienza', 21-23 January 2025

Tuesday 21 January

Room: Rosario Romeo, Third Floor (SARAS Department)

CU003 - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, Piazzale Aldo Moro 5

13.00 - 13.15 Institutional Greetings

13.20 - 15.00 **Panel 1**

Foreign Service and Multicultural Dynamics in Ancient Mediterranean Warfare

Unprofessional professionals. The myth of the Greek hoplite and its weight on fourth century mercenary hiring practices

Dr. Davide Morassi (Universidad Complutense of Madrid)

Alexander's multiethnic army: hybridity and the policy of unity

Veronica Capriotti (University of Edinburgh)

The Bruttians: A Case Study for Examining the Complexity of Foreign Military Service around the Ancient Mediterranean

Oded Haim (Auckland University)

The Ligurians in the Roman republican army: representations by the ancient sources

Dr. Gabriele Brusa (Università di Pavia)

Discussant Alessandro Carli (Università di Siena)

15.10 - 16.50 **Panel 2**

Peripheral Forces and Asymmetric Interventions From Antiquity to the Early Modern Period

I catafratti parthici a Magnesia al Sipilo: un outsider trascurato dall'immaginario classico

Stefano Miglioli (Università della Repubblica di San Marino)

Auxiliares y guerra civil: el año de los cuatro emperadores

Carlos González Catalán (Universidad de Zaragoza)

Asymmetric interventions: the Duchy of Lorraine, between military involvement abroad and necessary import of external talents (1508–1633)

Thibaut Vetter (Université de Strasbourg)

Discussant Dr. Lorenzo Mercuri (Università di Roma 'La Sapienza')

17.00 - 17.30 Coffee Break



17.40 - 19.20 Panel 3

Protagonisti e istituzioni militari nel Sud Italia e in Europa: tra sperimentazione e diplomazia (XV-XIX sec.)

Altri soldati, altre nazionalità: specializzazione militare e componenti etniche nell'esercito di Ferdinando d'Aragona
Leo Donnarumma (Université Grenoble Alpes/Università di Napoli 'Federico II')

Condottieri "stranieri" nella Congiura dei Baroni (1485-86): un'analisi militare e diplomatica
Dr. Biagio Nuciforo (Università della Basilicata)

Dal Regno all'Italia ed Oltralpe - dall'Europa al Regno.

Giochi di scala di carriere militari e diplomatiche nelle prime guerre d'Italia tra gli Aragona e gli Asburgo
Dr. Giovanni Contel (Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Storici)

Napoli e gli Svizzeri: Sulla dorsale dell'anacronismo?
Vincenzo Gargiulo (Università di Teramo)

Discussant Dr. Alessio Russo (Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II)

Wednesday 22 January

Room: Rosario Romeo

9.00 - 10.40 Panel 4

Military Service and Strategic Interests in Early Modern Europe and the Americas

Al servizio del Re Cattolico. Ricerche sulla presenza militare bresciana nelle Fiandre tra Cinque e Seicento
Dr. Paolo Amighetti (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore)

Venuto alla Devozione. Elia Smiglianich, un morlacco al servizio della Repubblica di Venezia negli anni della guerra di Candia (1648-1654)

Edoardo Flavio Tesolin (University of Basel)

Issues and illusions of foreign fighting in the Nine Years War 1688-1697

Grégoire Barou (Sorbonne-Université)

Espacios en disputa e industria naval. El Golfo de México en la política de construcción naval española entre la Guerra de los Nueve Años y el despegue del astillero de La Habana

Jorge Prada Rodríguez (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)

Discussant Luca Domizio (Università di Genova)

10.50 - 11.20 Coffee Break

11.30 - 13.10 Panel 5

Cosmopolitan Command: Foreign Service, Diplomacy, and Military Leadership in Early Modern Europe

Assi en campaña, como en la Corte: El servicio del VIII duque de Popoli, capitán de la compañía italiana de Reales Guardias de Corps

Manuel Sobaler Gómez (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)

Soldier and informant. Activities of John Lindsay, 20th Earl of Crawford during the war between Austria and Russia against Turkey (1735-1739)

Magdalena Makówka (Independent researcher)

