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## current position

- Associate Professor of Political Science and International Relations (abilitazione scientifica professore 1a fascia/full professor - 2017)  
**Scuola Universitaria Superiore Sant'Anna (SSSA) – Pisa**
- Adjunct Lecturer in International Relations  
**SAIS Europe, The Johns Hopkins University - Bologna**
- Adjunct Research Professor  
**Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI) - Oslo**

## previous positions

- 2017 – Associate analyst – EU Institute of Security Studies (EUISS) Paris
- 2013-2015 - Senior Research Fellow (NUPI) Oslo
- 2009-2012 - Adjunct Professor of International Relations - The Johns Hopkins University (SAIS) Bologna
- 2005-2008 – Senior Lecturer in IR (Universitair Docent 1, with tenure).
- University of Amsterdam, Dept. of Political Science ('best professor 2006')
- 2004-2005 - Professore a Contratto
- Università di Bologna, Facoltà di Scienze Politiche
- 2003-04 – Adjunct professor. Dickinson College, Bologna
- 2001-2005 – Research fellow, MA coordinator and lecturer.  
University of Bologna, Dipartimento di Politica, Istituzioni, Storia.

## academic titles

- 1997-2003 - European University Institute, EUI – Fiesole  
Ph.D. - Department of Social and Political Sciences (supervisor Thomas Risse)
- 1996-97 - The Norman Paterson School of International Affairs - NPSIA.  
Master of Arts in Conflict Analysis, Carleton University, Ottawa.
- 1995-96 – SAIS - The Johns Hopkins University - Bologna Center.  
Post-Graduate Diploma in International Relations.
- 1989-94 – University of Bologna  
Laurea summa cum laude in Political Science (IR track).

## books

*Terrore Sovrano. Stato e Jihad nell'Era Post-Liberale* (with Marina Calculli), Bologna: Il Mulino, 2017.

*Notte Balcanica. Guerre, Crimine, Stati Falliti alle Soglie d'Europa*, Bologna: Il Mulino, 2008.

*La Pace Intrattabile. Kosovo 1999-2000: Una Radiografia del Dopo-Bombe*, Asterios, Trieste, 2000 (with G. Arcadu, B. Carrai, E. Sommaro). [*Kosovo: The Intractable Peace*. Robert Schuman Center, on-line access 2001-2005]

## edited volumes

*Governance Beyond the Law: The Immoral, The Illegal, The Criminal* (with A. Polese, A. Russo). Palgrave Macmillan, 2019

*European Review of Organised Crime* | Special Issue: "Islands of Organised Crime," forthcoming 2019 (with A. Russo)

*African Futures. Horizon 2025* (rapporteur, editor and author, with V. Arnaud) – EUISS Paris, Luxembourg Publication office of the European Union, 2017.

*African Security* | Special Issue: Rethinking Challenges to State Sovereignty in Mali and Northwest Africa, Vol. 8, No. 4, 2015 (with B. Whitehouse)  
*Conflitto, Pace, Costruzione dello Stato e Istituzioni Locali*, Trento: Erickson 2014 (with R. Belloni and M. Cereghini)  
*Mercati di Guerra*. Rapporto di Ricerca su Finanza, Povertà, Ambiente e Conflitti Dimenticati, Bologna: Il Mulino, 2012 (with P. Beccegato and W. Nanni)  
*Guerre alla Finestra*. Rapporto di Ricerca su Conflitti Dimenticati, Guerre Infinite e Terrorismo Internazionale, Bologna: Il Mulino, 2005 (with P. Beccegato and W. Nanni)

