

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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Affiliation: University of Genoa (Italy)  
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**CURRENT POSITION**

2016-20 **Postdoc Research Fellow in Political Science and International Relations (SPS/04)**, University of Genova, Department of Political Science. Research project: Turkey's engagement in Africa. The case of Somalia. Supervisor: prof. Giampiero Cama.

**GENERAL AREAS OF INTEREST**

International Relations of the Middle East, Foreign and Security Policy, Security interactions in the Middle East and Horn of Africa, Chinese role in Middle East politics, Great Power politics in western Asia and eastern Africa.

**EDUCATION**

2013-16 **Ph.D. in "History, Politics and Languages of Intercultural Relations"**, Doctoral School of Political Science, University of Genova with fellowship. Thesis title: *The millet system and treatment of religious minorities in the Ottoman Empire between the XVI and the XIX century*. Supervisor: prof. Maria Elisabetta Tonizzi.

2011-12 **Master Degree in Politics and Economics of the Mediterranean**, University of Genova. Thesis title: *"The Ottoman roots of Contemporary Turkey"*. Supervisor: prof. Maria Elisabetta Tonizzi. Final grade: 110/110 *cum laude*.

2006-10 **Bachelor Degree in Political Sciences and International Relations**, Catholic University of Milan. Thesis title: *"Relations between the United States and the State of Israel from 1948 to 1956"*. Supervisor: prof. Massimo De Leonardis. Final grade: 101/110.

**VISITING FELLOWSHIPS, RELEVANT FIELD OF RESEARCH AND AWARDS**

2013 December 2013: interviews and bibliographic research, Turkey.

2014 April: interviews and bibliographic research, Turkey.

2014 Junior Researcher at The International Center for Contemporary Turkish Studies – ICCT, Milan (Italy).

2015 March-May: interviews and bibliographic research, Turkey.

2015 September-October: Phd Visiting Student at the Tennessee University of Knoxville, United States. Fellowship: Ready for the World Young Researcher Grant.

2016 April: interviews and bibliographic research, Turkey.

2016 Doctoral Dissertation Award, University of Genova.

2017 January-June: Visiting Researcher at the Center for Modern Turkish Studies, Istanbul, Turkey. Fellowship: Türkiye Scholarships – Research Fellowship Programme.

2018 December: interviews, Qatar.

2018-19 Research Fellow at the Center for Modern Turkish Studies, Istanbul, Turkey.

**PUBLICATIONS****Book**

2021 *The Ankara Consensus. Turkey's strategic involvement in sub-Saharan Africa*, London: I.B. Tauris (Forthcoming; approved with minor revision)

- 2019 *Sovranismo islamico. Erdogan e il ritorno della Grande Turchia*, Roma: Luiss University Press. ISBN: 978-88-6105-4219.
- 2019 *Le due sponde del Mar Rosso. La politica estera degli Stati mediorientali nel Corno d'Africa*. Milano: Mondadori Università. ISBN: 978-88-6184-740-8.
- 2017 *Islam e pluralismo. La coabitazione religiosa nell'Impero Ottomano*, Firenze: Le Monnier Università. ISBN: 978-880-0748-43-8.

#### Edited Book

- 2016 F. Donelli, A. Chiriatti and M. Férez (eds.), *Un retrato de la Turquía contemporánea. Visión general y perspectivas*, Ciudad de México: Universidad Anáhuac México Sur. ISBN: 978-607-9050-15-3.

#### Peer-reviewed articles

- 2020 *Fluctuating Saudi and Emirati Alignment Behaviours in the Horn of Africa*, in «The International Spectator», doi: 10.1080/03932729.2019.1706389. co-authored with G. Dentice.
- 2019 *Asymmetric Alliances and High Polarity: Evaluating Regional Security Complexes in the Middle East and Horn of Africa*, in «Third World Quarterly», doi: 10.1080/01436597.2019.1693255. co-authored with B.J. Cannon.
- 2019 *The Gülen Movement in Africa: From Transnational Asset to Anti-Turkish State Lobby*, in «Israel Journal of Foreign Affairs», Vol. 13, no. 1, pp. 67-80. doi: 10.1080/23739770.2019.1632588.
- 2019 *Persuading through culture, values and ideas. The controversial case of Turkey's cultural diplomacy*, in «Insight Turkey», Vol. 21, no. 3, pp. 113-133. doi: 10.25253/99.2019EV.04
- 2018 *The Ankara Consensus: the significance of Turkey's engagement in Sub-Saharan Africa*, in «Global Change, Peace & Security», Vol. 31, no. 2, pp. 57-76. doi: 10.1080/14781158.2018.1438384
- 2018 *Syrian Refugees in Turkey: A Security Perspective*, in «New England Journal of Public Policy», Vol. 30, n. 2. ISSN: 0749-016X.
- 2017 *Features, Aims and Limits of Turkey's Humanitarian Diplomacy*, in «Central European Journal of International and Security Studies», Vol. 11, no. 3, pp. 59-83. ISSN 1802-548X.
- 2017 *Turkish Civilian Capacity in Post-conflict Scenarios: The Cases of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Kosovo*, in «Journal of Global Analysis», Vol. 7, no. 1, pp. 38-57. ISSN: 2041-1944. Co-authored with Alessia Chiriatti.
- 2016 *Becoming Global Actor: the Turkish agenda for the Global South*, in «Rising Powers Quarterly», Vol. 1, no. 2, pp. 93-115. ISSN: 2547-9423. Co-authored with Ariel Gonzalez.
- 2016 *Reinvention of Turkish Foreign Policy in Latin America: the Cuba case*, in «Insight Turkey», Vol. 18, no. 2, pp. 161-182. ISSN: 1302177X. Co-authored with Erman Akilli.

