# Dr Serenella Mancini CURRICULUM VITAE ET STUDIORUM

#### EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- 21 Feb 2020 PhD in Archaeology (curriculum in Archaeology and Post-Classical Antiquities), Sapienza University of Rome, Department of Ancient Sciences. Thesis in Islamic Archaeology (L-OR/11) entitled "The Ceramics of Estakhr (Iran): Classification, Study, and Comparisons," supervised by M.V. Fontana and co-supervised by F. Bellatreccia (Evaluation: Excellent).
- 25 Jan 2016 Master's Degree in Archaeology (curriculum in Eastern Archaeology), Sapienza University of Rome, Department of Ancient Sciences. Thesis in Islamic Archaeology (L-OR/11) entitled "Ceramic Production in Iran from the 9th to the 12th Century: Archaeological Data and Their Interpretation," supervised by M.V. Fontana and co-supervised by G. Terribili (Grade: 110/110 cum laude).
- 12 Dec 2012 Bachelor's Degree in Archaeological and Historical Sciences of the Classical and Eastern Worlds, Sapienza University of Rome, Faculty of Humanities. Thesis in Islamic Archaeology and Art History (L-OR/11) entitled "The Ceramics from the Excavation of the Palace of Ghazni (Afghanistan, 11th-13th Century): The Northwest Tower," supervised by Maria Vittoria Fontana (Grade: 110/110 cum laude).

## HOLDING OF CONTRACTS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND POSITIONS AT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS

- 1 Feb 2025 (31 Jan Research Fellow at the Department of Cultural Heritage, Alma Mater 2026) Studiorum University of Bologna. Project Title for PRIN: "eartHeritage -A Cultural Rescue Initiative for Earthen Heritage: An Interdisciplinary, Diachronic, and Trans-Areal Approach to Interconnected Artistic Productions in Clay and Stucco in Iran, Iraq, Central Asia, and the Northern Indian Subcontinent (3rd Century BCE - 8th Century CE)." (Supervisors: Prof. Luca Colliva and Prof. Raimondo Secci)
- 1 Feb 2024 31 Jan Research Fellow at the Department of Cultural Heritage, Alma Mater 2025 Studiorum University of Bologna. Project Title for PRIN: "eartHeritage -A Cultural Rescue Initiative for Earthen Heritage: An Interdisciplinary, Diachronic, and Trans-Areal Approach to Interconnected Artistic Productions in Clay and Stucco in Iran, Iraq, Central Asia, and the Northern Indian Subcontinent (3rd Century BCE - 8th Century CE)." (Supervisors: Prof. Luca Colliva)
- 1 Feb 2023 31 JanResearch Fellow at the Department of Cultural Heritage, Alma Mater2024Studiorum University of Bologna. Project Title: "The Production of<br/>Ceramics in Transition Periods: Continuity and Innovation in the

Ceramics of Central and Southern Fars between the Arsacid and Sasanian Periods and between the Sasanian and Proto-Islamic Periods" (Supervisor: Prof. Pierfrancesco Callieri).

- 1 Jul 2021 –
  Research Fellow in Islamic Archaeology at the Department of Ancient
  30 Jun 2022
  Sciences, Sapienza University of Rome. Project Title: "The Islamic
  Period Ceramic Corpus (7th-18th Century) from the Citadel of Erbil
  (KRG, Iraq): Study, Classification, and Analysis" (Supervisors: Prof. Maria
  Vittoria Fontana July 2021/October 2021; Prof. Michelina Di Cesare –
  November 2021/June 2022).
- 1 Dec 2019 –Research Fellow in Islamic Archaeology at the Department of Ancient26 Jan 2021Sciences, Sapienza University of Rome. Project Title: "Ceramic<br/>Productions Documented at Estakhr and the Manufacturing Landscape<br/>of the Iranian Region between the 8th and 13th Centuries" (Supervisor:<br/>Prof. Maria Vittoria Fontana).
- 25 Apr External collaboration contract for the following activities: Processing 23 May 2019 archaeological data for graphic reconstructions and preparing scientific dissemination materials related to archaeological activities at the UNESCO site of the Citadel of Erbil (Kurdistan, Iraq) and subsequent data processing, Department of Ancient Sciences, Sapienza University of Rome.
- 7 Jan 29 Mar 2019 Collections Research Grant (2018-2019) at the Oriental Institute Museum in Chicago (classification and study of Islamic ceramics from the excavations conducted in the 1930s by the Oriental Institute at Estakhr).
- 28 Oct 22 Dec
  2017
  Collections Research Grant (2017-2018) at the Oriental Institute
  Museum in Chicago (classification and study of Islamic ceramics from the excavations conducted in the 1930s by the Oriental Institute at Estakhr).

### AFFILIATION WITH ARCHAEOLOGICAL MISSIONS

- Nov 2023 Project Manager for the study and excavation of the Islamic period phases at the site of Gawra Tepe (KRI, Iraq), part of the MiSAK activities, the Italian Historical Archaeological Mission in Kurdistan, under ISMEO, the International Association for Mediterranean and Oriental Studies, and the International Institute of Kurdish Culture in Rome.
- 2022 Responsible for the study of materials, member (archaeologist and ceramicist) of MISAK the Italian Historical Archaeological Mission in Kurdistan (ISMEO International Institute of Kurdish Culture in Rome) directed by Dr. Luca Colliva (Alma Mater Studiorum, University of Bologna).
- 2021-2022 Project Leader for the Citadel of Erbil for the MAIKI (Italian Archaeological Mission in Iraqi Kurdistan) directed by Prof. Carlo G.

