

**Curriculum Vitae**  
Marina Calculli

**EMPLOYMENT**

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*FUTURE*

Tenured Assistant Professor in International Relations of the Middle East, *Leiden University* (the Netherlands), Faculty of Humanities.

*1 February 2025-(permanent).*

*CURRENT*

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Global Fellow, *Columbia University* (USA), Department of Middle Eastern, South Asian and African Studies & *Sciences Po Paris* (France) Centre de Recherches Internationales.

*1 February 2022-31 January 2025*

*PAST*

Non-tenured Assistant Professor in International Relations of the Middle East, *Leiden University* (the Netherlands), Faculty of Humanities.

*2 February 2020-31 January 2022.*

*1 August 2017-30 June 2019.*

*Maternity Leave: 30 May 2021-31 August 2021*

Fulbright Research Fellow, *The George Washington University*, Washington D.C. (US), Elliott School for International Affairs

*November 2015 – July 2017*

Post-doctoral Fellow, *American University of Beirut*, Beirut (Lebanon), Issam Fares Institute for Public Policies and International Affairs

*January 2015– October 2015*

Post-doctoral Fellow, *Ca' Foscari University in Venice*, Venice (Italy) School of International Relations & *University of Oxford*, Oxford (UK), Faculty of Oriental Studies and St Antony's College

*January 2014– December 2014*

**EDUCATION**

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PhD in International Relations, *Catholic University of Milan* (Milan, Italy), Department of Political Science, *October 2010– June 2014* – Passed with no corrections.

MA in Middle Eastern Studies, *Saint-Joseph University* (Beirut, Lebanon), Institute of Political Science, *September 2009– August 2012* - 18/20 (French grade system).

MA in Economics and International Politics, *ASERI School of Economics and International Relations* (Milan, Italy)

*September 2008– August 2009* - Summa cum laude.

ERASMUS Exchange Program, *Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales* (Paris, France), Centre Louis Gernet de recherches comparées sur les sociétés anciennes

*September 2007-June 2008*

MA in Classics, *University of Pisa* (Italy)

*September 2006– June 2008* - Summa cum laude.

BA in Classics, *University of Pisa* (Italy)

*September 2003– September 2006* -Summa cum laude.

Gymnasium, *Liceo Classico E. Duni*, Matera (Italy)

*September 1998-July 2003* - 100/100

**TEACHING**

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Leiden University (a.y.: 2017-18; 2018-19; 2019-20; 2020-21; 2021-22)

*Lecturer*

- *MA in International Relations*: Regionalism in World Politics (26 hours); Ideas in World Politics (26 hours); Political Violence in the Middle East (26 hours)

- *MA in Modern Middle Eastern Studies*: International Relations of the Middle East (26 hours)

- *BA in International Studies*: Theories and Methods for Social Sciences (24 hours)

- *BA in World Politics, Leiden University College*: Regional trends: The Middle East (26 hours)

- *BA in Middle Eastern Studies: Politics, Ideologies and Societies of the Middle East* (26 hours);  
History of the Middle East (1500-present) (26 hours)  
University of Lugano, Switzerland (a.y.:2017-2018)  
*Invited Lecturer*
- *MA in Economics and International Politics: Theories and transformations of the State* (28 hours)  
Bocconi University, Milan (a.y.:2016-2017)  
*Invited Lecturer*
- *BA in Global Politics: Politics in the Middle East* (46 hours)  
ASERI School of Economics and International Relations, Milan, Italy (a.y.:2015-2016; 2016-2017)  
*Invited Lecturer*
- *MA in Middle Eastern Studies: Theories and Methods* (18 hours); *International Relations of the Middle East* (18 hours)
- *MA in Economics and International Politics: Middle East Politics* (9 hours); *International Relations of the Middle East* (18 hours)  
American University of Beirut, Lebanon (a.y.:2015-2016)  
*Teaching Assistant*
- *BA in Political Studies: International Relations of the Middle East* (9 hours)  
Saint Joseph University of Beirut, Lebanon (a.y.:2013-2014; 2014-2015)  
*Invited Lecturer*
- *MA in Political Studies of the Arab World: Euro-Mediterranean Relations* (18 hours)  
Catholic University of Milan, Italy (a.y.:2012-2013)  
*Teaching Assistant*
- *BA in Political Science: International Relations* (9 hours)

