

## The Italian Left and Foreign Policy

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### Conference Programme

9.00-9.30	ARB foyer	<b>Registration</b>
9.15-9.30	Room SG1	<b>Greetings and introduction</b>
9.30-11.00	Room SG2	<p><b>SESSION I – PANEL I</b>  <b>The Italian Left in the Cold War: Beyond anti-Americanism</b>  <i>Chair:</i> Robert Gordon (Italian Studies, Cambridge)  <i>Discussant:</i> Mark Gilbert (Johns Hopkins, SAIS Bologna)  <i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Andrea Guiso (University of Rome 'La Sapienza'), 'Anti-Americanism in the PCI's political culture'</li> <li>- Valentine Lomellini (IMT Lucca), 'An Americanist Anti-Americanist? The weird case of the Italian Communist Party in the 1970s'</li> <li>- Martin Mejstrik (Charles University, Prague), 'Are we anti-Americans, or not? Italian Communist Party and its intern struggle about foreign policy'</li> <li>- Marzia Maccaferri (Institute of Historical Research, London), 'Left-Wing Intellectual Discourse and Foreign Policy (1950s-1960s)'</li> </ul>
	Room SG1	<p><b>SESSION I – PANEL II</b>  <b>The Italian Left and the European Left: Between Dialogue and 'A National Way'</b>  <i>Chair:</i> Geoffrey Edwards (POLIS, Cambridge)  <i>Discussant:</i> Christopher Bickerton (POLIS, Cambridge)  <i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Maria Elena Cavallaro (IMT, Lucca), 'The Spanish Left foreign policy during the Cold War: Spanish Socialist Party (PSOE) from antiamericanism to americanism (1953-1986)'</li> <li>- Michele Di Donato (IDEAS, London School of Economics), 'The Italian Communist Party, NATO and Détente: The Influence of the Dialogue with Social Democratic Parties'</li> <li>- Giovanni Bernardini (Istituto Storico Italo-Germanico, FBK, Trento) 'Fifty years after: A comparative reassessment of the first Italian centre-left coalition'</li> </ul>
11.00-11.30	ARB Foyer	Coffee Break
11.30-12.30	Room SG1	<p><b>Keynote Address – What's Left of the Italian Left?</b>  Gianfranco Pasquino (SAIS &amp; University of Bologna)</p>
12.30-13.30	ARB Foyer	Lunch

13.30-15.00	Room SG2	<p><b>SESSION II – PANEL III</b>  <b>The Italian Left and the Evolving Geopolitics of the Cold War</b>  <i>Chair:</i> Brendan Simms (POLIS, Cambridge)  <i>Discussant:</i> tbc  <i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Seamus Taggart (Graduate Institute, Geneva), ‘The Italian Left and the People’s Republic of China During the Cold War: Counterbalance and Continuity in the Context of Bilateral State Relations’</li> <li>- Federico Niglia (LUISS, Rome), ‘From ideological criticism to partnership: the Italian Communists and the German world from the Cold War to 1990s’</li> <li>- Laura Fasanaro (Roma Tre), ‘Eastern European perspectives on the PCI, 1976-1984’.</li> </ul>
	Room SG1	<p><b>SESSION II – PANEL IV</b>  <b>Civil Society, Local Politics and Foreign Policy: Bipartisanship or Dead End?</b>  <i>Chair:</i> Sara Silvestri (POLIS, Cambridge)  <i>Discussant:</i> Carl Levy (Goldsmith)  <i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Maurizio Carbone (University of Glasgow) &amp; Lia Quartapelle (ISPI, Milan), ‘What’s Left in Foreign Aid? Partisan Politics and the Search for a Development Policy in Italy’ - Raffaele Marchetti (LUISS, Rome), ‘Italian Foreign Policy, Civil Society and Trans-ideological Support’</li> <li>- Rocco Polin (SUM, Florence &amp; EEAS, Bruxelles), ‘The foreign policy of a centre-left administration: Milan and the preparation of EXPO’</li> <li>- Elif Cetin (POLIS, Cambridge), ‘The Italian Left and the (Evolving) Foreign Policy of Immigration Controls’</li> <li>- Fabio Petito (University of Sussex), tbc</li> </ul>
15.00-15.30	ARB Foyer	Coffee Break
15.30-17.00	Room SG2	<p><b>SESSION III – PANEL V: The Italian Left between Europe and the Mediterranean</b>  <i>Chair:</i> Stefano Recchia (POLIS, Cambridge)  <i>Discussant:</i> Erik Jones (Johns Hopkins, SAIS Bologna)  <i>Speakers</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Giordana Pulcini (Roma Tre), ‘Peace, Security and Cooperation: The "Forum per la Sicurezza e la Cooperazione in Europa e nel Mediterraneo", the Italian Left, and the challenges of the Seventies’</li> <li>- Angelo Capuano (Universty of Catania), ‘Political instability in southern Europe during Détente: the case of Eurocommunism’</li> <li>- Mauro Campus (University of Florence), ‘The Italian left and the European Monetary System (EMS)’</li> </ul>
	Room SG1	<p><b>SESSION III – PANEL VI: The post-Cold War: A Post-ideological Left for a Post-Foreign Policy?</b>  <i>Chair:</i> David Hine (Oxford)  <i>Discussant:</i> Carlo Invernizzi Accetti (Sciences Po)  <i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jason Davidson (Mary Washington) &amp; Fabrizio Coticchia (Sant’Anna, Pisa), ‘The Irrelevance of Radical Parties in Coalition Foreign Policy: Italy and the Polarization Hypothesis’</li> <li>- Luca Ratti (Roma Tre), ‘A foregone conclusion: Italy’s Left and the Atlantic Alliance since the end of the Cold War’</li> <li>- Jean Pierre Darnis (University of Nice), ‘Italy’s passive attitude during the 2014 Ukraine crisis: a left-wing foreign policy?’</li> <li>- Elisabetta Brighi (POLIS, Cambridge) &amp; Lilia Giugni (POLIS, Cambridge), ‘Renzi’s First 100 Days: An Interim Assessment’</li> </ul>

17.00-18.30	Room SG1	<b>Final Roundtable</b> <b>The future of Italy's Left and of its Foreign Policy</b> Richard Bosworth (University of Western Australia & Oxford) Christopher Hill (POLIS, Cambridge) Leopoldo Nuti (Roma Tre) Federico Romero (EUI, Florence)
18.30-19.30	ARB Foyer	Conference Drinks
19.30-21.30	Pembroke College (tbc)	Conference Dinner

### Conference Organisers

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**Attendance is free and open to all but registration is required**

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