#### journal articles

- “(B)ordering hybrid security? EU stabilisation practices in the Sahara-Sahel region,” (with L. Raineri), *Ethnopolitics*, Vol. 18, No. 5, 2019, pp. 544-55.
- “Government policy and the migrant crisis in the Mediterranean and African arenas,” (with M. Grandi), *Contemporary Italian Politics*, Vol. 11 No. 3 (2019), pp. 336-354.
- “Fragile data for fragile identities: understanding radicalisation and conflict in fragile states,” (with L. Raineri), under revision, *Security Dialogue*
- “Shadow-governing the eternal city: Rome’s world-in-between,” (with G. Zanoletti), under consideration, *Global Crime*
- “Securitization of Research: Fieldwork under new Restrictions in Darfur and Mali” (with M. Peter) *Third World Quarterly*, Vol. 38, no. 7, pp. 1531-1550, 2016. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/01436597.2016.1256766>
- “State, Secession and Jihad: The Micro-political Economy of Conflict in North Mali (with L. Raineri), *African Security*, Vol. 8, No. 4, 2015, pp. 249-271.
- “Introduction: Rethinking Challenges to State Sovereignty in Mali and Northwest Africa,” with B. Whitehouse, *African Security*, Vol. 8, No. 4, 2015, pp. 213-226.
- “Captured or Capturing? Narcotics and Political Instability along the ‘African Route’ to Europe,” *European Review of Organized Crime*, vol. 1, no. 2, 2014, pp. 5-34.
- “A Deal Among Friends: Corruption in Post-Conflict Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo,” (with R. Belloni), *Third World Quarterly*, vol. 35, no. 5, 2014, pp. 855-871. DOI: 10.1080/01436597.2014.921434
- “US homeland, EU archipelago? Convergence and Divergence on Transnational Organized Crime” (with A. Russo). *European Security*, 2014 – DOI 10.1080/09662839.2014.933207
- “Libyan Arms and Regional Instability,” *International Spectator*, Vol. 49, No. 3, 2014, pp. 54-68
- “‘Tesco for Terrorists’ Reconsidered: Arms and Conflict Dynamics in Libya and in the Sahara-Sahel Region,” (with S. Tholens) *European Journal on Criminal Policy and Research*, 2014 – vol. 20, no. 3 (2014), pp. 343-360.
- “The Informal and the Criminal: State-Building as an Extralegal Field”, *Südosteuropa*, vol. 60, no. 4 (2012), pp. 576-590
- “High Stakes, Low Strategies: the European Union and the Fight against Transnational Organised Crime in State-building Missions,” (with F. Coticchia), *Interdisciplinary Political Studies*, vol. 2, no. 1, 2012, pp. 8-22.
- “Hybrid Economies and Statebuilding: on the Resilience of the Extralegal,” (with B. Kamphuis) *Global Governance*, vol. 18, no. 1, 2012, pp. 57-72.
- “Another Nakba: Weapons Availability and the Transformation of the Palestinian National Struggle, 1987-2007” (with S. Tholens), *International Studies Perspectives*, vol. 11, no. 2, 2010, pp. 112-130.
- “Pan-Albanian vs Trans-Albanian Spaces: The Urban Dimension of the Albanian Question,” *Southeastern Europe*, vol. 33, No. 1, 2009, pp. 77-99.
- “L’Oeuvre au Noir: The Shadow Economy of Kosovo’s Independence,” *International Peacekeeping*, vol. 15, no. 2, 2008, pp. 155-170.
- “Sustainable Peace Between Frozen Conflicts and Messy Aftermaths: Reality and Chimeras,” *Human Security Perspectives*, no. 2, 2008, pp. 45-65.
- “The Decade Horribilis. Organized Violence and Organized Crime along the Balkan Peripheries: 1991-2001,” *Mediterranean Politics*, vol. 12, no. 2, 2007, pp. 185-209.
- “The Sack of Mostar, 1992-1994. The Politico-Military Connection,” (with N. Bjelakovic), *European Security*, vol. 8, 1999, pp. 73-102.

