

Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum

Lucia Masotti is Associate Professor at the University of Verona. In 2018, she obtained her qualification for full professorship in the 11/B1 competitive examination sector.

She is a lecturer of courses in the geography field within the Humanities Programme. She sits on the Steering Committee of Laboratori Integrati (Integrated Workshops), head of the Laboratorio di cartografia of the Department of Cultures and Civilizations.

She is a member of Doctoral Schools in Italy and abroad (Università Ca' Foscari, Venezia, Italy; Univeristà La Sapienza, Roma, Italy; Universidad pedagógica y tecnológica de Colombia - UPTC, Bogotá, Colombia)

Education and training

She pursued her education in international environments. After graduating with honours in Modern Humanities from the University of Bologna, Lucia Masotti continued her higher education in Geography. She archived her PHD in 'Environmental quality and regional economic development' at the Department of Economics of the University of Bologna and, as a joint doctoral programme, the title of "Docteur in Lettres et Sciences Humaines" at the Dépt. de Géographie, École Doctorale Économie, Organisations, Société dell'Université Paris X-Nanterre, with the doctoral thesis 'Foreigners in urban spaces. A comparative study on Jewish minorities in Italy and France. Relations, dwelling and evidence in urban environments. [Etude comparative des étrangers dans l'espace urbain: les minorités juives en Italie et en France. Réseaux sociaux, modalités d'installation, témoignages sur le paysage urbain.]'.

This is early evidence of the centrality, in her research, of the cultural and material outcomes of tension-generating relations, as observable in time with comparative study of iconographic and narrative documentary sources.

Her education highlights include programmes at Ecole des Hautes Etudes of Paris (France, a.y. 2002-2003), Universidad de Salamanca (Spain, a.y 1990-1991).

Later, she had research and visiting professor assignments at the University of Chicago (Illinois, 2009); Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Israel, 2011); Universidad Nacional (Colombia): Bogotá center (2013, 2022), La Paz center (2022); UPTC, Bogotá center (Colombia, 2022)

Expertise and research scope

Her strictly scientific activity goes along three directions within which studies and research are performed with a comparative and interdisciplinary approach, working on theoretical-methodological aspects and related application, her fourth field:

- Historical geography, to reconstruct natural and man-made processes that defined the arrangement, value potential and vulnerabilities of the present landscapes

- Cultural and cultural heritage geography, with research aimed at identity and economic value potential of traces of past man-made processes on territories
- History of Cartography, focusing on training and production settings, as well as on research, protection and public enhancement of geohistorical sources
- Applied research for fact-finding systems supporting decision-making (DSS) for managing and mitigating cultural and environmental risks

The studies of Jewish vestiges in Italy and France were awarded in Italy and abroad.

Scientific responsibilities and directorships

2023- to date Head of Inter-University Study Centre *Fontes. Studi, Ricerche e Strumenti per la conoscenza e la valorizzazione di identità e territori*

2022- to date Head of book series *Fontes. Studi e ricerche interdisciplinari*

2021- to date PI – National Head of *Fontes: Geohistorical sources and information systems for the knowledge and management of environmental and cultural risks* – PRIN 2020

2018- to date Head of *Historical-geographical and archeological survey on detention basins, as identified by Regional Decree no. 989 of 5/7/2011*, founded by the Veneto Region for a geocartography study contributing to preliminary knowledge to plan hydrogeological risk mitigation works

2018-2019. Co-directorship with M. Gasperoni (Centre Roland Mousnier/Université Paris I-Sorbonne) of the ‘Un atlas géomatique et multimédia de la présence juive en Europe du Sud (XVe-XIXe s.)’ international project

2020 Joint principal investigator under the following agreements for geographical cultural and applicative research between the Cu.Ci. Dept. and University of Parma, for historical-geographical and architectural investigation, to enhance and protect documentary, architectural and iconographic findings

2020 Universidad pedagógica y tecnológica de Colombia, for international scale geographical research on and membership in the ‘Space and diversity: settings, representations and interpretation traditions’

2019 Parma State Archive, for studies on the environment, regions and communities living therein, based on documentary, cartographic and iconographic evidence held by the ASPR.