## PUBLICATIONS

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### BOOKS

1. *Prudent Resistance. How Hezbollah resists against the world* (Provisional agreement with Cornell University Press).
2. (2018) *Come uno stato. Hizbullah e la mimesi strategica* (Milan, Vita&Pensiero).
3. (2017 - with Francesco Strazzari) *Terrore Sovrano: Stato e Jihad nell'era postliberale* [*Sovereign Terror: State and Jihad in the post-liberal era*] (Bologna, Il Mulino).

### EDITED BOOKS

1. (2016 - with Shady Hamadi) *Esilio Siriano: Migrazioni e responsabilità politiche* [*Syrian Exile: Migration and Political Responsibility*] (Milan, Guerini Editore).

### PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. (Under review) Mimetic hedging: Hezbollah's resistance against all odds. *Security Dialogue*.
2. (Invited contribution to Special issue – under review) The banality of normalization: from sectarian to transactional politics in the making of the 'new' Middle East. *International Spectator*.
3. (2023) Mirroring (de-)securitization: from stigmatization to rehabilitation of Syria in the Arab region, Bordón, J. Special Issue on *Spatializing securitization in the Middle East*, SEPAD: 8-18.
4. (2020) Self-determination at all costs: explaining the Iran-Syria-Hezbollah axis, *Annals of the Luigi Einaudi Foundation*, 54 (2): 95-118.
5. (2014) National prerogatives in International Peacekeeping: Italy in Lebanese perception and Rome's role within UNIFIL II. *Cahiers de la Méditerranée* 88 (3): 201-214.
6. (2013) Societal fragmentation and military systems in the Middle East: Syria's civil-military relations in the wake of the Arab uprisings of 2011. *Italian review of public policies* 35 (1): 102-130.

### BOOK REVIEWS

1. (2024) 'Review of: Bishara, Amahl. *Crossing a Line: Laws, Violence and Roadblocks to Palestinian Political Expression*. Stanford: Stanford University Press 2023. *Arab Studies Journal*.

2. (2021) 'How Civil Wars Turn into Quagmires. Review of: Jonah Schulhofer-Wohl (2020), *Quagmire in civil war*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press'. *International Spectator* 56(3): 162-164.