#### open-access research

The implementation of EU Crisis Response in Libya: Bridging theory and practice (with C. Loschi and L. Raineri), EUNPACK

Research report 6.02 – 2018. Available at: [www.eunpack.eu](http://www.eunpack.eu)

Jihadism in Mali and the Sahel: Evolving dynamics and patterns – EU Institute for Security Studies Brief 21, 2017 (with L. Raineri)

Organized crime and fragile states: African variations, EU Institute for Security Studies Brief 8, 2017 (with L. Raineri)

How the EU is facing crises in its neighbourhood: Evidence from Libya and Ukraine, (with K. Ivashchenko-Stadnik; R. Petrov; L. Raineri; P. Rieker; A. Russo. Available at: [www.eunpack.eu](http://www.eunpack.eu)

“Organised crime,” in M. Peter (ed.) UN Peace Operations: Aligning Principles and Practice. A Compendium of Research. NUPI Report no. 2, 2015

Azawad and the rights of passage: the role of illicit trade in the logic of armed group formation in northern Mali. Clingendael/NOREF Research Report, January 2015

The Sahel as Ungoverned Space? Smuggling and Trafficking in a Hybrid Security Order (with Luca Raineri and Greg Shuck). Interim Report for the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office. College Park, MD: START, 2014.

Multi-stakeholder Partnerships for Socio-Economic Development in Post-Conflict Reconstruction (editor, author of Chapter 1). Available at: <http://www.multi-part.eu/>

### multimedia

Francesco Strazzari Discusses European Security. SAGE Knowledge Pub. (2016)

DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.4135/9781473988378>

### recent book chapters

“The Politics of Safe Research in Ungoverned Spaces’ (with A. Russo) in Berit Bliesemann de Guevara and Morten Boas (eds.) *Doing Fieldwork in Areas of International Intervention*, Bristol University Press, forthcoming 2019

“L’azione di governo e la questione migratoria sul fronte mediterraneo e africano,” (with M. Grandi) in (E. Bressanelli, D. Natali) *Politica in Italia 2018*, Bologna: Istituto Cattaneo-il Mulino.

“The shadow of violence and intervention: war as an extralegal deal,” in Simona Leila Talani, Roberto Roccu (eds.), *The Dark Side of Globalisation*, Palgrave, 2019

“Preparing for the Unknown: Fieldwork Preparation and Risk Assessment for Research in Hostile Environments” (with. K. Koehler, S. Lefebvre, D. Masterson), in *SAFEResearch Handbook for Fieldwork in Risky Environment*, forthcoming 2019 (Univ. of Goteborg)

“Present at state (un)making: Understanding organized crime in the Sahel-Sahara region,” (with G. Zanoletti), in F. Allum and S. Gilmour (eds.), *Handbook on organised crime and politics*, Edward Edgar Publishing, 2019.

“Caring, protecting and disciplining: the surveillance of social science researchers in the dangerhood?” (with A. Russo) in Halvard Leira, Nina Graeger (eds.), *The duty of care: protecting citizens abroad*, forthcoming Palgrave 2019

“Il quadro geopolitico internazionale”, in Caritas Italiana (a cura di), *Il peso delle armi. Rapporto di ricerca sui conflitti dimenticati*. Bologna, Il Mulino, 2018, pp. 17-47.

“Between organised crime and terrorism: illicit firearms actors and market dynamics in Italy” (with F. Zampagni). In N. Duquet (ed.), *Triggering Terror: Illicit Gun Markets and Firearms Acquisition of Terrorist Networks in Europe*, Brussels: Flemish Peace Institute, 2018.

“Illicit firearms circulation and the politics of upheaval in North Africa” (with F. Zampagni). In N. Duquet (ed.), *Triggering Terror: Illicit Gun Markets and Firearms Acquisition of Terrorist Networks in Europe*, Brussels: Flemish Peace Institute, 2018

“Foreign Fighters as a Challenge for International Relations Theory,” in A. de Guttery, F. Capone and C. Paulussen (eds.), *Foreign Fighters under International Law and Beyond*, ASSER/Springer Verlag 2015, pp. 49-62.

