

Mapping and Translating Spaces, Cultures and Languages Experiences Connected to Empires and Missions (1500-1700)

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

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PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 10 July 2024 - CNR ISEM, c/o INSR

9:30 Welcome coffee

10:00 - Greetings and Introduction

Gaetano Platania (Istituto Nazionale di Studi Romani), Gaetano Sabatini (Università Roma Tre, CNR ISEM)

Angelo Cattaneo (CNR ISEM), Simone Celani (Sapienza Università di Roma), *Introduction*

10:45 - When and How Europeans Learned Chinese

Chair: Paolo De Troia (Sapienza Università di Roma)

Federico Masini (Sapienza Università di Roma), *When, where, and why did Westerners begin to study the Chinese language?*

Otto Zwartjes (Université Paris-Cité/ HTL), *Language choices and communicative settings in a missionary context. How to learn and teach Chinese, with particular focus on 17th century Spanish missionaries and the Portuguese connection*

Emanuele Raini (Università di Napoli "L'Orientale"), *Tailoring new dresses by sewing letters: the Romanization of Chinese language as a process of cultural translation*

13:00 Lunch break

14:30 - Mapping as Translation

Chair: Angelo Cattaneo (CNR ISEM)

Marco Caboara (The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology), *Mapping China for the Western World, Mapping the Western World for China in the First Iberian Globalization: three late 16th century visualizations of China, East Asia and the Transpacific mediated by Iberian agents*

Francesco Calzolaio (Society of Fellows in the Humanities, The University of Hong Kong) and Giancarlo Casale (European University Institute), *Describing China between Latin and Turkish: A Ottoman Translation of Martino Martini's Chinese Atlas*

16:00 Coffee break

16:30 - Mapping as Translation (continued)

Chair: Marco Caboara (The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology)

Roderich Ptak (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, München), *Questions Related to Malay, Chinese and Portuguese Names of Selected Islands along the Sailing Corridor from Johor to Macau (15th to 17th Centuries)*

Paolo De Troia (Sapienza Università di Roma), *Overlapping of geographical descriptions in Sino-Jesuit atlases: some remarks about an analytical glossary of toponyms in Chinese missionary works in 17th century*

Davor Antonucci (Sapienza Università di Roma), *"Tartaros autem voco gentem illam...": the diachronic evolution of a misunderstood term*

Thursday, 11 July 2024 - CNR ISEM, c/o INSR

9:30 - Jesuit Translational and Linguistic Strategies

Chair: Karen Bennett (Universidade Nova de Lisboa)

Camilla Russell (ARSI), *Deciphering Early Modern Worlds: What Do Jesuit Sources Offer?*

Linda Zampol D'Ortia (Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia), *Translating Emotions in the Jesuit Mission of Japan: Spaces, Objects, Practices*

Martina Schrader-Kniffki (Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz), *Linking sounds, writing and texts. Translation processes in the standardization of Konkani by Jesuit missionaries in Goa, India (16th-17th century)*

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 - Roundtable: Missionary Archives and Linguistic-Cultural Interactions

Chairs: Angelo Cattaneo, Simone Celani, Camilla Russell

Participants: Mario Alfarano, O.Carm., e Simona Serci (Archivio Generale Ordine Carmelitano); Flavio Belluomini (Archivio Storico 'de Propaganda Fide'); Angelo Lanfranchi, OCD, e Axel Alt (Archivio Generale, Ordine dei Carmelitani Scalzi); Festo Mkenda, S.J. (Archivum Romanum Societatis Iesu); Patrizia Morelli (Archivio Ordine Frati Minori Cappuccini); Andrés Gómez Roza, O.S.A (Ordine di Sant'Agostino)

Discussant: Francesco Borghesi (Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia/University of Sydney), Massimo Carlo Giannini (Università di Teramo, Universidad Complutense, Madrid)

13:30 - Lunch break

14:30 - Jesuit Translational and Linguistic Strategies (continued)

Chair: Flavio Rurale (Università di Udine)

María Alejandra Regúnaga (Universidad del Sur), *Early ethno-linguistic contacts between missionaries and indigenous communities of Patagonia in Father Mascardi's 1670 letter*