#### Peer-reviewed articles (IT Journals)

- 2019 *La politica mediorientale della Turchia: dall'autonomia alla nascita dell'Asse turco-qatariota*, in «Rivista di Politica», no. 2, pp. 69-79. ISSN: 2037-495X.
- 2018 *La Turchia da Atatürk a Erdoğan. Programmi scolastici e uso della storia per la nuova identità nazionale*, in «Historia Magistra», n. 26. ISSN: 2036-4040.
- 2018 *Potenzialità e inconsistenze dell'attivismo globale turco: tra ambizione di middle power e il pericolo overstretch*, in «Politics. Rivista di Studi Politici», Vol. 8, no. 2, pp. 49-64. ISSN: 2279-7629.
- 2016 *Le relazioni tra Turchia e Siria nel quadro della politica regionale di potenza: egemonia o leadership?*, in «Rivista di Politica», no. 3, pp. 173-184. ISSN: 2037-495X. Co-authored with Alessia Chiriatti.
- 2016 *La riscoperta turca dell'Africa tra storia e geopolitica*, in «Tetide – Rivista di Studi Mediterranei», no. 1, ISSN: 2421-5937.
- 2014 *Il riassetto della Profondità Strategica turca*, in «Geopolitica», Vol. III, n.1-2/2014, pp. 123-134. ISBN: 97811907847271.
- 2014 *Il ruolo della società civile 'islamica' nella politica estera turca*, in «Afriche e Oriente», anno XVI, n. 1-2/2014, pp. 99 – 115. ISSN: 1592-6753.
- 2013 *La strategia energetica turca guarda verso il Kurdistan*, in «Eurasia», XXX, 2/2013, pp. 75-86. ISSN: 1828-0692.
- 2013 *La "nuova frontiera" di Davutoğlu. Come (e perché) è cambiata la politica estera della Turchia*, in «Rivista di Politica», 3/2013, pp. 143-153. ISSN: 2037-495X.