“Corruption in Post-Conflict Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo” (with R. Belloni) in J. Lindberg and C. Orjuela (eds.), *Corruption in the Aftermath of War*, London: Routledge, 2016, p. 133-149. - ISBN: 978-1138100022

“The Libyan arsenal and trafficking dynamics” (with M. Kartas and R. Tabib), in *Small Arms Survey Yearbook 2015*, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press 2015, pp. 175-176.

“Lo spazio prossimo della guerra”, in Caritas Italiana, *Cibo di Guerra: Quinto rapporto sui conflitti dimenticati*, Bologna, Il Mulino, 19-46, 2015.

“Nationalism and Civil Society Organizations in Post-Independence Kosovo” (with E. Selenica), in Vesna Bojicic-Dzelilovic, James Ker-Lindsay and Denisa Kostovicova (eds.) *Civil Society and Transitions in the Western Balkans*. London,

- Palgrave Macmillan 2013, pp. 117-134.
- “The Phantom Manace: Transnational Organized Crime” (with F. Coticchia), in Paul Stubbs and Christophe Solioz (eds.), *Towards Open Regionalism in the South East Europe*. Baden Baden, Nomos 2012, pp. 147-174.
- “Multi-stakeholder Partnerships in DDR and SALW-Control: Local Ownership, Norms and Human Security” (with S. Tholens), in Michael Brzoska, Hans-Georg Ehrhart, Jens Narten (eds.), *Multistakeholder Security Partnerships. A Critical Assessment with case studies from Afghanistan, the DR of Congo and Kosovo*. Baden Baden, Nomos 2011.
- “Il Kosovo nel quadro politico internazionale” - in Laura Pineschi (ed.), *La questione del Kosovo nella sua dimensione internazionale. Profili storici, economici, politici e giuridici*. Parma, MUP 2011.
- “The Private Security Industry in the Post-War Balkans: a Blank in Security Sector Reform Strategies,” (with S. Tholens), in Giampiero Giacomello and Craig R. Nation (eds.), *Security in the West: Evolution of a Concept*. Milan, Vita e Pensiero (and Cornell Univ. Press) 2009, pp. 134-139.
- “Between ethnic collision and mafia collusion: the Balkan Route to state making.” In Dietrich Jung, *Shadow Globalization, Ethnic Conflicts and New Wars. A Political Economy of Intra-state Wars*. London, Routledge 2003.

### research projects

- 2020-22. Horizon 2020, PREVEX - Preventing Violent Extremism in the Balkans and the MENA Region (WP coordinator)
2020. WEPPS - Enhancing Women’s Participation in Peace and Security’ (Italian MFA DPS 2019, Principal investigator)
- 2018-21. FRAGVENT- Fragile states and violent entrepreneurs: conflict, climate, refugee (Norwegian Research Council) co-proponent and researcher
- 2018-19. H2020, MSCA-IF-2016 (Marie Skłodowska-Curie Action): “Non-Western Military Interventions and the Character of Warfare in the European Periphery” (referent for host institution, SSSA)
2017. African Futures (scientific co-coordinator, with Valerie Arnaud) EU Institute for Security Studies)
- 2017-18. Pan-African Index of Transnational Organised Crime - Measuring the Scope and Scale of Organised Crime – (Global Initiative against Organised Crime (ENACT)
- 2016–18. Horizon 2020 EUNPACK: Good intentions, mixed results – A conflict sensitive unpacking of the EU comprehensive approach to conflict and crisis mechanism (WP coordinator: crisis management in EU neighbourhood - Libya and Ukraine).
2017. SAFTE. Studying the acquisition of illicit arms by terrorists in Europe (DG Home): co-proponent and researcher (best ‘international Counter Terror Project’ at the annual Counter Terror Awards 2019, London)
- 2016-17. New threats in the Sahara-Sahel region (MoD Norway): co-proponent and researcher
- 2015-17. DOC:PRO: The duty of care: protecting foreign nationals abroad – SAMRISK II NRC: co-proponent and researcher
- 2014-15. “The Sahel: the geopolitics of conflict, collusion and collaboration’ (MoD Norway): co-proponent and researcher
- 2013-15. “The Italian Foreign Policy Facing New Challenges in the International System: Actors, Institutions and Policies – PRIN: Coordinator of research unit on unconventional threats.
- 2010-12. DG-Justice funded project ‘New Methodological Tools for Policy Evaluation’ (Europe’s narcotics market and criminal enterprises: drug policy evaluation).
- 2010-13. Jean Monnet Module “Debating European Security” (Coordinator)
2012. European Development and Security School (ESDAS) - Erasmus Intensive Program (Coordinator)
- 2009-11. – Soft Security Spring School (SSSS), Erasmus intensive program (Coordinator)
- 2008-10. FP7 Collaborative Project MULTIPART (Multi Stake-Holder Partnership in Post-Conflict Reconstruction: The Role of the European Union) WP coordinator: post-conflict development