Ramón Ojeda Corzo (Universidad Complutense de Madrid), *Rebuilding Ethiopia between Portuguese India and Europe: the scriptural and material strategies of the Jesuit Procurator Jerónimo Lobo*

Carlo Pelliccia (Istituto di storia dell'Europa mediterranea – CNR, Università degli Studi Internazionali di Roma), «*Losing God in Translation?*» *A Jesuit Sociolinguistic Debate in East and Southeast Asia (16th-17th Centuries)*

16:00 - Coffee break

16:30 - Translating Faith by Translating the Creed

Chair: Camilla Russell (ARSI)

Antonio Gerace (Università di Bologna, KU Leuven), *The Apostles' Creed Atlas: a New Digital Tool for Early Modern Historians*

Valentina Bottanelli (University of Modena e Reggio, FSCIRE, Bologna), *Across Empires of Faith: Chinese Catechisms and Religious Exchange between China, Spanish Philippines, and Dutch Batavia*

Roxana Sarion (Universidad Autònoma de Barcelona), *Matías Ruiz Blanco's Translation of Carib. Practices and Traditions in his Conversion de Piritv de indios cvmanagotos, palenqves, y otros (1690)*

20:30 - Social Dinner for Presenters, Chairs and Discussants

Friday, 12 July 2024 - Sapienza Università di Roma - Facoltà di Lettere e Filosofia - Aula di Archeologia

9:30 - *Línguas gerais*, Pidgin, Creoles, Translations

Chair: Simone Celani (Sapienza Università di Roma)

Karen Bennett (NOVA University of Lisbon, CETAPS), *The reconceptualization of translation in the Early Modern period*

Hugo C. Cardoso (Universidade de Lisboa), *Multilingualism, stratification and convergence: the linguistic reality of the Asian-Portuguese communities*

Gian Luigi De Rosa (Università Roma Tre), *General Languages and Discursive Spaces in Colonial Brazil*

Miguel Ángel Esparza Torres, Víctor F. Acevedo López, Cristina Herranza Llácer (Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid). *From the Bibliografía de la lingüística misionera española to Interactive Maps: A Visual History*

11:30 - Coffee break

12:00 - Africa

Chair: Mario Casari (Sapienza Università di Roma)

Francesco Zappa (Sapienza Università di Roma), *A parallel (and partly overlapping) contact zone: "Islamic languages" in Africa and beyond*

Moufoutaou Adjeran (Université d'Abomey-Calavi), *Portuguese Substrates in Fon, a Language of Southern Benin*

Francesco Genovesi (CLEPUL, Universidade de Lisboa), *The Lexicon of Faith: Portuguese Language and Religious Practice Inside and Outside the Lusophone Atlantic Space*

13:30 - Lunch break

15:00 - Material Culture as Translation

Chair: Francesco Genovesi (CLEPUL, Universidade de Lisboa)

James W. Nelson Novoa (Universidad Complutense de Madrid/University of Ottawa), *Mapping and Translating India in the Papal guardaroba 1572-1667*

Zhongyuan (Cindy) Hu (KU Leuven), *The Delight Appeal: Pineapple's Expedition during the 17th and 18th Centuries*

Martha Lucía Pulido Correa (Universidad de Antioquia, Medellín), *A change of perspective of Colonial Brazil with Anthony Knivet's chronicles (1560-1649)*

16:45 - Roundtable on Future Projects

Chair: Angelo Cattaneo, Simone Celani

Guia Boni (Università di Napoli L'Orientale), Francesco Borghesi (Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia/University of Sydney), Maria Serena Felici (Università degli Studi Internazionali di Roma - UNINT), Camila Russell (ARSI), Gaetano Sabatini (Università Roma Tre/CNR ISEM)

Further participants to be confirmed soon

17:45 - Final Remarks

18:00 - Farewell Drink

ADDRESSES, LOGISTICS AND PRACTICAL DETAILS

The conference will be held in Rome on 10 and 11 July 2024 at ISEM - Institute of European Mediterranean History of the CNR - National Research Council of Italy (c/o Istituto Nazionale di Studi Romani) and on 12 July 2024 in the Department of European, American and Intercultural Studies at Sapienza University of Rome.

The programme is available online at:

<https://sites.google.com/uniroma1.it/mapping-translating-prin22-cnr/events?authuser=0>

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There are no registration and participation fees. The official language of the conference is English.

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