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Full Professor Cultural Anthropology

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Date of Birth: 29th of September 1968

Nationality: Italian

Languages: Italian (mother tongue), English, French, Wolof

Education

- 1987-1992 University of Bologna – student at the Faculty of Political Sciences (Thesis in African History and Institutions): Laurea in Political Sciences

- 1992-1993 University of Sussex – student at AFRAS: MA in Social Anthropology

- 1993-1994 University of Bologna – student in the Postgraduate course 'International aid and development policies in emerging countries'

- 1995-1999 University of Sussex – Post-graduate student at CDE: D.Phil in Social Anthropology (March 2000)

Professional history

- My current position is with the University of Bologna, Department of Education Studies as Full Professor in Cultural Anthropology. Lecturer also in Anthropology of Migration. I have been working in this position since September 2018.

- Sept. 2013 to Sept. 2018 University of Bologna, Department of Education Studies, Associate Professor in Cultural Anthropology. Lecturer also in Anthropology of Migration. In March 2015 I qualified for the post of full Professor (Abilitazione Nazionale)

- Jan. 2004 to Sept. 2013 University of Bologna, Department of Education Studies, Researcher (Ricercatore) with tenure (granted in 2007) in Cultural Anthropology. In March 2010 I qualified for the post of Associate Professor (Idoneità).

Research interests

- Senegalese Transnational Migration
- Co-development and West African Home Town Associations
- Local Policies towards Migrants
- Citizenship and the Second Generation
- Racism, Inclusion/Exclusion and Multiculturalism
- Internal and International Mobilities

Direction, coordination, membership of specific research projects and groups

- 2023-2025 Research Unit Lead within the project NADIHO “Navigating returns: West African experiences of difficult homecoming” (Research Project of National Interest PRIN 2022; University of Milan "Bicocca" Leader)

- 2020-2023 Research Unit Lead within the project GAF “Genealogies of African Freedoms” (Research Project of National Interest PRIN 2017; University of Milan "Bicocca" Leader)

- 2019-2021 WP Lead within the project MIGCHOICE “Testing the Impact of Interventions on Migration Decision-Making in West Africa” (University of Birmingham Leader; OIM; DIFID)

- 2018-2020 Supervisor in ALSOS funded competitive national research project “Migrations and Migrants in Italy”

- 2013-2016 Coordinator of the Alma Mater Studiorum Research Project (FARB 2013) “Boundless mobility. Internal migrations and social dynamics in Europe”

- 2010-11 Team Member in the interdisciplinary project "Religious sense as a multidisciplinary research field", Centre RES (Religion Education Society), Department of Education Studies, University of Bologna

- 2007-2009 Member of the Bologna Leading Unit for the Research Project of National Interest (PRIN 2006) funded by MIUR (Ministry of Higher Education and Research): “Urban contexts, migration processes and young migrants”.
- 2006-2007 Head of the Research unit of Emilia Romagna for CeSPI national project, financed by the Programme MIDA Ghana/Senegal of OIM, Rome.
- 2005-2006 Participation as Researcher within the national project "Migrants for the co-development between Italy and Senegal", CeSPI, COOPI, CISAO
- 2004-2005 Research within the project "Senegalese migrants' investments for urban poverty reduction in the context of origin", ROASS, UN-Habitat
- 2003-2004 Research within the project ALISIA (Quality action development for the social integration of immigrant women), EnAip Emilia-Romagna and Department of Education Studies.
- 2001-2003 Post-doctoral Research within the project on Migrations and the Plural City: Transnational movements and urban interactions, Department of Education Studies, University of Bologna
- 2000-2001 Research ‘Immigration, Identity and Work: The experiences of foreign delegates and practitioners’ CGIL, Reggio Emilia

Scholarships, Fellowships and Professorship

- 1 year abroad postgraduate scholarship from the University of Bologna (1995-1996)
- Marie Curie TMR Fellowship (1996-1999)
- 2 years post-doctoral Fellowship, University of Bologna (2001-2003)
- Max Planck (Institute for the study of religious and ethnic diversity, Gottingen) visiting Fellowship (2008-2009)
- Visiting Professorship Social Anthropology, University of Vienna (2012-2013)
- Visiting Professorship, Université Paris 7 Diderot URMIS - Unité de Recherches Migrations et Société (2014-2015)
- Visiting Professorship (Erasmus Mundus) UCAD, University Cheickh Anta Diop Dakar (2019-2020)

Organisation of International and National Conferences and Workshops as Principal Organizer and Chairperson

