

## BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE

MARIO MARASCO

### TITLES:

#### a) EDUCATION AND TRAINING

**20/20/2024.** PhD in History of Europe (cycle XXXII), with research related to Ethno-Anthropological Disciplines SSD SDEA-01/A (formerly M-DEA/01). Sapienza University of Rome. Title of Dissertation: 'Peripheries, gangsterism and youth gangs. Marginality and forms of resistance in a comparative study (Italy-Ethiopia)'. Thesis supervisor: Giuseppe Domenico Schirripa.

**15/07/2016.** Master's Degree in Ethno-Anthropological Disciplines. Sapienza University of Rome. Title of Dissertation: 'Youth gangs, microcredit and the construction of masculinity in Mekelle'. Supervisor: Giuseppe Domenico Schirripa - Co-supervisor: Alberto Sobrero. Graduation Grade 110/110 cum laude.

**18/02/2003.** Master's degree in Philosophy. University of Naples 'Federico II'. Title of dissertation: Vision, image, projection. From Maurice Merleau-Ponty's reflection on Cézanne to the cinema of C. T. Dreyer. Supervisor: Eugenio Mazzarella. Graduation Grade 110/110 cum laude.

#### b) TEACHING ACTIVITIES AT UNIVERSITY LEVEL IN ITALY OR ABROAD

1. **26/04/2024.** Lecture at the 'Master in Participatory Design' of the IUAV University of Venice and Sapienza University of Rome. Lecture on the following topic: action-research in the Bastogi temporary accommodation centre (Rome) and the role of urban anthropology; 4 hours.
2. **05/12/2023.** Lecture at the seminar 'Fare e disfare la città', for the Master's Degree Course in Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences - European Cultures and Societies at the University of Milan Bicocca. Lecture on the following topic: research in the Roman suburbs and processes of territorial stigmatisation, included in the volume 'Spacciati rabbiosi coatti' published by ombre corte (2021); 4 hours.
3. **2021-2023.** Co-tutor of Master's Thesis, as lecturer in Ethno-anthropological Disciplines, SARAS Department -Sapienza University of Rome:
  - commission of 20/01/2021;
  - commission of 20/08/2023.
4. **AA. 2018/2019.** Lectures during the Master's Degree Course in Ethno-Anthropological Disciplines (Sapienza University of Rome) in support of Prof. Giuseppe Domenico Schirripa's Chair in Ethnology. Lectures on the following topics: ethnography of youth gangs; urban marginality; 6 hours in total.
5. **08-09/2018.** Mekelle University (Ethiopia), Department of Anthropology, Summer School in History, Anthropology and Heritage. Teaching: Ethnographic research methodology; 12 hours.

#### c) TRAINING OR RESEARCH ACTIVITIES AT QUALIFIED ITALIAN OR FOREIGN INSTITUTES

**2024.** Current position. Research fellow at the DICEA Department (Sapienza University of Rome) as anthropologist. Research subject: "Study of urban regeneration processes and social dynamics in relation to the forms of use and (re)appropriation of living spaces and public use in highly problematic ERP neighbourhoods in the suburbs". Scientific supervisor: Prof. Carlo Cellamare.

**09/2023-08/2024.** Research fellow at the DICEA Department (Sapienza University of Rome) as anthropologist. Research subject: "Study of urban regeneration processes in relation to the forms of management and (re)appropriation of living spaces and public use in highly problematic ERP neighbourhoods in the suburbs (Bastogi, Rome)". Scientific supervisor: Prof. Carlo Cellamare.

**A.Y. 2017-2018 to A.Y. 2019-2020.** Ethnographic research in Ethiopia aimed at the doctoral thesis within the framework of the Italian Ethnological Mission in Tigray - Ethiopia (MEITE), directed by Prof. Pino Schirripa and with the assistance of the Department of Anthropology at Mekelle University. The subject of investigation was mainly the town of Mekelle in the Tigray region of northern Ethiopia. The research focused on the study of youth gangs and the processes of reconversion implemented by Tigrayan society. Research field stay spread over the years: 7 months in total.

