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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Tibetan Literature (History and Theory, Poetics) - Tibetan Poetry - History of Geography in Tibet and the Buddhist Himalayas - History of Science in Buddhist Tibet - Buddhist Cosmography - Bön Cosmography - Relationships between Science and Faith in a Buddhist Context - Cultural Exchanges in the Himalayas - Cultural and Religious Relationships between Tibet and Nepal

EDUCATION

Nov. 2021-Oct. 2024

University of Naples "L'Orientale", Italy - **Ph.D** in Asian, African and Mediterranean Studies. Thesis: "*Here, on Jambudvīpa. Geography through Tibetan Buddhist Literature, with a Case Study on Tibetan Geographical Literature on Nepal*" (in Italian, discussed Mar. 2025)

Sept. 2017-Apr. 2021

University of Naples "L'Orientale", Italy - **M.A.** in Archeology (Classical and Asian, philological curriculum). Thesis: "*The Bal yul rang byung mchod rten chen po'i lo rgyus. A Study on Si tu Paṅ chen's Translation of the Svayambhūpurāṇa*" (in Italian)

Sept. 2013-Dec. 2016

University of Milan "La Statale", Italy - **B.A.** in Classics (Greek, Latin and Sanskrit). Thesis: "*The Svayambhūpurāṇa. A Translation and Commentary of its First Chapter*" (in Italian)

SEMINARS, COURSES AND WORKSHOPS

Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland - Summer School for Ancient Trans-Himalayan Languages (Old Literary Tibetan, lect. Joanna Bialek), Jun 2025

University of Toronto, Canada - Summer School in Newar Studies (Classical Newar, lect. Christoph Emmrich), Jun. 2025

University of Leiden, The Netherlands - Summer School in Linguistics (Ancient Sino-Tibetan Phonology, lect. Nathan Hill), July 2023

University of Pisa, Italy - Digital Tools for Humanists (Digital Humanities, Digital Philology, Public History), Jun. 2023

University of Toronto, Canada - Summer School in Newar Studies (Classical Newar, lect. Christoph Emmrich), Jun. 2023

Lotsawa Rinchen Zangpo Translator Program (LRZTP), Dharamsala (on-line) — Language Course in Modern and Classical Tibetan (intermediate and advanced), Mar. 2022-Mar. 2024

University of Leiden, The Netherlands - Summer School in Linguistics (Vedic Prose and Poetry, lect. Werner Knobl), July 2017

University of Leiden, The Netherlands - Summer School in Linguistics (Sanskrit Grammar), July 2016

LECTURES AND CONFERENCES

University of Naples "L'Orientale", Italy - Doctoral Conference "Literary Models in Asian Contexts", 31 Oct. 2024: "The 'Dzam gling rgyas bshad and the Description of Italy"

University of Naples "L'Orientale", Italy - International Conference "Beyond Borders. Tracing the Historical Dynamics and Transmission Models of Buddhism in Asian Contexts", 15-18 Oct. 2024: "Nepal through the Looking Glass. Impressions of *Balyul* in Tibetan Literature"

University of Venice "Ca' Foscari", Italy - AISTHiM (Italian Association of Tibetan, Himalayan and Mongolian Studies) Conference, 24-26 Mar. 2024: "The Small Periegesis (*'Dzam gling spyi bshad*) by Sum pa mkhan po Ye shes dpal 'byor"

University of Naples "L'Orientale", Italy - Doctoral Conference, Dec. 2023: "Tibetan Geographical Literature: an Overview"

University of Rome "La Sapienza", Italy - AISTHiM (Italian Association of Tibetan, Himalayan and Mongolian Studies) Conference, Jul. 2021: "Si tu Paṇ chen's Translation of the *Svayambhūpurāṇa*"

University of Rome "La Sapienza", Italy - AISS (Italian Association of Sanskrit Studies) Conference, Oct. 2017: "The Light and the Tortoise: Mythical Origins of the Kathmandu Valley between Buddhism and Hinduism"

PUBLICATIONS

forthcoming - "The 'Dzam gling rgyas bshad on Europe: Glimpses of Italy in an 18th cent. Tibetan Geographical Text" (provisional title), *Annali di Ca' Foscari, Serie orientale*

forthcoming (online contribution) - Si tu Paṇ chen chos kyi 'byung gnas (1700-1774), *The Treasury of Lives*

2024 - "The *Balyul rang byung mchod rten chen po'i lo rgyus* by Si tu Paṇ chen chos kyi 'byung gnas (1700-1774). Summary and Notes on a Cultural Endeavor", *Serie Orientale Roma (S.O.R.), Nuova Serie 42*, Roma: ISMeO, pp. 221-238

MEMBERSHIPS

AISTHiM (Italian Association of Tibetan, Himalayan and Mongolian Studies) - board member since 2024

LANGUAGES

Modern Languages:

Italian (native)

English (advanced)

German (intermediate-advanced)

French (basic spoken, intermediate reading)

Tibetan (basic spoken, intermediate reading)

Chinese (basic-intermediate)

Classical Languages:

Classical Tibetan (advanced)

Sanskrit (intermediate)

Classical Newar (intermediate)

Greek (advanced)

Latin (advanced)

COMPUTER SKILLS

LaTeX (basic)

XML (basic)

Wix (intermediate)

Wordpress (intermediate)

Google Workspace (intermediate)

AWARDS

Doctoral Scholarship awarded by Ministero dell'Università e della Ricerca (Department Education of the Italian Republic) - 2021-2024

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