#### BOOK CHAPTERS

1. (2021) Self-determination: the story of the liberal appropriation of a socialist principle, in Fassi, E. (ed.), *The Liberal World Order and beyond*. Milan, Vita&Pensiero: 137-149.
2. (2020) Between the battlefield and the ballot box: armed political parties in the Middle East, in F. Cavatorta, L. Storm, V. Resta, *The Handbook of Political Parties in the Middle East*: 356-368.
3. (2020) Reconceiving the struggle between non-state armed organizations, the state and 'the international' in the Middle East, in L. Sadiki (ed.), *Routledge Handbook of Middle East Politics*, London, Routledge: 419-431.
4. (2019) Middle East Security: the politics of violence after the 2003 Iraq war, in L. Fawcett (ed.), *International Relations of the Middle East*, 5<sup>th</sup> edition, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 2019: 226-244.
5. (2018) Mirage of Retrenchment: Obama and the Syrian Conflict", in Clementi, M., Dian, M., Pisciotta, B. (eds.), *US Foreign Policy in a Challenging World - Building Order on Shifting Foundations*, New York, Springer, 2018: 279-296.
6. (2016 - with Matteo Legrenzi) Middle East security: conflict and securitization of identities, in L. Fawcett (ed.), *International Relations of the Middle East*, 4<sup>th</sup> edition, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 2016: 218-235.
7. (2016) Semantica dell'esilio [Semantics of exile], in M. Calculli and S. Hamadi (eds.): 9-28.
8. (2016) L'arma migratoria: la politica con altri mezzi di Bashar al-Asad [The migration weapon: Bashar al-Asad's 'politics by other means'], in M. Calculli and S. Hamadi (eds.): 28-45.
9. (2015) Sub-regions and security in the Middle East: 'hierarchical interdependence', in Gulf-Levant relations, in Elizabeth Iskander Monier, *Narratives of Regional Threat: (in)security, (in)stability and the Middle East*, Palgrave MacMillan, 2015: 41-58.
10. (2015) La thawra del 2011 e la crisi dell'autorità negli stati arabi [The 2011 *thawra* and the crisis of authority in the Arab States], in A. Locatelli and V.E. Parsi, *L'onda lunga della primavera arab. Implicazioni teoriche e sfide geopolitiche [The Long wave of the Arab Spring. Theoretical implications and geopolitical challenges]*, V&P, Milan: 65-92.
11. (2014) Interesse nazionale e ridefinizione delle alleanze interarabe: vecchi e nuovi attori di fronte al cambiamento del Sistema regionale [National Interest and the reshaping of inter-Arab alliances after the 2011 Uprisings. Old and New Political actors facing change in the regional system], in C. Monteleone, *Politiche di Sicurezza e Cambiamento Globale [Security policies and Global change]*, Franco Angeli, Rome: 205-225.
12. (2012) La spirale siriana: Assadismo, frammentazione sociale e persistenza del regime [The Syrian spiral: 'Assadism', societal fragmentation and regime's persistence], in M. Mercuri & S. Torelli (eds.), *La primavera araba. Origini e conseguenze delle rivolte che stanno cambiando il Medio Oriente [The Arab Spring. Origins and consequences of the uprisings that are changing the Middle East]*, Vita & Pensiero Editrice, Milano:157-187, in Italian.

#### COMMISSIONED STUDIES

1. (2017) Hezbollah's Lebanese strategy in Syria, in I. Galariotis and K. Ifantis (eds.), *The Syrian Imbroglia. International and Regional Strategies*, European University Institute, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies: 36-44.
2. (2017) The Liberation of Mosul in the Middle Eastern Balance of Power, in Andrea Plebani (ed.), *After Mosul Re-inventing Iraq*, ISPI Report, June 2017: 109-122.
3. (2017) Geopolitics and migration in Syria and Lebanon, in ISMU, *XXI Report on Migrations*, Roma, Franco Angeli: 241-253.
4. (2013 – with Matteo Legrenzi) Regionalism and regionalization in the Middle East, *International Peace Institute*, New York.
5. (2013) The socio-economic roots of the Arab Spring, *IDEM*, n.5: 3-8.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

1. (15 September 2016) Aleppo: a changing balance of forces in Syria? *Aspen Institute*, [https://www.academia.edu/29180413/Aleppo\\_a\\_changing\\_balance\\_of\\_forces\\_in\\_Syria](https://www.academia.edu/29180413/Aleppo_a_changing_balance_of_forces_in_Syria)
2. (2016) More war, less state: ISIS after the Caliphate. *La Rivista il Mulino* (1), pp. 222-230. with Francesco Strazzari, in Italian.
3. (12 November 2015) Al-Sisi's Egypt: vulnerability and paranoia in the 'fierce state'. *Presidential power*, <https://presidential-power.net/?p=2861>
4. (13 November 2014), Lebanon. The Presidential Crisis lingers on', in *Presidential power*, <http://presidential-power.com/?p=2309>
5. (9 September 2014) Lebanon and the jihadi threat. *Aspen Institute*, <https://www.aspeninstitute.it/aspensia-online/contributors/marina-calculi>
6. (15 October) Yemen – Behind Houthis' takeover of Sana'a: former President Saleh's attempt to return to power' <http://presidential-power.com/?p=2022>
7. (2 June 2014). El-Sisi before the test of 'Performance Legitimacy': the President must deliver in order to stay in power. *Presidential power*, <http://presidential-power.com/?p=1367>
8. (1 April) Egypt – El-Sisi for president: chronicle of a candidacy foretold', *Presidential power*, <http://presidential-power.com/?p=1004>
9. (13 August 2013) The issue of 'legitimacy' in the corrective military coup in Egypt'. *ISPI, Italian institute for International Political Studies*, <http://www.ispionline.it/it/pubblicazione/la-questione-della-legittimita-nel-golpe-correttivo-dei-militari>.

