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**Present Status:**

Associate Professor of Russian and Eurasian History, Department of Historical Studies, University of Turin

**Academic role:**

Member of the Executive Committee  
International Doctoral Program in Global History of the Empires,  
University of Turin

Member of the Research Commission  
Department of Historical Studies, University of Turin

Member of the Scientific Committee  
Laboratory of Global History, University of Turin

Member of the Scientific Committee  
Institute of Asian Studies, University of Turin

**Past Academic Roles:**

2013–2015 Member of the Executive Board  
Joint Doctoral Program in History. Geography, Anthropology,  
Universities of Padua, Venice, Verona.

2010–2015 Coordinator of the Modern History Section  
Department of Historical Studies, University of Venice

2001–2013, Faculty Member  
Doctoral Program in Social European History, University of Venice

**Main Research Fields:**

Russian intellectual and political history, Tsarist Empire and Soviet Union, Economic history and Thought, Borderland studies, Peasant studies, Colonial studies, National and regional identities, Spatial History

<b>Education:</b>	1991 Post-doctoral Fellowship, University of Turin
	1990 Ph.D. in Modern History, University of Turin
	1987, University of Helsinki, Post-graduate Fellowship
	1986 Luigi Einaudi Foundation, Turin, Post-graduate Fellowship
	1985 M.A. in Russian History, Princeton University
	1982 M.A. in Modern History, University of Turin, with Honors and Magna cum Laude
<b>Academic Positions:</b>	since 2018: Associate Professor of Russian and Eurasian History, Department of Historical Studies, University of Turin
	2015 – Assistant Professor in Russian History, University of Genoa
	2001 – Assistant Professor in Russian History, Ca' Foscari University of Venice
	1995 – Assistant Professor in Eastern European History, Ca' Foscari University of Venice
	1992 – Assistant Professor in Slavistics, Ca' Foscari University of Venice
	1990 – Adjunct Professor of History of the Slavic Peoples, University of Genoa
<b>Affiliations:</b>	Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES)
	Italian Society of Modern History (SISSCO)
<b>Languages:</b>	Italian (native), English, Russian (fluent), French (intermediate), German (working knowledge)

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## Research Projects and Networks:

2018 Global Europeanness: toward a Differentiated Approach to Global History 1450-1900 (Italian Ministry of Education Strategic Research Project)

2017 Reset. Dialogue of Civilizations. Dimensions and Challenges of Russian Liberalism (in cooperation with George Washington University, Harvard University, London School of Economics, College of William and Mary, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, University of Venice).

2015 EPSEI, Evaluating Policies for Sustainable Energy Investments, Marie Curie International Research Staff Exchange

2012 Shaping Peoples. Ideas and Practices of Exclusion and Inclusion in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century Europe (Italian Ministry of Education Strategic Project)

2004 The Russian Expansion in Asia, Italian National Research Centre

1998 The Construction of National Identities, Italian National Research Centre

1992 Marxism and Populism in Russia, L. Einaudi Foundation

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### **Visiting Scholar at Foreign Universities and Research Institutions**

2017 Higher School of Economics, Saint Petersburg

2015 Hebrew University of Jerusalem

2014 Tomsk State University (TGU)

2013 European University of Saint Petersburg

2011 Södertorn University, Stockholm

2010 Centre d'études des mondes russe, caucasien et centre-européen, Ecole des hautes études en sciences sociales, Paris

2007 Russian State University for the Humanities (RGGU), Moscow

2005 European University of Saint Petersburg

2004 Omsk State University (OmGU)

2003 Russian State University for the Humanities (RGGU), Moscow

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### **Academic Journals and Editorial Boards**

*Cahiers du monde russe*, member of the Conseil scientifique international

Memorial Series in Russian Historiography, Viella Publishers, co-editor (translation and publication of Russian historical monographs in Italy, Italian Section of the Memorial Association)

Historical Studies Series, Edizioni Ca' Foscari, co-editor

*Contemporanea. Rivista di storia dell'800 e del '900*, co-editor

*Central Eurasian Reader* (Centre d'études turques, ottomanes, balkaniques et centrasiatiques, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris), member of the Scientific Committee

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### **Convener of Academic Conferences/Workshops**

2020 (expected) Exploring, Conceiving, Ruling Spaces, University of Turin

2019 Seminars in the History of Empires, University of Turin

2017 Dimensions and Challenges of Russian Liberalism, University of Turin

2016 Seminars in International History, University of Genoa

2013 Colonialism, colonialisms, University of Venice

2013 Communism as a Transnational Phenomenon, University of Venice

2008 History and Cultures. Comparisons and Encounters, University of Venice

2001 Empires and borderlands in Comparison, University of Venice

1997 Russian social thought. Foreign Models and National Context, G. Salvemini Institute, Turin

1992 Political economy and National Realities, L. Einaudi Foundation, Turin

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### **Recent Seminars and Conferences as Invited Guest:**

