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CURRENT POSITION

2020 - Present **Assistant Professor** (permanent)
Terrorism and Political Violence & War, Peace and Justice
Institute of Security & Global Affairs (ISGA), Leiden University

FORMER POSITIONS

2018 – 2020 **Max Weber Fellow**
Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies
European University Institute

2019 - 2020 **Interim Academic Coordinator**
MA Program in European Union Policy Studies (EUPS)
James Madison University

2017- 2020 **Adjunct Professor**
MA Program in European Union Policy Studies (EUPS)
James Madison University

2017-2018 **Post-Doctoral Research Fellow**
Horizon2020 'RESPOND', Department of Legal Studies
University of Florence

2016 **Visiting Research Fellow**
Fondation pour la Recherche Stratégique (FRS), Paris.

2015-2016 **Visiting Research Fellow**
University of Amsterdam (UvA), Department of Political Science

EDUCATION

- 2014-2017 **Ph.D in Political Science** | International Relations (*cum laude*)
Scuola Normale Superiore - Institute of Humanities and Social Sciences
- 2011-2013 **MA International and Diplomatic Sciences** (*cum laude*)
University of Bologna
- 2012-2013 **MA Program in International Security**, International Exchange Student,
Sciences-Po Paris
- 2007-2010 **BA International Studies**, University of Florence

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

D'Amato S, Dian M. & Russo, A. (forthcoming, October 2023) (Eds.), *International Relations and Area Studies: debates, methodologies and insights from different world regions*, Springer.

D'Amato S. & Sachoulidou A. (forthcoming, May 2023) (Eds.), *Security in Transnational Spaces: Legal and political perspectives across Europe*, Routledge.

D'Amato, S. (2019). *Cultures of Counterterrorism: French and Italian approaches to terrorism in the post 9/11*. Routledge.

Peer-Reviewed Articles:

D'Amato S. & Terlizzi A. (2022) Strategic European counterterrorism? An empirical analysis, *European Security*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/09662839.2022.2029847>

D'Amato S, Dian M. & Russo, A. (2022), Reaching for allies? The dialectics and overlaps between international relations and area studies in the study of politics, security and conflicts, *Italian Political Science Review* : 1-19. doi:10.1017/ipo.2022.13

D'Amato S. & Sachoulidou A. (2021), European transnationalism between successes and shortcomings: Threats, strategies and actors under the microscope, *Journal of Contemporary European Studies* : 1-8, <https://doi.org/10.1080/14782804.2021.2007362>

D'Amato S. (2021), Patchwork of counterterrorism: analyzing European types of cooperation in Sahel, *International Studies Review*, 23(4) : 1518–1540, <https://doi.org/10.1093/isr/viab024>

D'Amato, S. & Lucarelli S. (2019) Talking Migration: Narratives of Migration and Embedded Justice Claims in the European Media, *The International Spectator* 54(3): 1-17, doi: [10.1080/03932729.2019.1643181](https://doi.org/10.1080/03932729.2019.1643181)

D'Amato, S. & Lavizzari, A. (2019) The Migration Triangle: Narratives, Justice and the Politics of Migration in France, *The International Spectator*, 54(3): 1-17. doi: [10.1080/03932729.2019.1643638](https://doi.org/10.1080/03932729.2019.1643638)

Baldaro, E., D'Amato, S. & Giurati, T. (2019) The CorsAfrique: The Corsican milieu in Africa, between business and raison d'Etat. *European Review of Organized Crime*, 5:1, 36-59.

D'Amato, S. (2019) Islamisation of criminal behaviour: the path to terrorism? Terrorist threat and crime in French counterterrorism policy-formulation'. Special Issue 'Jihadism and Crime in Europe', *European Journal of Criminology*, 16(3), 332–350, doi: <https://doi.org/10.1177/1477370819828955>

Coticchia, F. & D'Amato, S. (2018) Can you hear me Major Tom? News, narratives and contemporary military operations: the case of the Italian mission in Afghanistan, *European Security*, 27:2, 224-244, doi: [10.1080/09662839.2018.1484729](https://doi.org/10.1080/09662839.2018.1484729)

D'Amato, S. (2018) From BR to ISIS. The Italian domestic and international response to terrorism, *European Politics and Society*, 19:4, 416-434, doi: [10.1080/23745118.2018.1447763](https://doi.org/10.1080/23745118.2018.1447763)