## TRANSLATIONS

1. From French to Italian (2016) Georges Corm, *Contro il Conflitto di Civiltà. Sul ritorno del religioso nei conflitti del Medio Oriente*, Guerini Editore – *Pour une lecture profane des conflits. Sur le retour du religieux dans les conflits du Moyen Orient*, La Découverte.

## GRANTS, AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AFFILIATIONS

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1. 2021, *European Commission*, Marie Skłodowska Curie Global Fellowship, Project: 'Negotiating religion at the United Nations' (1 February 2022-31 January 2025).
2. 2020, *Leiden University Fund*. Research traineeship Programme, Research grant, Project: 'Rebel Groups and Strategic Practices' (with Prof. Isabelle Duyvesteyn).
3. 2018, *Italian Ministry of Education*. Italian National Scientific Qualification [Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale] to the role of Associate Professor of Political Science.
4. 2016-17, *St. Antony's College, University of Oxford*. Senior Common Room Membership.
5. 2015-2016, *Fulbright Commission*. Fulbright research scholarship (1 December 2015-31 July 2017).
6. 2016, *POMEPS (The Project of Middle East Political Science)*. Travel and participation grant, POMEPS Princeton University Conference, Princeton, 4-5 May.
7. 2014-2017, *American Political Science Association*. APSA-MENA Fellowship.
8. 2014, *American Political Science Association*, Travel and participation grant, APSA-MENA Workshop, 9-19 May/ 8-18 September.
9. 2013– 2014, *American University in Cairo*, AUC Forum Fellowship.
10. 2011 –2012, *American University of Cairo*, Visiting Fellowship.
11. 2011, *St Joseph University of Beirut*, Award for the best MA thesis in Political Science.
12. 2009, *Bin Talal Foundation*. Full Scholarship, MA Programs of St Joseph University.
13. 2007-2008, *European Commission*. Erasmus Mundus Scholarship.

## CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

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2024

1. Workshop 'Religious Worldmaking' (25-26 November). Sciences Po. Organization as PI of Marie Curie Project NERELUN. Introduction and Paper presentation.
2. European International Studies Association Conference (EISA) Conference, Lille, France. *Paper Presentation: Cautious Utopians. How Islamists navigate a secular world.*
3. International Studies Association (ISA) Conference (3-7 April), San Francisco, USA. *Paper presentation: Rethinking the relation between Islam and Human Rights.*