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- 2013 *Simboli e tradizioni "inventate" alla corte di Abdülhamid II*, in «Diacronie – Studi di Storia Contemporanea», n. XVI, 4/2013. ISSN: 2038-0955.
- 2012 *Le radici ottomane della Turchia di Erdoğan*, in «Diacronie – Studi di Storia Contemporanea», n. XII, 4/2012. ISSN: 2038-0925.
- Special Issue**
- 2019 Editor of the no. 2/2019 of Rivista di Politica, special issue: *La 'nuova' Turchia: sfide, limiti e contraddizioni della Turchia di Erdoğan*.
- Under review**
- 2019 *Turkey's involvement in Sub-Saharan Africa: an empirical analysis of multitrack approach*, in «Journal of Contemporary African Studies» (accepted with major revision)
- 2020 *Power Projection of Middle East States in the Horn of Africa: Linking Security Burdens with Capabilities*, in «Middle East Policy».
- Book Chapters**
- 2018 "From Mogadishu to Buenos Aires: The Global South in the Turkish Foreign Policy in the late JDP period (2011-2017)" co-authored with Ariel Gonzalez-Levaggi, in E. Parlar Del (ed.), *Middle Powers in Global Governance: The Rise of Turkey*, London: Springer International Publishing, pp. 53-73. ISBN: 978-3-319-72364-8.
- 2018 "La caduta dell'Impero ottomano e gli arabi, dall'universalismo al particolarismo", co-authored with Massimo Campanini, in S. Lorenzini and S. Bellezza (eds.), *Sudditi o cittadini? L'evoluzione delle appartenenze imperiali nella Prima guerra mondiale*, Roma: Viella, pp. 67-88. ISBN: 978-88-6728-978-3.
- 2018 "The millet: an intermediate body of the Ottoman religious and legal pluralism", in A. Catanzaro, F. Falchi and S. Lagi (eds.), *Monisms and Pluralisms in the History of Political and Social Models*, Firenze: Edizioni Epoke, pp. 41-58. ISBN: 978-88-99647-80-3.
- 2017 "From the 'Status Quo' to the 'Humanitarian' Discourse: Turkish Foreign Policy in Flux", in Ö. Tüfekçi, H. Tabak and E. Akilli (eds.), *Eurasian Politics and Society: Issues and Challenges*, Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, pp. 92-115. Co-authored with A. Chiriatti. ISBN: 978-1-4438-5511-2.
- 2017 "A hybrid actor in the Horn of Africa. An analysis of Turkey's involvement in Somalia", in A. Ylönen and J. Záhorký (eds.), *The Horn of Africa since the 1960s. Local and International Politics Intertwined*, Abingdon, New York: Routledge, pp. 158-170. ISBN: 9781472478207.
- 2017 "Neo-Ottoman Weltanschauung", in H. Tabak, A. Chiriatti and Ö. Tüfekçi (eds.), *Domestic and Regional Uncertainties in the New Turkey*, Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, pp. 155-167. ISBN: 1-4438-9142-8.
- 2016 "Türkiye'nin İnsani Diplomasi Anlayışı: Somali'ye Yönelik Tek Taraflı Entegre Stratejisi" [Turkey's understanding of humanitarianism: a single-integrated strategy toward Somalia], in E. Akilli (ed.), *Türkiye'de ve Dünyada Dış Yardımlar*, Ankara: NOBEL Akademik Yayıncılık, pp. 265-285. ISBN: 978-605-320-317-9.
- 2016 "Turquía y Cuba. La coronación de una nueva era de relaciones", in A. Gonzalez Levaggi and M. Ferez (eds.), *Turquía-América Latina y el Caribe. Una Asociación Emergente*, Istanbul: Bahçeşehir University Press. Co-authored with Erman Akilli. ISBN: 9-786055-461935.
- 2016 "Una reflexión histórica en torno de la Weltanschauung neo-otomana. Entre la política exterior y la formación de identidad", F. Donelli, A. Chiriatti and M. Férez (eds.), *Un retrato de la Turquía contemporánea. Visión general y perspectivas*, Ciudad de México: Universidad Anáhuac México Sur, pp. 87-99. ISBN: 978-607-9050-15-3.
- 2015 "Turkey's presence in Somalia: a humanitarian approach", in A. Chiriatti, E. Diodato, S. Dogan, F. Donelli and B. Yilmaz (eds.), *The Depth of Turkish geopolitics in the AKP's foreign policy: From Europe to an extended neighbourhood*, Perugia: Università per Stranieri di Perugia, pp. 35-51. ISBN: 978-88-906524-9-3.
- Others**
- 2020 *Determinants of Middle East states involvement in the Horn of Africa*, POMEPS Studies 40.
- 2019 *Middle Eastern States in the Horn of Africa: security interactions and power projection*, co-authored with B.J. Cannon, in «ISPI Analysis», 4/2019.
- 2019 *Back to the Hardest: The U-turn of Turkish Foreign Policy*, in «Political Reflection», Vol. 5, n. 19, pp. 11-15.

- 2017 *Historical Reflection on Neo-Ottoman Weltanschauung: between Identity-making and Foreign Policy*, in «The Copernicus Journal of Political Studies», no. 1, pp. 55-65. doi: 10.12775/CJPS.2017.004
- 2017 Review of Emanuela Locci (ed.), *Io sono turco!* (Milano: Franco Angeli, 2017). *Storia e Politica*, Vol. 9, no. 2, pp. 571-576.
- 2015 *Turkish 'zero problems' between failure and success*, in «Centre for Policy and Research on Turkey – Research Turkey», - Vol. IV, Issue 3, March, pp. 108-131. Co-authored with Alessia Chiriatti.

#### NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

- 2020 *Gulf intervention in the Horn of Africa*. At the workshop entitled Africa and the Middle East, organized by the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) of Columbia University and by the Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS), New York, 28 February, 2020.
- 2019 *Hearts and Minds: Culture for the benefit of Foreign Policy*. At the international workshop entitled Re-thinking Turkish foreign policy in the Western Balkans Ruptures in the neighborhood, organized by Heinrich Böll Foundation, Belgrade, 6 November, 2019.
- 2019 *The Middle East's Interaction with Horn of Africa States and the Shifting Balance of Power* (Panelist and Chair). At the XIV Congress of the Italian Society for Middle Eastern Studies (SeSaMO), University of Turin, 31 January – 3 February, 2019.
- 2018 *Changing alliances and power rearrangement in the Middle East: towards a new regional order?* (Panelist and Chair). At the XXXII Conference of the Political Science Italian Society (SISP), University of Turin, Italy, 6-8 September 2018.
- 2018 *The effects of the Gulf crisis in the Red Sea. Between perception and reality*. At the III Annual International Conference Gulf Studies Center, Qatar University, Qatar, 9-10 December 2018.
- 2017 *The Ankara Consensus: a meaning to Turkey's engagement into Sub-Saharan Africa*. At the international conference on “Africa, New Powers, Old Powers”, organized by the Department of Political and Social Studies, University of Bologna, and EADI Working Group on “Transitions in (Southern) Africa, University of Bologna, Italy, 4-5 May 2017.
- 2017 *The coup attempt and its effects for Turkey's policy toward Africa*. At the “International 15 July and Coups Symposium Global Effects, Media and Democracy”, organized by the Department of Political and Social Studies, University of Kocaeli, Turkey, 26-28 October 2017.
- 2017 *The nexus between foreign policy and migration*. At the NASP Workshop on Political Parties and Foreign Policy at the Department of Political Science of the University of Genoa, Italy, 16 November 2017.
- 2016 *The implications of Syrian refugees crisis on Turkey's foreign policy: an invigorated security dilemma*. At the At XIII Meeting of the Italian Society for the Study of the Middle East (SeSaMO), University of Catania, Italy, 17-19 March 2016.
- 2016 *Turkey's Reinvention of Latin America: the Cuba case*. At the I Eurasia-Latin America International Conference (ELAIC), Istanbul Bahçeşehir University, Turkey, 26-27 March 2016.
- 2016 *The millet institution: an intermediate body of vertical integration characteristic of the religious and legal Ottoman pluralism*. At the conference about “Pluralismo e monismo nei modelli politici e sociali dell'età moderna e contemporanea”, University of Cagliari, Italy, 26-27 May 2016.
- 2016 *Turkey's humanitarian diplomacy as a soft power tool*. At the Annual Conference of the Central and East European International Studies Association (CEEISA) and the International Studies Association (ISA), University of Ljubljana, Slovenia, 23-25 June 2016.
- 2016 *Spreading securitization: the Syrian Refugees Crisis and the Turkey's Foreign Policy Agenda*. At the XXX Conference of the Political Science Italian Society (SISP), University of Milan, Italy, 15-17 September 2016. With Ariel Gonzalez.
- 2015 *New Turkey's soft power toolkit: the Somali case*. At the II IEPAS - International Conference on Eurasian Politics & Society, CESRAN International and Konya Necmettin Erbakan University, Turkey, 20-22 May 2015.
- 2014 *From the Status Quo to the Principle of Freedom and Security: Turkish foreign policy and the challenge of Syrian Crisis*. At the First Annual Conference on Eurasian Politics & Society – CESRAN, Keele University and Karadeniz Technical University, Trabzon, Turkey, 20-21 March 2014.

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- 2014 *Turkey's Double Level Relations in Post-Conflict Balkans*. At the First Symposium with the theme "Turkey and Peace in the Balkans: Cultural and Commercial Diplomacy", in Istanbul, Istanbul Chamber of Commerce, Yıldız Technical University and Istanbul Commerce University, Turkey, 28-30 May 2014.
- 2014 *The total performance principle as key of Turkish activism in Somalia*. At the XXVIII Conference of the Political Science Italian Society (SISP), University of Perugia, Italy, 11-13 September 2014.
- 2014 *The Turkish policies' impact on Africa: the Somali case*. At the III Conference of The Italian Association of the African Studies (ASAI), University of Macerata, Italy, 17-20 September 2014.
- 2013 *Geopolitical Implications of the Arab Upheavals in the Mediterranean: Turkey's Case*. At NEPAS Conference I, "Thinking Out of the Box: Devising New European Policies to Face the Arab Spring", University of Minho, Braga, Portugal, 21/22 February 2013.
- 2013 *The role of civil society in Turkey's foreign policy*. At XI Meeting of the Italian Society for the Study of the Middle East (SeSaMO), University of Pavia, Pavia, Italy, 17-19 September 2013.
- 2013 *Turkish Foreign Policy for a New Regional Order*. At the Fifth Uludağ Conference on International Relations with the theme of "Rebuilding The Peace and Security", Uludağ Üniversitesi, Bursa (Turkey), 11-12 December 2013.