- 2007-2008
 - (with C. Brambilla) The International Workshop Transnational Migrations and Dis-located Borders, Scuola di Dottorato in Antropologia ed Epistemologia della Complessità, University of Bergamo;
 - (with M. Fumanti) The Panel Migrant Associations in Europe, EASA Conference, University of Lubjana.
- 2008-2009
 - (with M. Benadusi) International Conference Anthropology, Development, Humanitarian Aid. Scuola di Dottorato in Antropologia ed Epistemologia della Complessità, Università di Bergamo.
- 2011-2012
 - Organizer and Chairperson of the panels on Ethnography and migration, 2012 Etnografia e Ricerca Qualitativa National Conference, University of Bergamo
 - Co-organizer (with M. Giuffrè) and discussant of the Panel “Le due facce della migrazione africana tra marginalità e protagonismo”, Conferenza di studi africani /African Studies Conference, University of Pavia (International biennial Conference of ASAI: Associazione per gli Studi Africani in Italia)

●2013-2014

- Second National Conference of the Italian Society of Applied Anthropology (SIAA), Antropologia Applicata e Spazio Pubblico/Applied Anthropology and Public Space, Scuola di Psicologia e Scienze della Formazione (polo Rimini), University of Bologna.

●2014-2015

- Chairperson of the panel "Mobilità e trasformazioni ambientali", IV° ANUAC Conference Ambiente di vita e ambienti immaginati. Nuove sfide per l'antropologia, Frei University of Bozen
- (with S. Marabello) panel "Le discriminazioni come campo per la ricerca e l'azione: malintesi, divergenze e strumenti", third SIAA National Conference Antropologia Applicata e approccio interdisciplinare, Polo Universitario della città di Prato.

●2015-2016

- International Conference Internal and Transnational Mobilities, FARB Project (MODI), Department of Education Studies, University of Bologna
- (with T. Heil), panel Mobilities ethnographically connected. Beyond the 'gap' between internal and transnational migration, EASA Conference Anthropological Legacies and Human Futures, University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy

●2016-2017

- (with R. Impicciatore), panel Le recenti tendenze nella mobilità interna in Italia. Fonti, evidenze e prospettive, National Conference 90° ISTAT (1926-2016), La Società italiana e le grandi crisi economiche 1929-2016, Sapienza Università di Roma
- (with M.G. Cammelli), panel Dentro e fuori l'accoglienza: etnografie dei contesti territoriali locali, Escapes 2017, Ripensare le migrazioni forzate. Teorie, prassi, linguaggi e rappresentazioni, University of Parma
- Symposium The Challenges of Welfare Policy Cross-fertilization, EECERA (European Early Childhood Education Research Association) Annual Conference 2017, Social Justice, Solidarity and Children's Rights, University of Bologna

●2017-2018

- (with M.G. Cammelli) seminar series MODI-Associazione Naufragi Antropologia e scienze sociali, migrazioni e mondi dell'accoglienza, Dipartimento di Scienze dell'Educazione "G.M. Bertin", University of Bologna
- (with S.M. Tall) Atelier Migrants sénégalais en Italie, for la Table de Concertation sur les migrations (GERM) Migrations Sénégalaises Acteurs, Passages et Droits Humains ISCOS ER, ANOLF, MANI, COSPE, Résidence Mamoun, Dakar
- (with G. Guerzoni, F. Tarabusi et al.) Conference Antropologia culturale e contesti educativi, SIAC, SIAA, ANPIA, Department of Education Studies, University of Bologna
- (with S. Marabello) Panel Time, Mobility and Return, V Conference ASAI Plural Africa. Politics, knowledge and social dynamics in time and space, Dipartimento di Scienze Politiche e Sociali, University of Bologna

●2018-2019

- Conference AiutiamoCi a casa nostra. Migrazioni e politiche di accoglienza dallo scenario nazionale a quello locale. Dipartimento di Scienze dell'Educazione, Università di Bologna
- Director of the Master *Educatore nell'accoglienza e inclusione di migranti, richiedenti asilo e rifugiati*, Department of Education Studies, University of Bologna

●2019-2020

- (with S. Marabello) Panel Spazi di convivialità? Pratiche e Significati di convivenza, National Conference of the Italian Society of Applied Anthropology (SIAA), University of Ferrara

●2022-2023

- Seminar L'“effetto specchio” della presenza africana sull'accoglienza in Italia, Project GAF “Genealogies of African Freedoms” (PRIN 2017), MODI, Department of Education Studies, University of Bologna

- (with C. Pilotto) workshop Immaginari di libertà e risonanza delle immagini. Tecnologie digitali, soggettività e politiche del quotidiano nella vita online della diaspora africana e oltre, Project GAF “Genealogies of African Freedoms” (PRIN 2017), MODI, Department of Education Studies, University of Bologna