2023

4. Workshop 'Visions of World Society Beyond the West' (15 November). Columbia University – New York, USA.  
Organization, as PI of Marie Curie Project NERELUN.  
Introduction and Conclusion.
- 2020
5. European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Conference (24-28 August), *online*.  
Paper presentation: Whose 'Wilsonian Moment'? Self-determination and the logic of Western Intervention in the Middle East.
- 2019
6. International Studies Association (ISA) Conference, Toronto, Canada (27-30 March)  
Paper presentation:  
1) 'The politics of siege: the use of useless bodies in the Syrian conflict'  
2) 'Mimetic hedging: Hezbollah and the State in Lebanon'
  7. Fondazione Luigi Einaudi, Turin (Italy) (25 September)  
*Workshop on 'Regional Multilateralism in a Disintegrating World Order'*  
Paper presentation: 'Defiant against all odds: the origin and functioning of the 'Iran-Syria-Hezbollah' axis'
- 2018
8. University of Leiden, Leiden, the Netherlands (4 June)  
*Workshop 'The politics of siege in the Syrian Conflict'*  
Introduction and paper presentation: "The 'necropolitics' of siege: the use of useless bodies in the Syrian conflict".
  9. University of Bern, Switzerland (6-8 September) - *Workshop 'Conceptualizing Sectarianization. Perspectives on the Dynamics of Ethno-Religious Difference in Studying the Middle East and North Africa'*  
Paper presentation: "The politics of violence in post-war Lebanon: rivalry and acquiescence between Hizbullah and Lebanon's security institutions".
  10. World Congress of Middle East Studies (WOCMES) Meeting, Sevilla University, Spain (19-21 July)  
Paper presentation: "The necropolitics of the siege: the use of useless bodies in the Syrian Conflict".
  11. University of Oxford, Oxford, UK (26-29 January) - *Conference 'Rethinking Rethinking Nationalism, Sectarianism and Ethno-Religious Mobilisation in the Middle East'*  
Paper presentation: "Mimetic hedging: The strategy of Hizbullah's power".
- 2017
12. European Workshops in International Studies (EWIS) Meeting Cardiff, UK (7-9 June)  
Paper presentation: "The state as a conservative ideology: theorising the consequences of the competition between state and non-state actors".
- 2016
13. Princeton University, Princeton, USA (4- 5 March) - *The Project of Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) conference: "After the Uprisings: The Arab World in Freefall, Fragmentation or Reconfiguration?"*  
Paper presentation: "Taming power: Hezbollah and the Lebanese State".
  14. International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Conference, Atlanta, USA (17-19 March)  
Paper presentation: "Complementary powers: Saudi-Egypt relations in the 1970s and in the 2000s".
- 2015
15. Italian Standing Group of International Relations Annual Meeting, Trento, Italy, (20-21 June)  
Paper presentation: "(Il)legitimate violence and the state. Explaining the liaison between Hezbollah. And the Lebanese Army".
- 2014
16. American Political Science Association (APSA) – Middle East and North Africa Workshop, Beirut, Lebanon (8-18 September 2014)  
Paper presentation: "Hierarchical interdependence in Gulf-Levant relations"
  17. World Congress of Middle East Studies (WOCMES), Ankara (Turkey) (20-23 August)  
Paper presentation: "(Il)legitimate violence and the State: explaining the relationship between the Lebanese Armed Forces (LAF) and Hezbollah".
  18. American Political Science Association (APSA) – Middle East and North Africa Workshop Amman, Jordan (9-19 May)

19. Italian Standing Group of International Relations Annual Meeting, Trento, Italy, (20-21 June)  
Paper presentation: "Seeking Neo-Patrimonial Hegemony. Saudi regional strategy after the Arab Spring. Evidence from Egypt and Lebanon".
20. Italian Society of Middle Eastern Studies (SESAMO) Annual Meeting, Venice, Venice, Italy (16-17 January)
  - i) "Whose Sovereignty? The case of 'Arsal and the Syrian-Lebanese Border"
  - ii) "From alignment-seeking to regional patronage: "Oil power" and Saudi policy toward Syria and Egypt in the 1970s and the 2000s".