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCES AND MAIN TEACHING MODULES

- A.Y. 2019-20 Course of: "History and Politics of the Middle East", master degree, Department of Political Science, University of Genoa [36h].  
Course of: "History and Institutions of the Modern Middle East", master degree, Department of Political Science, University of Bologna [40h].  
Lecture [2h] in "The Horn of Africa and Middle Eastern states", within the ISPI-Bocconi master in "Geopolitics and Development in Africa", Bocconi University, Milan.
- A.Y. 2019 Lecture [3h] in "Turkey's policy toward Africa", within the Africa Regional Expertise Development Symposium, Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, Washington D.C.
- A.Y. 2018-19 Course of: "Turkey and the Middle East", Postgraduate degrees, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Istanbul Şehir University [50h].
- A.Y. 2018 Lectures [2h] in "Analysis of Turkish foreign policy behaviours", Spring Hill College, Bologna.  
Lectures [3h] in "Turkey-EU: a neoclassical realist study", University of Genova.  
Lectures [3h] in "The Horn of Africa as a Middle East sub-complex", Marmara University, Istanbul.
- A.Y. 2017 Lecture [2h] in "The role of EU in S&R", at the 13<sup>o</sup> Stabilization and Reconstruction Management Senior Course organized by The Italian Army Post Conflict Operations Study Center, Italian Army, Turin.
- A. Y. 2017 Course of: "Comparative Foreign Policy", Undergraduate and Postgraduate degrees, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Istanbul Şehir University [60h].  
Seminar on: "Turkey's Southern Dimension: the engagement into Sub-Saharan Africa", Center for Modern Turkish Studies, Istanbul.
- A. Y. 2016-17 Lecture [2h] in "The Army and Political İslam in the Middle East"; and [2h] "Turkey nested game: a complex interplay between domestic and foreign policy", University of Genova.
- A.Y. 2015-16 Lecture [2h] in "The 'new frontier' of Turkey's foreign policy: chance or challenge to the West?"; and [3h] in "Turkey's soap operas: a new kind of cultural penetration", Tennessee University of Knoxville.  
Lecture [3h] in "Turkey's role in the Middle East: resource or destabilize element?", University of Genova.
- A.Y. 2014-15 Lecture [3h] in "The Modern Turkey: politics and society"; "Turkish Foreign Policy", University of Genova.
- A.Y. 2013-14 Lectures [6h] in "The Armenian massacres during the Ottoman decline"; and "Davutoğlu theory for a new Turkish foreign policy", University of Genova.

#### MEMBERSHIP AND SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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Member of the Italian Association for the Middle Eastern Studies (SeSaMO).  
 Editor for De Europa, Italy and for the International Journal of Islamic and Civilizational Studies (UMRAN), Malaysia.  
 Member of Scientific Committee of "Politics, Economics and Administrative Sciences Journal (PEAJ)", Turkey; "Novus Orbis- Journal of Politics and International Relations", Turkey.  
 Peer reviewer for "Rivista Africa e Oriente"; "TETIDE – Rivista di Studi Mediterranei", "Interdisciplinary Political Studies"; "Perceptions: Journal of International Relations"; "Turkish Journal of Middle Eastern Studies".  
 Member of the European Standing Group on International Relations.  
 Member of the International Cultural Relations Council of the Arts Investment Forum, London.  
 Member of the Latin America and Caribbean-Turkey Academic Network (LACTAN).  
 Member of the Southern European Politics Standing Group of the European Consortium for Political Research.  
 Member of Scientific Committee of the 2nd Politics and International Relations Congress, organized by the Department of International Relations at Karadeniz Technical University, on 25-26 October 2018 in Trabzon, Turkey.

SKILLS	
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<b>IT</b>	Confident in use of various software packages. Skilled database writer and user. User of Microsoft Office.
<b>Personal</b>	Industrious, willingness to learn, comprehensive problem-solving abilities, ability to deal with people. Taking a proactive approach when tackling challenges within job field as well as life in general.
<b>Institutional</b>	Worked closely with research colleagues, department staff and external contacts. Made presentations to both academic and non-specialist audiences. Able to manage learners and learning effectively. Strongly committed to meeting the needs of individual students.

LANGUAGES					
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Native speaker	Italian				
Other languages	English, Spanish, French, Turkish				
Self-assessment	Understanding		Speaking		Writing
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C1	C1	C1
Spanish	B2	B2	B1	A2	A2
French	A1	A1	A2	A2	-
Turkish	B2	B1	A2	A2	-

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