- Cereti (Sapienza University of Rome). 2022- feb 2023 Responsible for the study of ceramic materials for the Kuwaiti-Italian Archaeological Mission to Failaka (Kuwait), directed by Dr. Andrea Di Miceli (in collaboration with the University of Perugia).
- 2018-Responsible for the study of ceramic materials for the Joint Iranian-Italian Archaeological Mission in Fars (ISMEO – ICAR - Alma Mater Studiorum, University of Bologna - University of Shiraz), directed by Prof. Alireza Askari Chaverdi (University of Shiraz) and Prof. Pierfrancesco Callieri (Alma Mater Studiorum, University of Bologna).
- 2018-2022 Member (archaeologist and ceramicist) of the Iraqi-Italian Archaeological Project "Survey of the Great Mosque – Palace Complex of Kufa, Najaf," directed by Prof. Michelina Di Cesare (Sapienza University of Rome).
- 2016- Member (archaeologist and ceramicist) of the Joint Iranian-Italian Archaeological Mission in Fars (ISMEO – ICAR - Alma Mater Studiorum, University of Bologna - University of Shiraz), directed by Prof. Alireza Askari Chaverdi (University of Shiraz) and Prof. Pierfrancesco Callieri (Alma Mater Studiorum, University of Bologna).
- 2014- 2018 Member (archaeologist, ceramicist, and responsible for archaeometric analyses) of the Italian-Iranian Archaeological Mission at Estakhr (ICAR & Sapienza University of Rome), directed by Prof. Maria Vittoria Fontana (Sapienza University of Rome).
- 2013-2022 Member (archaeologist, ceramicist, and responsible for archaeometric analyses) of MAIKI – the Italian Archaeological Mission in Iraqi Kurdistan (Sapienza University of Rome), directed by Prof. Carlo G. Cereti (Sapienza University of Rome).

### **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- 2024-2025 Holder of a teaching contract for "Archaeology and History of Islamic Art" (L-OR/11) with 30 hours of lectures at the Department of Cultural Heritage, Master's Degree Program in Archaeological, Artistic, and Landscape Heritage: History, Protection, and Enhancement, Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna.
- 2023-2024 Holder of a teaching contract for "Archaeology and History of Islamic Art" (L-OR/11) with 30 hours of lectures at the Department of Cultural Heritage, Master's Degree Program in Archaeological, Artistic, and Landscape Heritage: History, Protection, and Enhancement, Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna.
- 2021-2022 Holder of a teaching contract for "Archaeology and History of Islamic Art II" (L-OR/11) with 42 hours of lectures at the Department of Ancient Sciences, Bachelor's Degree Program in Archaeological Sciences, Sapienza University of Rome.

## **OTHER RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**

2023 – 2024	Collaboration with the Department of Sciences, Section of Geological
	Sciences at Roma Tre University, with Prof. Fabio Bellatreccia as the
	main contact, for laboratory research focused on ceramic material.
2014 – 2022	Collaboration with the Department of Sciences, Section of Geological
	Sciences at Roma Tre University, with Prof. Fabio Bellatreccia as the
	main contact for laboratory research focused on ceramic material

main contact, for laboratory research focused on ceramic material from the Joint Iranian-Italian Archaeological Mission at Estakhr and the Italian Archaeological Mission in Iraqi Kurdistan.

### PARTICIPATION IN EDITORIAL COMMITTEES OF JOURNALS

- 2025 Journal of Garmian University a Aran Journal
- 2023 *Sēnmurw Journal of Iranian Studies,* Istituto per l'Oriente Carlo Alfonso Nallino, Roma

#### **ORGANIZATION OF EXHIBITIONS AND EVENTS**

- 2024 Co-Curator and Co-Organizer of the exhibition "Traces and Pathways: The New Discoveries of the Italian Historical Archaeological Mission in Kurdistan," at the "Luigi Ghirotti" Territory Museum in Riccione (December 20, 2024 – April 6, 2025).
- 2024 Curator and organizer of the exhibition "Italian Archaeological Missions in Iraqi Kurdistan (2011-2023)" for the Consulate of Italy in Erbil, along with the exhibition catalog in three languages.
- 2023 Co-organizer with Marco Baldi and Luca Colliva of the Study Day "Ceramics at the Table: A Study Day on Tableware between the Mediterranean and Asia"; organized in collaboration with the Department of Cultural Heritage of Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna, ISMEO, P.A.S.T Laboratory, and the Courses in Historical Archaeology of the Indo-Iranian Border, Archaeology of Pre-Islamic Historical India, and Archaeology and History of Islamic Art from the BAAP Master's Program.
- 2020 Co-responsible for organizing the exhibition "Beyond the Columns of Media" (December 16, 2020), Museum of Classical Art, Department of Ancient Sciences, Sapienza University of Rome.
- 2020 Co-responsible for organizing the exhibition "The Diadem of Narseh: Power and Royalty in Iraqi Kurdistan" (November 10, 2020), Museum of Classical Art, Department of Ancient Sciences, Sapienza University of Rome.
- 2016 Preparation of the permanent exhibition of Islamic archaeological materials from Ghazni (Afghanistan) at the Museum of the Near East, Egypt, and the Mediterranean, Sapienza University of Rome.
- From 2014 to 2018 Organizer of projects and museum activities (development, design, and

organization of educational activities) at the National Museum of East Asian Art 'G. Tucci,' Rome, as a member of the Cultural Association 'Vidyā – Arts and Cultures of Asia.'

2014 Co-responsible for organizing the study day (October 31, 2014) dedicated to Umberto Scerrato (1928-2004): "Presentation of the Reprint of His Writings," "Temporary Exhibition of Islamic Artifacts from His Excavations in Iran and Afghanistan," and "Exhibition of Panels Illustrating His Excavation Activities" (Odeion Hall, Department of Ancient Sciences, Sapienza University of Rome).