2013

21. Middle East Studies Association (MESA) Annual Meeting, New Orleans, USA (7-9 October)  
Paper presentation: "Improving Lebanon's sovereignty through the Army: shifting political discourse and Civil-Military relations in Lebanon".
22. Italian Standing Group of International Relations Annual Meeting, Trento, Italy, (20-21 June)  
Paper presentation: "Republican vulnerability and monarchical stability? Paradigms and myths of political legitimacy in the post-2011 Arab world".
23. British Association of Middle East Studies (BRISMES) Annual Meeting, Dublin, Ireland, (24-26 June)  
Paper presentation: "Improving Lebanon's sovereignty through the Army: shifting political discourse and Civil-Military relations in the wake of the Syrian crisis"

2012

24. Italian Political Science Association (SISP), Annual Meeting, Rome, Italy (15-16 September)  
Paper presentation: "Beyond internal vs. external threats: rethinking the Arab State".
25. Italian Standing Group of International Relations Annual Meeting, Trento, Italy (20-21 June)  
Paper presentation: "National interest and the reshaping of inter-Arab alliances after the Arab Uprisings"

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## INVITED TALKS, KEYNOTE SPEECHES

2024

1. European Parliament, Brussels (12 December)  
Participation in Panel on 'Reframing conversation around the Syrian Crisis in Europe'
2. Bergen University (9 December)  
Talk Hezbollah: resistance against all odds

2022

3. Arab Centre Washington DC, USA (12 October) Intervention in Round Table on 'Security and Securitization in the Middle East and North Africa'

2019

4. Dutch Minister of Foreign Affairs, The Hague, The Netherlands (19 November) Intervention in Special Session on 'the return of Syrian refugees from Lebanon'
5. ASERI School of Economics and International Relations, Milan, Italy (15 November), Conference: 'International Relations at 100: The Liberal World Order and Beyond'  
Presentation: 'Whose Wilsonian moment? Self-determination in the Middle East'.
6. Dutch Ministry of Defense, The Hague, The Netherlands (5 November)  
Keynote speech: 'Origins and implications of Middle East disorder'
7. Clingendell Institute, The Hague, The Netherlands (13 May)  
*Lunch discussion on 'Syria after Civil War: Regional Militancy and Political Order'*  
Talk: 'Hezbollah and Shi'a militias in the Syrian conflict'
8. University of Padua, Padua, Italy (15 May)  
Talk: 'The politics of peacekeeping in the UNIFIL II mission in Lebanon'
9. Leiden University, Leiden, the Netherlands (29 April)  
Lecture: 'The legacy of the Mandate in the French approach to peacekeeping in Lebanon'
10. Torvergata University of Rome, Rome, Italy (12 April)  
Paper workshop: 'Mimetic hedging: Hezbollah vs the International Community'
11. Leiden University, The Hague Campus, the Netherlands *Stepping Stones Seminars*, (27 February)  
Paper workshop: 'Mimetic hedging: Hezbollah vs the International Community'
12. Model UN, Debate for Peace, Rotterdam, The Netherlands (16 February)

Keynote speech 'The 1947 Partition Plan in retrospective'

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2018

13. LUCIS (Leiden University Centre for the study of Islam and Society), Leiden University, Leiden, the Netherlands (18 October)  
Talk: 'The politics of violence in post-war Lebanon'
  14. Utrecht University, Utrecht, the Netherlands *Workshop 'Political Violence in Syria'* (14-15 September)  
Paper presentation: "The necropolitics of siege in the Syrian conflict".
  15. University of Turin, Turin, Italy (16 April)  
Lecture: "The politics of violence after the 2003 American Invasion of Iraq"
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2017

16. American University of Cairo, Cairo, Egypt (23 April)  
Lecture: "The logic of violence in the Syrian conflict"
17. Bocconi University, Milan, Italy (4 April)  
*Dondena Economics Seminars*  
Paper presentation: "The counterinsurgent insurgent: Hezbollah in the Syrian conflict"
18. Sant'Anna University, Pisa, Italy (17 November)  
Lecture: "Beyond the State: Arab militantism after 2011"
19. Tor Vergata University of Rome, Rome, Italy (5 May)  
Lecture: "Layers of war: the logic of violence in the Syrian conflict"