Direction of research institutions and organizations

● 2012-ONGOING Director of the Research Centre on Mobility Diversity and social Inclusion (MODI), Department of Education Studies, University of Bologna

● 2015-2017 President of the Italian Society of Applied Anthropology (SIAA)

(Co)Direction of book series

● "Migrazioni", Editore CISU 2013-ONGOING

● Sezione Antropologia Culturale series "Interculture", Junior Editore. 2014-ONGOING

(Co)Direction of Journals

●Codirection of the Journal "Antropologia Pubblica" 2014-2021

Membership of Scientific or Editorial Boards

●Member of the Scientific Board of the Journal “African Diaspora”

●Member of the Scientific Board of the Journal “Educazione Interculturale”

●Member of the Editorial Board of the Journal “Anthropological Journal of European Cultures”

●Member of the Editorial Board of the Journal “Mondi Migranti”

●Member of the Editorial Board of the Journal “Afriche e Orienti”

●Member of the Editorial Board of the Journal “Antropologia contemporanea”

Some relevant publications:

1) 1999 ‘Senegalese street-sellers, racism and the discourse on “irregular trade” in Rimini’, *Modern Italy*, 4, 2

2) 2000 ‘The Italian Construction of Immigration: Sedentarist and Corporatist Narratives Facing Transnational Migration in Emilia-Romagna’, *Anthropological Journal on European Cultures*, 9, 2

3) 2001 ‘From “ethnic group” to “transnational community”? Senegalese Migrants' Ambivalent Experiences and Multiple Trajectories’, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 27, 4

4) 2002 ‘*Senegal is our home*: the anchored nature of Senegalese transnational networks’ in N. Al-Ali and K. Koser (eds.) *New Approaches to Migration? Transnational Communities and the Transformation of Home*, Routledge, London.

5) 2002 ‘*Toubab and vu cumprà*: Italian perceptions of Senegalese transmigrants and the Senegalese Afro-Muslim critique of Italian society’ in R.D. Grillo and J. Pratt (eds.) *The Politics of Recognising Difference: Multiculturalism Italian Style*, Ashgate, Aldershot.

6) 2003 ‘L’urbanisation Mouride et les migrations transnationales sénégalaises’ in A. Piga (sous la direction) *Islam et villes en Afrique au sud du Sahara*, Karthala, Paris.

7) 2003 ‘More than a Trade Diaspora. Senegalese Transnational experiences in Emilia Romagna (Italy)’ in K. Koser (ed.) *New African Diasporas*, Routledge, London.