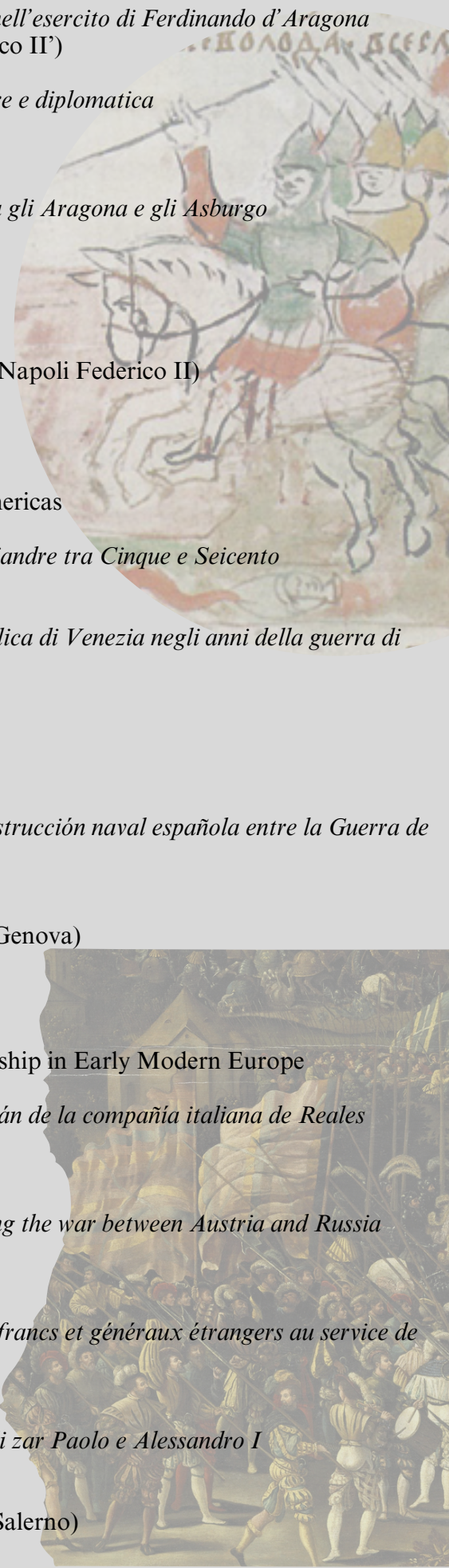
Une armée cosmopolite au service de la Révolution? Légions étrangères, corps francs et généraux étrangers au service de la République de l'An I

Valentin Barrier (Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne)

Croci, salotti e spade. Emigrati militari sabaudi e diplomatici nella Russia degli zar Paolo e Alessandro I

Andrea Bertolino (Università di Torino)

Discussant Francesco Biasi (Università di Salerno)



14.00 - 15.40 **Panel 6**

Transnational Volunteers and Mercenaries in 19th-Century Conflicts

El “sermón heroico” de Rabi Cohen de Azevedo y el “Corps des Israélites”. Dinámicas de reclutamiento de un regimiento judío en el Reino de Holanda (1809)

Jonathan Jacobo Bar Shuali (Academic Jewish Studies-Universidad Complutense de Madrid)

Volunteer combatants' experiences and methods of joining and leaving the Franco-Prussian War and Paris Commune

Alexander Summers (University of Strathclyde)

Lifeworlds of Crimean War Mercenaries in the 1850s and 1860s: A transnational collective biography

Valeria Vollmer (University of Zurich)

*People here feel quasi-related with the Hellenes because of the royal house:
Danish war volunteering during the Greco-Turkish War of 1897*

Miriam Magdalena Schneider (University of Zurich)

Discussant Alessia Orlandi (Scuola Superiore Meridionale - Italy)

15.50 - 16.20 Coffee break

16.30 - 18.10 **Panel 7**

Shaping Identities and Alliances: Multinational Forces in 20th-Century Conflicts

Allies in Name Only: Greek Troops under French Command in the Allied Intervention in the Russian Civil War (1919)

Ioannis Brigkos (University of Vienna)

Fighting for Whom? Negotiating War Motives in French-Canadian and Irish Propaganda 1914-1918

Aimée Dion (Université Laval)

