

ASMI Conference 2019

**PROMISED LAND OF POPULISM?
'POPULIST' CULTURE AND POLITICS IN ITALY, 1800-2019**

29-30 November 2019

Italian Cultural Institute
39 Belgrave Square
London SW1X 8NX

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Friday 29 November 2019

9.30 -10.00 *Welcome and registration*

10.00-11.30 Session 1

Panel 1.1: Historical roots of contemporary populism

Carlo Corrochano Perez (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid), *The Salvinian Left. The Italian roots and expressions of a paradoxical phenomenon*

Giuliana Muscio (Università di Padova), *Bare-chested Men: Mussolini and Salvini and the show of politics*

Luiza Bialasiewicz (University of Amsterdam) & Milou van Hout (University of Amsterdam), *Sovereignists, then and now: imagined geopolitical orders from D'Annunzio to CasaPound*

Panel 1. 2: Fascism/Antifascism/Populism I

Fabio Ferrarini (Università di Milano), *Italian Populism and Fascism. Historical intersections and Core Issues*

Marco Pluviano (ILSREC Genova), *Opera Nazionale Dopolavoro and Kraft durch Freude: Andare al popolo and Volksgemeinschaft. Was populism a mean to build consent?*

Matteo Pasetti (Università di Bologna), *The ambiguous links between fascism and populism*

11.30-11.45 *Coffee break*

11.45-13.15 Session 2

Panel 2.1: Fascism/Antifascism/Populism II

Nicola Cacciatore (Independent researcher), *"We are the real Italians" anti-fascism and the national discourse*

Andrea Masseroni (Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa), *«Andare verso il popolo». The non-populist fascism according to Nino Tripodi (1938)*

Clementina Gentile Fusillo (Warwick University), *Aldo Moro and the project of a constitutional counter-populism*

Panel 2.2: Contemporary populism

George Newth (University of Bath), *'Le Pen è fascista come i partiti di Roma'. Populist and nativist anti-fascism and post-fascism (?) in the Lega's political discourse*

Luigi Rullo (Università di Napoli Federico II) & Federica Nunziata (Università di Napoli Federico II), *Populism Under Contract? The Digital Communication of the Five Star Movement-Lega Coalition Agreement*

Antonia Murolo (Università di Napoli Federico II), Ciro Clemente De Falco (Università di Napoli Federico II) & Federica Nunziata (Università di Napoli Federico II), *Populism Italian Style: the political narratives of Matteo Salvini and Luigi di Maio*

13.15-14.30 *Lunch*

14.30-16.00 Keynote Lecture

Nadia Urbinati (Columbia University)
Enmity to party democracy: an Italian story

16.15: 18.15 Session 3 (plenary session)

Panel 3: Historiography/Intellectual discourse

Mirco Carrattieri (INSMLI), *"People's Historian". The historiographical side of Italian populism*

Rosario Forlenza (New York University) & Bjørn Thomassen (University of Roskilde), *The "opulent society" as the breeding ground for populism: understanding the present through the analysis of Augusto Del Noce*

Fiona M. Stewart (Pepperdine University), *Nuto Revelli: A Model for Bridge Building in a Fractured Society?*

Mattia Diletti (Università di Roma La Sapienza), *"Populists in Power" and Intellectual Elites. Who Fell in Love with Italian Populists?*

18.15-19.30 AGM ASMI

20.30 *Dinner*

Sicily Restaurant

2a Elizabeth Street
Belgravia
London SW1W 9RB

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Saturday 30 November 2019

9.30 -10.00 *Welcome and registration*

10.00-11.30 Session 4

Panel 4.1: Fascism/Antifascism/Populism III

David Brown (The Sixth Form College Farnborough), *'We will not bend because we cannot beg for a sympathy which we can do without'. The populist rhetoric and appeal of Italian fascism in Italo-Australian communities 1920-1940*

Giulia Zorini (University of Cambridge), *Populism and elitism during the RSI (1943-45): the essays on racism written by the GNR officer cadets at the Fontanellato school*

Laurea Cerasi (Università di Venezia), *They, the people. The ambivalence of corporatist populism and its legacy*

Panel 4.2: Shades of Italian populisms (Visual/Criminal)

Manuel Anselmi (Università di Roma La Sapienza) & Stefania Anastasia (Università di Perugia), *Punishment and consensus: criminal populism as an instrument of Italian political neo-populism*

Noemi Biasetton (IUAV), *The Design of Populism. Consent, Empathy and Participation in times of Visual Populism*

Luca Paci (Swansea University), *Action 30 and the critique of Italian populism*

Panel 4.3: Nationalism/Populism

Donatello Aramini (Università di Roma III), *The Italian Nationalist Association: a populist or an elitist movement?*

Saverio Battente (Università di Siena), *Nazionalismo e populismo nella storia d'Italia: esperienze a confronto*

Enrico Serventi Longhi (Università di Roma La Sapienza), *Between 'national aristocrats' and 'noble people'. Gabriele D'Annunzio and imperialist populism from WWI to Fiume's occupation (1914-1920)*

11.45-13.15

Keynote Lecture

Federico Finchelstein (New School for Social Science)
Fascism, Populism and Italy: a global history

13.15-14.30 *Lunch*

14.30-16.00 Session 5

Panel 5.1: Discourse & Communication

Dario Quattromani (Link University), *Populist Leaders & Movements in Italy: a Long Story*

Donatella Campus (Università di Bologna) & Marco Mazzoni (Università di Perugia), *Italy: a fertile field for populist celebrities*

Marianna Griffini (King's College London), *'Prima gli Italiani': The People and the Nation in the Lega's Discourse*

Panel 5.2: Aesthetic dimension of populism

Giulio Azzolini (Università di Venezia), *Umberto Eco and the problem of populism*

Erica Capecchi (University of Bristol), *Understanding Right-Wing Populism Through Aesthetics: A Reflection on The Appeal of Matteo Salvini and Neo-Fascist Narratives in Today's Italy*

Gianluca Fantoni (Nottingham Trent University) & Marco Paoli (University of Liverpool), *Representations of "Italian populism" in films*

Panel 5.3: Meridionalismo/Borders/Populism

Maria Stella Chiaruttini (University of Göttingen), *Neo-Bourbonism and Financial History Revisionism: A Methodological Question*

Nicola ToniETTO (Università di Trieste), *Populismo e "Vento del Sud": tra qualunquismo e neofascismo nell'immediato secondo dopoguerra*

Patrick Utz (University of Edinburgh), *Populist challenge, value change, or ethnic outbidding? Assessing the drivers for electoral change in South Tyrol*

16.00-16.30

Final remarks

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