“Unexpected Transfers. The North American and Prussian Examples in Siberia’s Resettlement Policy”  
I International Research Conference, Cultural Transfer: History, Language, Society, Association Global Universities, Conference of Rectors of Italian Universities, University of Tomsk, 2018

"Which Orient? Potanin, Iuzhakov, Ukhtomskii and their (very) different political understanding of Eurasian hybridity", Boundaries of History, Higher School of Economics, Saint Petersburg, 2017

“Colonial or Anti-Colonial? Tsarist and Soviet Russia in a Long-Term Perspective”, University of Turin, 2017

“The Space of Imperial Citizenship: the Case of Tsarist Siberia”, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, History Department Research Workshop, June 2015

“Franco Venturi and Russian Populism, Academy of Sciences, Turin, 2015

“Between North America and Prussia: Foreign Comparisons in Tsarist Resettlement Policy”, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, May 2014

“Rule of Law in a Boundless Space? Complexity and Contradiction in the Tsarist Resettlement Project”, European University of Saint Petersburg, 2013

“The Legal Framework of Migrations in Tsarist Russia”, Seminar on Migrations, Doctoral School of History, Geography, and Anthropology, Venice, February 2012

“Russian Views on Land and Sea”, Seabound Imagination. Histories, Mental Mapping, and Region Building, Venice, November 2011

“Ideologies of Space and Resettlement Policies”, Advanced Seminar, Center for Baltic and East European Studies, Sodertorn University, Stockholm, October 2011

‘Layers of Property and Categories of Subjects in the Tsarist Settlement Colony’, Centre d’études des mondes russe, caucasien et centre-européen, Ecole des hautes études en sciences sociales, Paris, June 2010

“The notion of ‘Kolonizatsia’ in Late Imperial Russia. Foreign Models within the Tsarist Culture”, Advanced Seminar, Centre for Baltic and East European Studies, Södertörn University, Stockholm, August 2009

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## **Selected Publications:**

### ***Books, edited volumes, monographic issues***

*Citizenships, Belonging, and Rights between Colonizations and De-colonizations, Contemporanea. Rivista di storia dell’800 e del ’900*, 2016 (monographic issue, co-editor)

Alberto Masoero, ed., *Empires and Borderlands in a Comparative Perspective (1870 - 1918)*, *Rivista storica italiana*, 2003, (monographic issue, editor).

Alberto Masoero, Antonello Venturi, ed.s, *Russian Social Thought. Foreign Models and National Context*, (Milano: Franco Angeli, 2000), 311 pp.

Manuela Albertone, Alberto Masoero, ed.s, *Political Economy and National Realities*, (Torino: Fondazione L.Einaudi, 1994), 415 pp.

Alberto Masoero, Antonello Venturi, ed.s, *The Russian Collection of the Salvemini Institute*, (Turin: Istituto G.Salvemini, 1993), 126 pp.

Alberto Masoero, Antonello Venturi, ed.s, *Russica. Studies in Modern Russia*, (Milan: Franco Angeli, 1990), 509 pp.

Alberto Masoero, *Vasilii Pavlovich Vorontsov and the Economic Culture of Russian Populism (1868 - 1918)*, (Milan: Franco Angeli, 1988), 210 pp.

### ***Selected Articles and Essays***

“The Sovereign’s Vigilant Eye. Remarks on the *Zemskii Otdel* of the Tsarist Ministry of Interiors”, *Rivista storica italiana*, accepted for publication

“The Poznan Example. German Internal Colonization and Tsarist Policies in Asia”, *Storica*, 2019

“The Unbearable Slowness of the Tsarist Empire. Cadasters and the Art of Ruling in Transbaikalia”, *Rivista storica italiana*, 2018

*Kolonizacija v pozdneimperskoj Rossii: istorija ponjatija*, in N.G. Suvorova, S.A. Mulina (ed.s), *Aziatskaja Rossija. Ljudi i struktury imperii. Sbornik naučnyh trudov*, Omsk, Poligrafičeskij centr KAN, 2016.