2015 Universidad Nacional de Colombia to create the ‘Space and diversity: settings, representations and interpretation traditions’ international network

2013-2019 Head of the Relations with Foreign Entities of the Steering Committee of CISGE - Italian Center for Historical-Geographical Studies

2008-2011 She coordinated the joint team of University of Bologna and AIPo (Interregional Agency for the Po River), in the projects:

- ‘Cartographers and cartography in Western Emilia’ (2007)
- ‘River cartography for Territorial Planning’ (2008-2009)

- ‘Sailing the Po River. Cultures and landscapes in historical cartography’ (2010-2011)
2008. She designed and organized the “Landscape of experts” historical cartography and GIS maps exhibition. Cremona, Musei Civici
2008. She designed and organized the ‘Maps and boundaries’ photographic exhibition for the ‘River, city, environment’ permanent section of the Cremona Natural History Museum
1999. She directed the refitting of the Museo Ebraico Fausto Levi di Soragna (PR)

WITH FUNDING FROM COMPETITIVE PROCEDURES

- 2023; 2022; 2019; 2015; 2013. University funds for internationalization and teachers mobility enhancement (CooperInt selection competitive procedure, University of Verona)
- 2021- ministerial funding PRIN (2020) *Fontes: Geohistorical sources and information systems for the knowledge and management of environmental and cultural risks*
2009. ‘Marco Polo Project’ (University of Bologna) funds for research at the Chicago University.
- 2000-2002. CNR - Project 2000 for ‘Unstudied heritage: Hebrew manuscripts and parchments at archives and libraries in some Italian regions. Search for material, cataloguing and digitalization of inventories’

PARTICIPATION IN SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES

- 2020, 28 January. ‘Role and prospects of geocartography sources in risk management’ study day ending the PRIN-Environmental Risk Mitigation: geo-historical interpretations and regional governance, University of Verona.
- 2018, 2-3 July. ‘Un atlas géomatique et multimédia de la présence juive en Europe du Sud (XVe-XIXe s.)’ International workshop - CNRS / Centre Roland Mousnier,
2018. Comité scientifique Session ‘SS11-Une histoire comparée de la marginalisation sociale et spatiale des minorités en Europe et en Méditerranée (15e - 19e s.)’, Roma, 14th International Conference on Urban History.
- 2018, 24-26 May. ‘Broken territories. Causes and consequence of demographic growth and inland areas in Italy from Unification to this day’, Siena.
- 2017, 7 September. 2nd ‘Geoprogress Global Forum International Conference on Sustainability and Energy Issues’, Brussels, Veneto Region HQ.
- 2015-2016. Veneto Region Landscape Observatory course ‘Agricultural landscape between obsolescence and degradation. Reclamation and enhancement actions’ (a.y. 2015-2016). In this capacity, she was invited to participate, as hearer, in the Regional Observatory on Veneto Landscapes meetings (2019-2020).
- 2016, 26 May. ‘On the Hebrew Manuscripts Collection of the Palatina Library’ International Seminar, Parma, Palatina Library.

2015. Member of the Committee of Reviewers of 'Cuadernos de Geografía', the journal of the Departamento de Geografía of the Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá center.

2015 to date. Scientific committee of the CISGE 'Geostorie' journal.

2014, 21-22 Oct. International workshop 'Diferencias, representaciones y producción del espacio urbano: perspectivas latinoamericanas', University of Verona.

2014, 15 June. 'Hebraica Parmensia. From Many Places and Times: Fragments of Recovered Memory', organized by the University of Milan and the Jewish National and University Library of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Parma, Palatina Library.

2008, April 3-4 International meeting 'The landscape of experts. Topicality of historical cartography for water governance', organized by the University of Bologna and AIPo, Bologna – Cremona.

PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH GROUPS

2017. AGEI - Geographies per la Society, directed by C. Cerreti

2016. AGEI - Cartography history and historical Cartography, directed by A. Guarducci

2015-2020. PRIN 'Environmental risk mitigation: geo-historical interpretation and regional governance', national coordinator C. Cerreti.

2000 to date Research group for finding and studying animal membrane fragments in Hebrew in Italian archives, directed by M. L. Modena Mayer, University of Milano, in cooperation with the Jewish National and University Library of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

2005-2007. PRIN 'Cartography and Landscape' for PRIN 2005 co-funding, national coordinator C. Cerreti, La Sapienza University.

2004-2005. PRIN 'DISCI Studies and Research for a Historical Dictionary of Italian Cartographers', national coordinator I. Caraci.

2003-2005. 'Laboratoire Mosaïques: Mutations et Organisations Spatiales: Approches Internationales comparées des Questions Urbaines et de leur Enjeux Socio-spatiaux /LOUEST-UMR 7145'.

PUBLICATIONS

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