

Among Empires: Transimperial Circulation of Political Models The Case of Four “Latecomers” (Germany, Italy, Belgium, and Japan)

Turin-Vercelli, 13-14 February 2025

13 February 2025, Aula Lauree Rossa, Campus Einaudi, Lungo Dora Siena 100, Turin

1pm, **Welcome**

2pm **Greetings and introduction: Paolo Fonzi, Olindo de Napoli**

2pm-3.15pm

Panel

Japan and the European Models of Colonial Rule

Chair: Andrea Revelant

Tomoko Akami (European University Institute and Australian National University), ‘Meaning of a congruent empire model and internal colonization: the Japanese empire and the continental European empires, 1905-1944’

Francesco Cioffo (Ca’ Foscari University of Venice), ‘The Raj as the blueprint: the Japanese rediscovery of India and the search for a Trans-Imperial colonial structure’

3.15 pm-4.30pm

Panel

Japan, Italy and Germany: the Politics of Mutual Comparison

Chair: Paolo Fonzi

Nicola Bassoni (Ca’ Foscari University of Venice), ‘Confronting an Uneasy Model: Representations of Japan’s Latecomer Empire in National Socialist Germany and Fascist Italy’

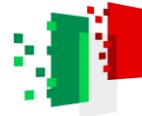
Jing Sun (University of Tokyo), ‘A Way Out of the Malthusian Trap: Food Problem in Japan and the Making of Geopolitik’

4.30pm-5. Coffee Break

5.pm-6.15pm



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Italy's Perspective on other Empires

Chair: Barbara Curli

Luca Castiglioni (University of Novedrate), 'Comparing Empires: The Dodecanese in Fascist Italy's Colonial Debates'

Giovanni Costenaro (European University Institute), 'Subjects or Citizens? Fascism's Eurafrica, the Roman empire and the question of colonial belonging at the transimperial Volta Congresses on Europe and Africa, 1932-38'

8pm Dinner

14 February 2025, Sala Riunioni 3, Palazzo Tartara, Via Galileo Ferraris 107-109, Vercelli

10am-11.15am

Panel

Education and Empire Building in the Italian Empire: a Transimperial Perspective

Chair: Arlena Buelli

Caterina Scalvedi (Indiana University), 'Colonial Education, Italy, and the Politics of Comparison: A Latecomer Empire in International Networks, 1900-1940'

Martino Oppizzi (École française de Rome), 'From the empire to the children: Italian schools abroad as laboratories of transimperial policies'

11.15-11.45 Coffee Break

Panel

11.45.13 Italy's and Belgium's Empires seen "from the outside"

Chair: Olindo de Napoli

Arlena Buelli (University of Naples Federico II), 'The Italian Latecomer Empire through Colonial Eyes: "Anticolonial Politics of Comparison" and 1930s Pan-Arab Publics'

Hatice Ugur (Marmara University), 'Muhammad Muhtar: A Belgian Muslim in Transimperial Networks of Ottoman Diplomacy and African Colonial Encounters (1889-1892)'

13 Conclusion

13.30 Light Lunch

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