“Citizenship and Belonging in Times of Crisis”, *Contemporanea. Rivista di storia dell’800 e del ’900*, 2016 (with D.L. Caglioti)

“Citizenship and Land Rights in Tsarist Siberia”, *Contemporanea. Rivista di Storia dell’800 e del ‘900*, 2016

*Russia between Europe and Asia*, in *The Boundaries of Europe*, ed. Pietro Rossi, Discourses on Intellectual Europe, vol. 1, (Munich: De Gruyter, 2015)

“Re-reading Franco Venturi’s *Russian Populism*”, *Rivista storica italiana*, 2015

*The Tsarist Case*, in *The Crisis and Decline of the Ancien Regime State*, ed.s L.Barletta, G.Galasso, (San Marino, 2014)

“Imperial citizenship and spatial boundaries. At the origins of the Siberian Land Survey”, *Rivista storica italiana*, 2013

*Between Emancipation and Colonization*, in S. Bertolissi, L. Sestan, ed.s, *The Empire in Russian History*, (Naples, 2013)

“Territorial Colonisation in Late Imperial Russia. Stages in the Development of a Concept”, *Kritika. Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History*, 2013

“The State of Political History. An Overview of Five National Cases”, *Ricerche di storia politica*, 2013

“Lines of Fracture in the Tsarist Empire. An Interpretation”, *Storica*, 2011

*Projects of Privatization and Social Hierarchies in the Tsarist Periphery*, in C.Tonini, ed., *Reforms, Expropriations, and Restitutions. Property Systems in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century*, (Rome: Carocci, 2010)

“Layers of Property in the Tsar’s Settlement Colony. Projects of Land Privatization in Siberia in the Late Nineteenth Century”, *Central Asia Survey*, 2010

*Lands of the Tsar or New Russia? The Concept of Colonisation in Late Imperial Russia*, in A.Ferrari, F.Fiorani, F.Passì, B.Ruperti, ed.s, *Semantics of Empires* (Napoli: Scriptaweb, 2009)

“About the Introduction of Private Land Property in Siberia”, *Russica romana*, 2008

*Posleslovie*, in M.Buttino, *Revoliutsiia naoborot. Sredniaia Azia mezhdu padeniem tsarskoi imperii i obrazovaniem SSSR*, (Moskva: Zven’ia, 2007)

*Franco Venturi, Herzen and the Soviet Union (1952-1962)*, in A. Venturi, ed., *Franco Venturi and Russia, with unpublished documents*, (Milano: Feltrinelli, 2006)

*L’année 1861*, in E.Etkind, G.Nivat, I.Serman,V.Strada, ed.s, *Histoire de la littérature russe. Le XIX<sup>e</sup> siècle. Le temps du roman*, (Paris: Fayard, 2005)

“Anatomy of a Crisis: The Russian Revolution in the Mirror of Central Asia”, *Quaderni storici*, 2005

“Siberian Regionalism in the Tsarist Imperial Context (1855 – 1905)”, *Rivista storica italiana*, 2004, (Studies in Memory of Franco Venturi)

“Authority and Territory in Siberian Colonisation”, *Rivista storica italiana*, 2003

*The Function of the American Example in Herzen e Chernyshevskii*, in Alberto Masoero, Antonello Venturi, ed.s, *Russian Social Thought. Foreign Models and National Context*, (Milano: Franco Angeli, 2000)

“Russian Economists and the Revolution”, *Rivista storica italiana*, 2000

“Russian Socialism and the American Frontier”, *Prometeo*, 2000

“Paysages sociaux et itinéraires de formation. Les voyages d'études des économistes russes à l'étranger, années 1860 et 1870”, *Cahiers du Monde russe*, 1995

*Service Ethos and Images of Entrepreneurship in Russian Economic Literature of the Second Half of the 19th Century*, in Manuela Albertone, Alberto Masoero (ed.s), *Political Economy and National Realities*, (Torino: Fondazione L.Einaudi, 1994)

“‘Our Fatherland’. A Political History of Soviet and Imperial Russia”, *Annali di Ca' Foscari*, 1993

“State and Private Initiative in Prerevolutionary Russian Culture. An Intellectual Biography of I.I.Ianzhul”, *Rivista storica italiana*, 1, 1991

“A Capitalist Vision of Modernity. Ivan Kondrat'evich Babst on Russian Economic Development (1852 - 1861)”, in *Russica. Studies in Modern Russia*, Alberto Masoero, Antonello Venturi, ed.s, (Milan: Franco Angeli, 1990)

“Democracy, Liberalism, and the ‘Social State’. From the Notes of a Russian Student of Lorenz von Stein (V.A. Gol'tsev)”, *Rivista storica italiana*, 1990

*I.V.Luchitskii*, in *The Tree of the Revolution. Interpretations of the French Revolution*, Bruno Bongiovanni, Luciano Guerri, ed.s, (Torino: Einaudi, 1989)

*N.I.Kareev*, in *The Tree of the Revolution. Interpretations of the French Revolution*, Bruno Bongiovanni, Luciano Guerri, ed.s, (Torino: Einaudi, 1989)

*N.M.Karamzin*, in *The Tree of the Revolution. Interpretations of the French Revolution*, Bruno Bongiovanni, Luciano Guerri, ed.s, (Torino: Einaudi, 1989)

“From the People to the Crowd. N.K.Mikhailovskii between Populism and Social Psychology”, *Studi storici*, 1986

“Economic Culture and Social Reform in Russia at the End of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century”, *Rivista storica italiana*, 1985