2016

20. University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy (17 November), *Political Science Faculty Seminars*  
Lecture: "The origins of transnational alliances in the Arab Levant"
21. ASERI graduate school of Economics and International Relations, Milan, Italy (15 November)  
*Workshop "Unifil II ten years on"*  
Paper presentation: "Constructing security under the Litani river: Hezbollah, the Army, and UNIFIL".
22. European University Institute (EUI), Fiesole, Italy (14 June) - *Workshop "The Syrian Imbroglia"*  
Paper presentation: "Ambiguity or Impotence? Perspectives of Europe in the Syrian Conflict".
23. The George Washington University, Elliott School of International Affairs, Institute for Middle Eastern Studies (25 February)  
Paper workshop: "(Il)legitimate violence and the State in Lebanon: explaining the liaison between Hizbullah and the Lebanese Army".

2015

24. University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy (20 November)  
Talk: "(Il)legitimate violence and the State: understanding the liaison between Hezbollah and the Lebanese Army".
25. University of Genoa, Genoa, Italy (18 November)  
Talk: "Stratigraphy of conflict: the international and regional dimensions of the war in Syria".
26. American University of Beirut, Issam Fares Institute for Public Policies and International Affairs, Beirut, Lebanon (27 May)  
Talk: "(Il)legitimate violence and the State in Lebanon".
27. ASERI Postgraduate school of Economics and International Affairs, Milan, Italy (27 April)  
Talk: "Regimes and militias in Syria, Iraq and Lebanon".
28. University of Montreal, UQÀM, Montreal, Canada (18-19 February) - *Chaire Raoul-Dandurand en études stratégiques et diplomatiques*  
Paper presentation: "The Iran-Saudi rivalry in Syria and Lebanon: geopolitics and international clientelism".

2014

29. Warwick University, Warwick, UK (17 March) - *Workshop 'Narratives of Regional Threat: (In)security, (In)stability and the Middle East'*  
Paper presentation: "Sub-Regions and Security in the Middle East".
30. National Defence Academy, Vienna, Austria (13 March) - *Workshop 'Regionalism in East-Europe, Africa and the Middle East'*  
Paper presentation: "Regionalism and Regionalization in the Middle East".

2012

31. Saint-Joseph University, Beirut, Lebanon (13 December)  
Roundtable: “Le patriarcat en débat: femmes et pouvoir en France et au Liban”.
32. University of Udine, Udine, Italy (14 April)  
Talk: “Inequality, Corruption and Demographic explosion: the socio-economic components of the Arab Spring”.

## **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**

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### PUBLIC TALKS

2024

1. *Falestin* (4 November)  
Participation in debate with Stephanie Weestbrook, Tito (Italy).
2. *The multiple crises of Lebanon* (10 October),  
Invited talk, Circolo Minerva, Milan (Italy).
3. *The banalisation of the Gaza genocide* (14 June),  
Participation in public debate with Benoit Challand, Comitato per la pace, Matera (Italy).
4. *Humanity facing the genocide in Gaza* (4 January),  
Participation in debate with Gjovalin Macaj. Comitato per la pace, Matera (Italy).

2021

5. *ISPI MED Dialogues*. Online, (25 March)  
Participation in Roundtable on ‘Lebanon. The never-ending crisis’  
<https://youtu.be/Fo5HqnUiERc> 2020
6. *Pandora Rivista*, online (28 October) Interview on ‘Middle East geopolitics’  
[https://youtu.be/1W3S\\_YHusso](https://youtu.be/1W3S_YHusso)
7. *Il Mulino*, online La buona battaglia. Lezioni sull’educazione civica (4 November)  
Lecture on ‘Geopolitics and Migrations’, [https://youtu.be/C84\\_5X74gfo](https://youtu.be/C84_5X74gfo)