- 8) 2004 (with R Grillo) 'Translocal Development: Italy-Senegal', *Population, Space and Place*, 10
- 9) 2004 'Transnational Mouridism and the Afro-Muslim Critique of Italy' *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 30, 5
- 10) 2005 'Talkin' about migration. Some ethnographic notes on the ambivalent representation of migrants in contemporary Senegal', *Stichproben, Wiener Zeitschrift für Kritische Africastudien/Vienna Journal of African Studies*, 8
- 11) 2006 '« Transmigrants » mais pas « nomades »: Transantionalisme Mouride en Italie' *Cahiers d'études africaines*, 181
- 12) 2007 "Toubab" e "vu cumprà". *Transnazionalità e rappresentazioni nelle migrazioni senegalesi in Italia*, Cleup, Padova
- 13) 2008 'West African Transnationalisms Compared: Ghanaians and Senegalese in Italy' *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 34, 2
- 14) 2008 'Les migrants sénégalais en Italie. Réseaux, insertion et potentiel de co-développement', in M.C. Diop (ed.) *Le Sénégal des migrations. Mobilités, identités et sociétés*, Karthala, Paris.
- 15) 2008 *Politiche, associazioni e interazioni urbane. Percorsi di ricerca antropologica sulle migrazioni contemporanee*, Guaraldi, Rimini
- 16) 2010 (with R. Salih) 'Transnational migration and rescaling processes. The Incorporation of Migrant Labor' in N. Glick Schiller e A. Caglar (eds) *Locating Migration. Rescaling Cities and Migrants*, Cornell University Press, Ithaca.
- 17) 2011 (with M. Russo) 'Everyday practised citizenship and the challenges of representation: second-generation associations in Bologna' *Journal of Modern Italian Studies*, 16, 3
- 18) 2011 'Exploring Senegalese translocal spaces. Reflections on Multisited Research' Coleman, S., Von Hellermann, P. (eds.) *Multisited Ethnography. Problems and Possibilities in the Translocation of Research Methods*, Routledge, London.
- 19) 2011 'Rehearsing Transnational Citizenship: Senegalese Associations, Co-development and Simultaneous Inclusion', *African Diaspora*, 4
- 20) 2012 'Citoyenneté, Représentations et Discriminations. Les associations des jeunes d'origine étrangère à Bologne', *Migrations Société*, 141-142
- 21) 2013 'Following the Senegalese Migratory Path through Media Representation' in R. King and N. Wood (eds.) *Media and Migration* Routledge, London.
- 22) 2013 (with S. degli Uberti) 'Senegalese Migrants in Italy. Beyond the Assimilation/Transnationalism Divide', *Urban Anthropology*, 42, 1-2
- 23) 2014 (ed) *Antropologia e migrazioni*, CISU, Roma
- 24) 2016 'Political Spaces. The ambivalent experiences of Italian second-generation associations' in Nibbs, F., Brettell, C. (eds.) *Identity and the Second Generation. How Children of Immigrants Find Their Space*, Vanderbilt University Press, Nashville
- 25) 2016 (ed.) *From Internal to Transnational Mobilities*, Emil di Odoia, Bologna
- 26) 2016 'Antropologia applicata, politiche migratorie e riflessività professionale' in Severi, I., Landi, N. (a cura di) *Going Public. Percorsi di antropologia pubblica in Italia*, CIS, Dipartimento di Filosofia e Comunicazione (collana "Bologna Studies in History of Science"), Bologna
- 27) 2017 (with T. Heil, A. Priori, I. Schwarz) 'Introduction. Mobilities – migratory experiences ethnographically connected' *New Diversities*, 19, 3
- 28) 2017 (with S. Degli Uberti) 'Imagining greener pastures? Shifting perceptions of Europe and mobility in Senegalese society. A diachronic approach', *Etnografia e Ricerca Qualitativa*, 3
- 29) 2018 (eds. with F. Tarabusi) 'Dilemmi, mediazioni e pratiche di accoglienza di rifugiati e richiedenti asilo', *Educazione Interculturale*, 16, 1
- 30) 2018 (with S. Marabello) 'West African Migrations to Italy: An Anthropological Analysis of Ghanaian and Senegalese Politics of Mobility in Emilia Romagna' *Revue Européenne des Migrations Internationales (REMI)*, 34, 1

- 31) 2018 (eds. with M. Bassi) 'La cooperazione internazionale allo sviluppo. Costruire sull'esperienza', *Antropologia Pubblica*, 4, 1
- 32) 2019 (ed.) *Mobilità. Incursioni etnografiche*, A. Mondadori, Milano
- 33) 2019 (with F. Tarabusi) 'Le politiche del riconoscimento nelle società multiculturali. Prospettive antropologiche' in Cavalleri M. (a cura di) *Il due in questione. Prospettive interdisciplinari sul riconoscimento*, Quaderni di Scienza & Politica, Bologna
- 34) 2020 (eds. with S. Marabello) 'Spazi di convivialità? Convivere e co-abitare con migranti in Italia', *Antropologia Pubblica*, 6, 2
- 35) 2021 'Exploring mobility through mobility. Some of the methodological challenges of multi-sited ethnography in the study of migration' in Matera V. Biscaldi A. (eds.) *Ethnography: a Theoretically Oriented Practice*, Palgrave
- 36) 2022 (with R. Black, Bellagamba A. et al.) 'Migration drivers and migration choice: interrogating responses to migration and development interventions in West Africa', *Comparative Migration Studies*, 10, 10
- 37) 2023 (with G. Zingari, Sakho P., Cissokho D.) 'It's Only a Matter of Hope: Rethinking Migration Decision-Making in Contemporary Senegal; Between Lived Immobilities, Development Interventions, and Social Inequalities', *Africa Today*, 69
- 38) 2023 (ed.) 'Special Focus: L'“effetto specchio” delle migrazioni africane sui servizi e il sistema accoglienza in Italia', *Antropologia*, 10, 1
- 39) 2024 (with V. Castellano) 'Migrants' Self-Narrations as Cultural Critique: Exploring Political Subjectivities through Asylum Seekers' and Returnees' Narratives and Literature', in Reed-Danahay D., Wulff H. (eds.) *Anthropological Approaches to Reading Migrant Writing. Reimagining Ethnographic Methods, Knowledge, and Power*, Routledge, London
- 40) 2024 (with F. Tarabusi) *Antropologia ed etnografia per i servizi socio-educativi*, Junior Spaggiari, Reggio Emilia

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