### teaching, coordination, supervision

- 2017- to date. Coordinator, *MSc in Security Studies* (MISS). SSSA and University of Trento

- 2017-19. CREATES (Creating Responsive, Engaged and Tailored Education with Students (Erasmus + Strategic Partnership). Coordinator for SSSA.
- 2015-2017. coordinator (IR track) - PhD program PEI: Political Science, European Politics and International Relations, jointly offered by SSSA and the universities of Siena, Pisa and Florence
- 2011-13. Coordinator, Integrated Graduate Program International Studies and Transnational Governance Master program jointly promoted by SSSA and Università di Trento.

◆ Undergraduate

- 2019-20. Organised crime and terrorism. SSSA Pisa
- 2018-19. Theorising IR. SSA Pisa
- 2017-18. Lo studio della violenza politica. SSSA Pisa
- 2016-17. La guerra nell'era dell'informazione. SSSA Pisa
- 2015-16. State fragility e ordini regionali. SSSA Pisa
- 2014-15. Studi strategici e di sicurezza. SSSA Pisa
- 2012-13. Criminalità organizzata e sistemi politici. SSSA Pisa
- 2011-12. 2009-10 - Teorie delle Relazioni Internazionali. SSSA Pisa
- 2010-11. Egemonia e contro-egemonia nell'ordine internazionale. SSSA Pisa
- 2008-09. Guerre e paci nella teoria delle Relazioni Internazionali. SSSA Pisa
- 2004-05. Storia e Istituzioni dei Paesi dell'Europa Orientale. Università di Bologna
- 2003-05 (yearly). Conflict Analysis. Università di Bologna
- 2003-04. Interventi internazionali. Università di Bologna
- 2002-03. Modern Italian History. Dickinson College in Bologna
- 2002-03. Teoria delle Relazioni Internazionali. Università di Bologna.

◆ Graduate

- 2018-19/2019-20. The (geo)politics of organised crime. SAIS Europe, The Johns Hopkins University
- 2016-19 (yearly). Security Studies: Concepts and Methods. Univ. di Trento and SSSA Pisa
- 2015-16. Geopolitics vs. governance. Università di Trento and SSSA Pisa
- 2012-13. Transnational governance, Università di Trento and SSSA Pisa
- 2009-2012 (yearly). Introduction to Conflict Management. SAIS Europe - The Johns Hopkins University, Bologna Center.
- 2008-2017 (yearly). Shadow Globalization: Sector illecito global. Università di Bologna sede di Buenos Aires.
- 2006-2009 (yearly). International Relations Theory. Universiteit van Amsterdam.
- 2007-2009 (yearly). International Security (Thesis Research Seminar) Universiteit van Amsterdam.
- 2006-2009 (yearly). Geopolitics of European Peripheries. Universiteit van Amsterdam.
- 2006-2009 (yearly). Organized crime and the challenge of post-conflict reconstruction. NYU Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, ISHSS, Universiteit van Amsterdam.
2007. Contemporary Forms of Organized Crime, ISUM (International Summer University of Macedonia) – Bitola.
- 2006-07. Research Design in the Social Sciences. Universiteit van Amsterdam.
2006. Studi strategici e di sicurezza. Università di Bologna
2006. War and Strategic Studies. Universiteit van Amsterdam.
- 2001-2005 - Le politiche di sicurezza dell'Unione Europea. Università di Bologna sede di Buenos Aires
- 2001-09 (yearly). La UE e la stabilizzazione del Sud Est Europa. Università di Bologna.