**09/2015-01/2016.** Ethnographic research in Ethiopia finalised for the master's thesis within the framework of the Italian Ethnological Mission in Tigray - Ethiopia (MEITE), directed by Prof. Pino Schirripa and with the help of the Department of Anthropology at Mekelle University. The field of investigation was the town of Mekelle in the Tigray region of northern Ethiopia. The research focused on the social construction of masculinity, street clashes among urban gangs, the politics of control and forms of social labelling. The extensive fieldwork formed the basis for the subsequent doctoral work.

**08/2014-09/2014.** Summer School in Anthropology, History and Heritage at Mekelle University, with the support of Sapienza University of Rome and Italian Ethnological Mission in Tigray - Ethiopia (MEITE), directed by Prof. Pino Schirripa.

#### **d) SPEAKER AT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSES AND CONFERENCES**

**12/09/2024.** Selected speaker. Title of paper: 'The social construction of the enemy between youth marginality, ethnic stigma and pre- and post-colonial rhetorics at the dawn of the Tigray War (Ethiopia)'. ASAI VII: "Longing for Belonging: Communities and Divides in Africa" | University of Messina, 12-14 September 2024.

**15/05/2024.** Selected speaker. Title of paper: 'Between exclusion and attraction: an ethnographic overview of Bastogi as an urban intermediate space'. Urban Traces-2024 Conference - 'Who learns from whom? Interdisciplinary looks between 'public action' and bottom-up practices'. IUAV University of Venice.

**11/12/2023.** Invited speaker. Title of paper: 'A space of permanent temporariness through the lens of applied anthropology: the Bastogi case'. Seminar 'Alice in the cities: research, action and participation in fragile urban contexts. International methods and practices in comparison', within the framework of the PhD in Sustainability for the design of the built environment and product system, University of Florence.

**1-5/10/2018.** Selected speaker. Title of the paper: 'Rights from the street corner in Mekelle. An ethnographic analysis of an unruly youth group in the mutable urban scenario'. 20th International Conference of Ethiopian Studies (ICES20) - Mekelle University, Ethiopia.

**27-30/06/2018.** Selected speaker. Title of paper: 'Neoliberal State of Marginality: street gangs, youth enterprises and moral economy in Mekelle (Ethiopia)'. European Conference on African Studies (ECAS 2017), Centre for African Studies. University of Basel.

**16/05/2018.** Invited speaker. Talk title: 'Youth Gangs in Mekelle. International Study Day: Ethnographies in Tigray. An overview of the current work of the Italian Ethnological Mission in Ethiopia - Tigray'. Sapienza University.

**29/06/2017-01/07/2017.** Selected speaker. Title of paper: 'Entrepreneurial Policies in Mekelle (Ethiopia): a New Social Construction of Poverty'. Conference of the African Studies Association in Germany (VAD) "African Connections". University of Leipzig.

**e) PRIZES AND AWARDS FOR RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**

**A.Y. 2017-2018.** Winner of the call for mobility abroad for PhD students (Sapienza University of Rome) with the project "*Association, democratisation, nation building and cultural synergies. Politics, marginality and consensus in the new processes of democratisation and development*".

**A.Y. 2015-2016.** Winner of the call for mobility (MEITE-Italian Ethnological Mission in Tigray-Ethiopia and Sapienza University of Rome / funded by MAECI-Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation) for Master's thesis in the field.

## SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

### MONOGRAPHS

- Mario Marasco, 2021, *Spacciati rabbiosi coatti. Periferia romana e costruzione del panicomorale, ombre corte*, Verona.

### PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- Mario Marasco, 2024, *Bandes de jeunes à Mekelle (Tigré - Éthiopie) entre la rhétorique du développement, le microcrédit et la recherche du consensus*, «Canadian Journal of African Studies / Revue canadienne des études africaines», in press.
- Mario Marasco, 2024, *Looping strategies. Moral slippages between the certain and the uncertain in a Roman temporary housing area*, «Lo Squaderno», no. 67, pp. 47-51.
- Mario Marasco, 2024, *Religious space, pacification of urban conflict and material religiosity in Bastogi. An ethnographic research*, «SMSR-Studies and Materials on the History of Religions», no. 90, pp. 135-156.
- Mario Marasco, 2023, *Bastogi in loop. Lo spazio della permanente temporaneità*, «Tracce Urbane», no. 14, pp. 324-345.

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