D'Amato, S. (2017) Terrorists going transnational: rethinking the role of states in the case of AQIM and Boko Haram. *Critical Studies on Terrorism*. 11:1, 151-172, doi: [10.1080/17539153.2017.1347238](https://doi.org/10.1080/17539153.2017.1347238)

D'Amato, S. and G. Del Panta (2017) Does Rentierism Have a Conditional Effect on Violence? Regime Oil Dependency and Civil War in Algeria. *The Extractive Industries and Society*, 4 (2): 361-370, doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.exis.2017.01.002>

Journal Articles under review:

D'Amato S. & Baldaro E. Transnational Counterterrorism Assemblages: the case of Prevention and Countering Violent Extremism in Mali, *Territory, Politics, Governance*, minor revisions

Book Chapters:

D'Amato, S. (forthcoming), Terrorism, in Lucarelli, S. & Sperling, J. (eds), *Handbook of Governance of the European Union*, Edward Edgar Publishing.

Wright, J.N. & D'Amato, S. (forthcoming) 'Transnational Terrorism as a Cross-border Threat', in Fytopoulos, A. Balomenos, K. Pardalos, P (eds.) *Handbook for Management of Threats - Security and defense, resilience and optimal strategies*. Springer.

D'Amato S. & Omenma T. (2022) 'Changing Threats and Challenges in International Relations: Debating (in)Securities and Ways to Manage Them' In: Gill M. (Ed.) *Handbook of Security*.: Palgrave Macmillan, Cham. 101–122.

D'Amato, S. (2022), In the Brussel's Net? The patchwork of counterterrorism in Sahel and the security cooperation governance, in Baldaro, E. & Rainer L. (eds) *Jihad in Africa Terrorismo e controterrorismo nel Sahel*, Il Mulino (in Italian)

Popular & Policy- Relevant Publications:

D'Amato S. (2022), *A widening rift between Europe and the Sahel*. Political Violence at a Glance.

D'Amato S. & Baldaro E. (2022), *Counter-Terrorism in the Sahel: Increased Instability and Political Tensions*, (International Center for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT)).

D'Amato S. & Baldaro E. (2020), *Jihadi paranoia: why we (still) need to rethink the debate on terrorism and political violence*, Open Democracy.

Working Papers & Other Publications:

D'Amato S. & Giuliani G.A. (2020), When opposites attract? : the relationship between foreign policy and the migration-terrorism nexus in the French radical right and radical left discourse, MWP Working Paper, European University Institute.

D'Amato, S. (2019). Converging and conflicting dynamics of cooperation: European counterterrorism efforts in Sahel, MWP Working Paper, European University Institute.

D'Amato, S., Terlizzi, A. & Federico, V. (2018). Comparative Database on Migration (RESPOND), <http://www.diva-portal.org/smash/record.jsf?pid=diva2%3A1274674&dswid=2927>

D'Amato, S., Pannia, P. & Federico, V. (2018). National Country Report: Italy. Working Paper, RESPOND: <http://www.crs.uu.se/respond/working-paper-series/>

D'Amato, S., Pannia, P., Terlizzi, A. & Federico, V. (2018). Comparative Report: Legal and Policy Framework of Migration Governance. Working Paper, RESPOND: <http://www.crs.uu.se/respond/working-paper-series/>

D'Amato, S. (2017). European Counterterrorism Cooperation: Where are we?, James Madison University Newsletter, Fall 2017.

D'Amato, S. (2016). Italy in Afghanistan. Approaches and Public Narratives (2001-2014) (with F. Coticchia), Special Research Report, Universität der Bundeswehr München.

D'Amato, S. (2015). The Islamization of (in)security in France. Limes, 11: 207-17 (with E. Baldaro) [in Italian].