◆ PhD

- 2018-19/2019-20. IR theories. PhD in Transnational governance, SSSA/Scuola Normale Superiore
- 2015-18 (yearly). IR theories (state of the art + advanced seminar). PEI/SSSA Pisa
- 2017-18. Cyprus Course on Peace and Conflict (PRIO Doctoral Research School)
- 2015-18 (yearly). Qualitative Research Methods. PEI/SSSA Pisa
- 2014-15. Critical geopolitics. SSSA Pisa
- 2009-2011 (yearly). Qualitative methods. SSSA Pisa

2011-12. State formation and state-building. SSSA Pisa  
2010-11. Dilemmas in post-conflict development. SSSA Pisa  
2009-10. Wars and 'New Wars' Political Economies. SSSA Pisa  
2008-09. Introduction to Security and Strategic Studies. SSSA Pisa

### **academic supervision and mentoring**

PhD supervision in IR subfields: war, conflict and peace studies, critical security studies, political economy. 15 supervisees since 2008 (8 in 2019)

MSc, MA, Research Master thesis supervision (Univ of Amsterdam, Univ of Bologna, SAIS-The Johns Hopkins Univ., Univ of Oslo).

Undergraduate student supervision and tutoring (Univ. of Bologna, Dickinson College, SSSA Pisa: average 4 students/year)

### **Visiting fellowships**

- 2003. Ralph Bunche Institute for International Affairs, CUNY, NY, Visiting fellow.
- 1998. WEU Institute for Security Studies, Paris, Research fellowship.
- 1998 and 2000. COPRI, Copenhagen Peace Research Institute: Visiting researcher.

**Reviewer for** International Crisis Group, Security Dialogue, International Peacekeeping, Journal of International Relations and Development, Problems of Post-Communism, European Journal on Criminal Policy and Research, European Review of Organized Crime, Global Labour Journal, Extractive Industry and Society, International IDEA, Routledge, Fritz-Thyssen Foundation.

Journal scientific committees - Journal of International Relations and Development, European Review of Organized Crime, Relaciones Internacionales, Interdisciplinary Political Studies (IDPS), The International Spectator

### **Affiliations**

ECPR Standing Group on Organised Crime (member of the steering committee)  
The Global Initiative for the Fight against Organised Crime  
International Consortium for Geopolitical Studies of the Sahel  
Associazione di cultura e politica il Mulino (University Press)  
School of Transnational Governance – Peace and Security expert group (EUI – Firenze)  
C-REX – Center for Research on Extremism (Oslo - Norway)  
Consortium for Research on International Crime and Terrorism (Oslo - Norway)  
EISA - European International Studies Association  
SISP – Società Italiana Scienza Politica

### **Media & social media**

- 2013-to date: commentary for public channel Rainews24. Interviews, analysis, commentary in and for Italian and international media: armed conflicts and security dynamics in Africa, Middle East, Europe
- Editor of the academic blog Security Praxis (security-praxis.eu): 600 page views/average per post
- Articles, op-eds and analysis (1999 to date) in Il Mulino, Limes, Aspenia, Pagina 99, il Manifesto.

### **Languages**

English - fluent  
French - fluent  
Spanish - fluent  
Dutch – lower intermediate  
Norwegian - beginner  
Italian - mothertongue