2019

8. *SottoSopra Festival*, Milan, Italy (18 May)  
Participation in Roundtable on ‘Sovereignty and spaces of democracy’  
<https://www.eventbrite.it/e/biglietti-sovranita-e-spazi-di-democrazia-55972597546#>
9. *Moby Dick Festival*, Terranuova Bracciolini, Italy (4 April)  
‘The Syrian conflict 8 years on’  
<https://www.ateranuova.it/moby-dick-festival-2019/>
10. *Globalicious Festival*, Brussels, Belgium (9 March)  
Participation in Roundtable ‘Migration and Child detention in Europe and the Middle East’  
<http://globalicious.be/tag/marina-caculli/>
11. *SPUI25 Colloquium*, Amsterdam, The Netherlands (20 February)  
Participation in Roundtable ‘A century of Middle East geopolitics’  
<https://www.spui25.nl/spui25-en/events/events/2019/02/a-century-of-geopolitics-in-the-middle-east.html>

2018

12. *Human Rights Festival*, Milan, Italy (29 November)  
Talk on ‘the Middle East after Dae’sh’  
<https://www.instagram.com/p/BqxjRv5hPQy/>
13. *Festival of Contemporary Resistances*, Bolzano, Italy (24 April)  
Debate on ‘Migration, Art and Science’  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KmTImB0QRuE>

2017

14. *IAI, Istituto Affari Internazionali*, Rome, Italy (20 January)  
‘Syrian Exile: Migration and Political Responsibility’  
[http://www.iai.it/sites/default/files/caculli\\_170120.pdf](http://www.iai.it/sites/default/files/caculli_170120.pdf)
15. *Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs-IAI, Istituto Affari Internazionali*  
Concluding remarks, ‘Youth and the Mediterranean: Exploring New Approaches to Dialogue and Cooperation’, <http://www.iai.it/sites/default/files/iai1703.pd>

2016

16. *Agenquadri Summer School – CGIL (Italian General Confederation of Labour)*, Ferrara, Italy (8-10 July) - Lecture: ‘The transformation of the International System’



17. *Ad Alta Voce*, Trieste, Italy (19 October)  
Debate with Ezio Mauro (La Repubblica) on ‘Migrations, the Middle East and Europe’,  
<http://www.adaltavoce.it/edizione-2016-trieste/>

## MEDIA

### SELECTED ONLINE AND PRINTED NEWSPAPERS (SELECTED INTERVIEWS AND OP-ED PIECES)

2024

1. Comments in ‘Spain, Ireland, and Norway recognised a Palestinian state. What comes next?’ *The New Arab*, UK & Peoples Dispatch, US  
<https://www.newarab.com/analysis/european-countries-recognise-palestine-what-comes-next>  
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## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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### MEMBERSHIP OF RESEARCH INSTITUTES AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

1. Leiden University Centre for the Study of Islam and Societies
2. Netherlands Interuniversity School for Islamic Studies
3. International Studies Association
4. American Political Science Associations
5. British Society for Middle Eastern Studies
6. Middle East Studies Association

### ORGANIZATION OF ACADEMIC EVENTS

1. Workshop 'Religious Worldmaking' (25-26 November 2024)  
Sciences Po Paris
2. Workshop 'Visions of world society beyond the West' (15 November 2024)  
Columbia University, New York
3. Workshop 'The politics of siege in the Syrian Conflict'  
Leiden University, Leiden, The Netherlands (4 June 2018)

### PEER REVIEWING

International Studies Review  
Edinburgh University Press  
Contemporary Politics  
Religion and Politics  
Diplomacy and Statecraft  
CERI (Centre de Recherches International), Science Po Paris  
Max Planck Institut für ethnologische Forschung

## LANGUAGES

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	<u>Speaking</u>	<u>Understanding</u>	<u>Writing</u>
Italian	Mother tongue	-	-
English	Fluent	Fluent	Fluent
French	Fluent	Fluent	Fluent
Arabic*	Intermediate	Intermediate	Intermediate
Persian	Beginner	Beginner	Beginner
Albanian	Beginner	Beginner	Beginner
Dutch	Beginner	Beginner	Beginner
Latin	-	Advanced	Advanced
Ancient Greek	-	Advanced	Advanced

\* *Modern Standard and Levantine dialect*