Interviews and blog contributions:

Federico, V., D'Amato, S., Terlizzi, A. & Pannia, P. (2018). First Results: Politicization and a Complex, Fragmented Legal Milieu in RESPOND Countries: <http://responders.crs.uu.se/2018/07/13/first-results-politicization-and-a-complex-fragmented-legal-milieu-in-respond-countries/>

D'Amato, S. (2017). 'Terrorism and Terrorists, who, what, why'. Available at: <https://www.vitactiva.it/terrorismo-terroristi-cosa-perche/> [in Italian]

Lecturer/ Instructor

- Security & Rule of Law, MA Crisis and Security Management, Leiden University (ISGA)
2020-present (approx. 400 students)
- Law & Security, BA Security Studies, Leiden University (ISGA)
2020-present, (approx. 300 students)
- Topics of Law & Security, BA Minor Safety, Security & Justice, Leiden University (ISGA)
2020-present, (approx. 120 students)
- Terrorism & Counterterrorism, MA University of Bologna
2020 (approx. 50 students)
- EU Seminars, MA James Madison University (EUPS)
2020 (approx. 15 students)
- Transatlantic Relations & Challenges of Globalisation, MA James Madison University
(EUPS)
2018-2020 (approx. 15 students)
- Topics of International Security, MA University of Bologna
2018-2019 (approx. 55 students)
- Comparative European Politics, MA James Madison University (EUPS)
2017-2019 (approx. 15 students)
- International Relations, BA University of Bologna, Tutor and Part-Time Students Lecturer
2015-2016 (approx. 200 students)
- The Political System of the European Union, MA Programme in International Science and
Cooperation - University of Genoa, Tutor
2015 (approx. 50 students)

Students Supervision

Ph.D Supervision (n.1, ongoing), Ph.D. Defence Committees' Member (n.3), MA Portfolio (n.50), MA thesis supervisor (n.5), BA thesis supervisor (n.4), Organiser of the ISGA PhD research seminars

Teaching Qualifications & Academic Design

2021-2022	Crisis and Security Management Master Portfolio Committee (Leader)
2021	University Teaching Qualification Advanced Lecturer Certificate (Basis Kwalificatie Onderwijs, BKO)
2019-2020	Interim Academic Coordinator for James Madison University, European Union Policy Studies, Master Programme
2019	Max Weber Programme Teaching Training and Certificate.

ACADEMIC SERVICE & LEADERSHIP

2022-Present	Chair of the Institute Council, Institute of Security & Global Affairs (ISGA), Leiden University
2021-Present	Secretary General of the <i>European Initiative on Security Studies</i> (EISS)
2020-Present	Editorial Board Member of International Center for Counterterrorism (ICCT) Netherlands
2020-2021	Executive Board Member of the <i>European Initiative on Security Studies</i> (EISS)
20018-2022	Member of the Ph.D. Board of the Ph.D School 'Security, Risk and Vulnerability', University of Genoa & University of Milan
2018-2019	RSCAD Max Weber Fellows Representative
2017-Present	Member of the 'Observatory on Conflicts', University of Genoa
2017-2020	Member of the 'Forum on the Problems of Peace and War', Florence

CONSULTANCY & EXECUTIVE TRAININGS

2022-2023	Executive trainings for Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale (ISPI), 'Sahel: Jihadist insurrections, political crisis and international interventionism'
2020-2023	Executive trainings on 'Media & Terrorism' for the NATO accredited Centre of Excellence Defence Against Terrorism, Ankara
2022	Consultancy for the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs – FARNESINA, Unità di crisi, February & June.
2020	Consultancy for NATO Strategic Direction-South HUB (NSD-S HUB), March.
2019	Forum for Peace and War Summer School, 'Terrorism & Daesh', June

GRANTS

2023	Dutch Research Council (NWO) SGW Open Competition 'Borderless Counterterrorism'
2022-2025	GTGC Seed Grant 'Explaining Changes in Counterterrorism Practices' Leiden University
2017	Special Research Scholarship Scuola Normale Superiore
2016	Research Support Grant <i>Strategic Narratives to frame Military Engagement in Afghanistan 2001-2014</i> , M/HSB 1/GW 018 – 'Strategic narratives in Afghanistan' University of the Bundeswehr: Munchen & University of Genoa (DISPO)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- 2013-2014 Internship at the International Affairs Bureau | DG Presidency of the Regione Toscana, Florence | Italy.
- 2011 Trainee researcher | European Association for the Defence of Human Rights (AEDH), Brussels | Belgium.

IT SKILLS

Data Analysis and Statistical Software

MaxQda (Mac and Windows advanced)
NVivo (Mac and Windows advanced)
STATA (basic)
WordSmith (advanced)

Writing, Typesetting and Presentation Systems

Mentimeter, Wooclap, Prezi (advanced)
Lyx (advanced);
MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint (advanced)

LANGUAGES

ITALIAN	Mother tongue
ENGLISH	Full proficiency
FRENCH	Full proficiency
SPANISH	Good proficiency