'They are Belgians, but only just': Emigrants, expatriates and the Belgian army-in-exile during the Second World War

Guy Bud (School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London)

A Difficult Coexistence: Italians and Germans During the Sicilian Campaign

Francesco Pellegrini (Università di Urbino)

Discussant Salvador Lima (European University Institute)

Thursday 23 January

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9.00 - 10.40 **Round table**

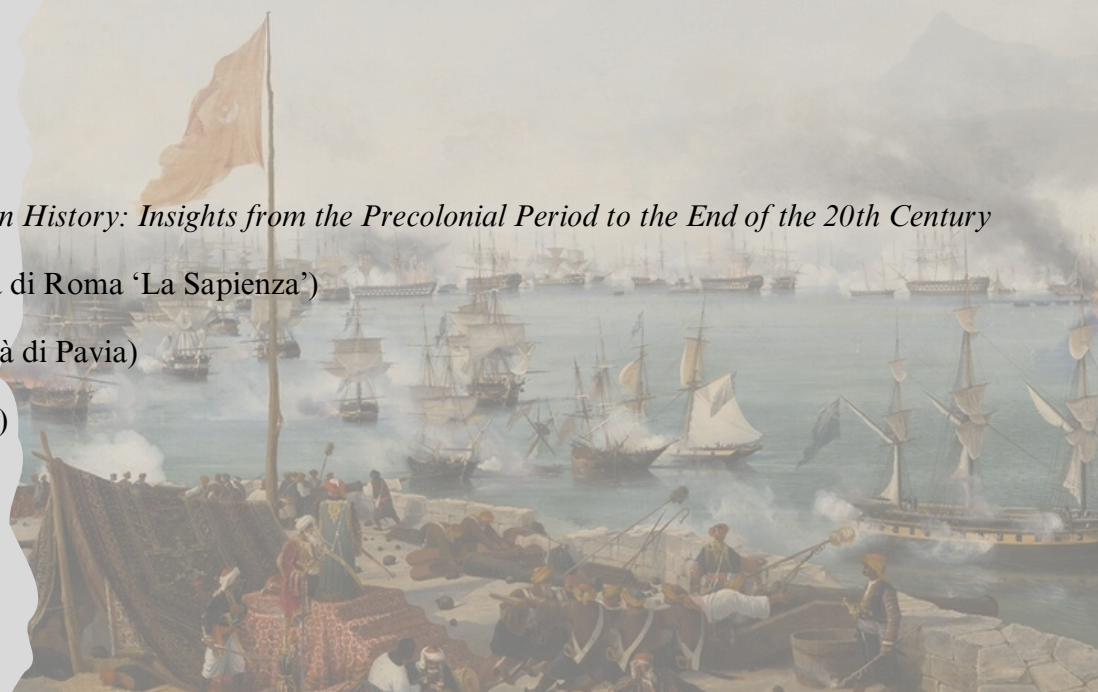
Military Historiography and African History: Insights from the Precolonial Period to the End of the 20th Century

Prof. Giacomo Macola (Università di Roma 'La Sapienza')

Prof. Massimo Zaccaria (Università di Pavia)

Dr. John Kegel (Leiden University)

10.50 - 11.20 Coffee break



11.30 - 13.10 **Panel 8**

Transnational Volunteerism and Military Identities in the 20th Century: Garibaldinism and Foreign Legions

Volontari in armi: circuiti e traiettorie del garibaldinismo nella Prima guerra mondiale (1914-1915)
Roberto Carocci (Università di Roma 'Tor Vergata')

I volontari spagnoli nella Legione straniera francese durante la Prima guerra mondiale
Dr. Alejandro Acosta López (Universidad 'Carlos III' Madrid)

Volontari ispano-americani e portoghesi nella Legione straniera spagnola. Influenza delle idee dell'Hispanidad sul militarismo africanista
Salvador Lima (European University Institute)

Migration, Imagination, and Colonial Violence. A Global Microhistory of Spain's Foreign Legionnaires, 1920-1936
Jannis Girgsdies (Humboldt University of Berlin)

Discussant Dr. Mariella Terzoli (Università di Roma 'La Sapienza')

13.15 - 13.30 Closing of the Conference

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