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INSTITUTIONAL ROLES

Associate Professor, Scientific Director, Geographic Research and Application Laboratory

MAIN RESEARCH INTERESTS

Geographic Information Science and Technology, Historical Geography, History of Exploration, Exogeography

ACADEMIC CAREER

Gianluca Casagrande is Associate Professor at the European University of Rome (UER), Human Sciences Department since 2015, scheduled to become Full Professor on January 1st, 2023. He is the founder and current scientific director of Geographic Research and Application Laboratory (GREAL) at UER. He teaches courses in “Geografia del Turismo Sostenibile” (Geography for Sustainable Tourism) and “Esplorazione dello Spazio ed Esogeografia” (“Space Exploration and Exogeography”) at UER. From 2020 to 2022 he was also lecturer at the University of Ferrara, teaching courses in “Geografia” (Geography) and “Geografia Storica” (Historical Geography). A fieldwork-oriented researcher, he participated in two Arctic research and communication expeditions to Svalbard (Polarquest2018 and Polarquest2021), cooperating as supporting scientist to the development of expedition NANUQ2020 to Greenland. Between 2011 and 2022 he conducted geography-related work with small UAVs and complementary geotechnologies in Italy and other countries. Since 2020 he served as deputy Head of the “Corso di Studi in Turismo e Valorizzazione del Territorio” (School of Tourism) at UER and he is the deputy Editor in Chief of UER’s Scientific Book Series “Geographica”. At UER he is also vice-president of the University’s “Nucleo di Valutazione” (Italian state’s university assessment workgroup) and department’s delegate for “Terza Missione” (Public Engagement and research dissemination).

As of 2022, he authored over 60 scientific publications.