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ISTITUTIONAL ROLES

Full Professor of Human Geography Member of the PhD Council of History, Cultural Heritage and International Relations, University o d Cagliari.

Member of the Board of the Department of History, Cultural Heritage and Territory.

Member of LAGAM, Laboratoire de Géographie et d'Aménagement de Montpellier, University Paul Valéry Montpellier 3 Member co-associated of EMAM, Équipe Monde Arabe et Méditerranée, UMR CITERES, University of Tours/ CNRS He teaches Geography of the Mediterranean Area, Geography of Cultural Heritage, Geography of Globalization and Multimedia Geography.

MAIN RESEARCH INTERESTS

He works on Urban and Territorial issues using a comparative approach (Mediterranean Region, Europe, Arab World, Africa). His researches deal with problems concerning Geographical Theories, focusing on City, Sacred and Public Spaces, Cultural Heritage, Migrations and Globalization processes. He is interested in the practice of multimedia methods applied to geography.

ACADEMIC CAREER

He is Full Professor of Geography at the Department of History, Cultural Heritage and Territory of the University of Cagliari (from 2013). Before coming back in Italy in 2009, as a result of the MIUR selection "Rientro dei Cervelli" (Returning Gain), he worked at the University of Montpellier 3. He spent part of his career abroad: researcher in Urban Studies for the IRMC in Rabat (Service Culturel et de Coopération Scientifique, Ambassade de France) (1994-97); Lecturer at the University of Basilicata, Post-doc and Research Fellow at the UNIOR of Naples (1998-2002). From 2002 to 2009 he taught as "Associated professor" and then as "Professeur des Universités" at the Dept. of Geography of the University of Montpellier 3. He has been Visiting Professor at the Universities of Paris X, Aix-Marseille, Rabat, Galata-Saray Istanbul, Dakar. In 2003 he become member of the Research Unit GESTER, and after of UMR-GRED Gouvernance, Risques, Environnement, Développement (IRD-UM3 Montpellier).

Education and Awards. He graduated at the University "Orientale" of Naples (1989); in 1990 he achieved the Degree of the Arabic Language Institute forForeign Students of Damasco (Siria). Phd in Near East and Maghreb Studies (1996) at the UNIOR of Naples, he achieved the "Doctorat de Géographie" at the University of Tours (2001). In 2006 he disserted at the Univ. of Montpellier 3 the "Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches (Degree to became Full Professor) in geography and territorial planning. In 2001 he has been awarded the prize "Young Researcher" from the Italian Geographical Society.

Research Programs. PI project NARRA-MI Re-thinking Minorities. National and Local Narratives from Divides to Reconstructions (Co-financed of Fondazione Sardegna) (2019-22); PI project COSMOMED Tracce di cosmopolitismo: migrazioni, memorie e attualità fra Mediterraneo ed Europa, Università di Cagliari, Co-financend Fondazione Sardegna Regione Autonoma della Sardegna (2016-2018); CoHead of the International Project "Marges et Villes: entre Inclusion et Intégration. Cas Méditerranées" (2012-2015), financed by the French ANR (University of Tours). He investigated on different research fields (Cagliari, Fez, Marseilles) about the project "Spatial Justice and territorial systems of the Mediterranean. Urban policies, social practices, mobility" (L.7 RAS 2012-15 - coord. M. Memoli, Univ. of Cagliari). He contributed to the realization of the web-doc (2013) "At the Center of Tunis. Public Space Geographies after a Revolution", financed by Banco di Sardegna Foundation. Between 2009 and 2013 he worked on a personal research project "The Mediterranean in the cities" (co-financed by the MIUR "Brain Gain"). Among the other research which he took part in the past: "Faire la ville en périphérie(s): les grandes villes du Maghreb" (FSP. Min. Aff. Etrangères, MSH); MOST-Unesco Programme "City Words" (MMSH-EHESS, Paris); PRIN 1999-2001 "Territorial organization and environmental protection in Africa" (coord. A.Turco); 1995-97: "Les arts de faire of ordinary citizens in the Arab World, IRMC-Tunis, Urbama-Tours.

He contributed to several national and international research networks, being author of 180 publications. He took part in more than 90 conferences and seminars in different countries. He is referee/member of several scientific committees of journal as well of some national and international editorial publishing series; VQR ANVUR referee (GEV 11), and referee for the French ANR. He has been advisor for the Languedoc-Roussillon Region at the EU Committee of Regions (2004) and of other international organizations. From 2009 to 2015 he was member of the European Youth Forum Commission in charge of evaluating the nominations for "Youth European Capital". Languages. French, English, Spanish, Arabic (Standard)