

## PROF. LORENZO SINISI

**Role:**

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### *Education and Training:*

- Born in Savona in 1963, he obtained a classical high school degree in 1982 and a law degree in 1988 from the University of Genoa, discussing a thesis in History of Italian law entitled: “Crime in Savona at the end of the 18th century”, supervisor Prof. Vito Piergiovanni.
- Winner of a PhD scholarship in History of Law, Institutions and Medieval, Modern and Contemporary Legal Culture (VIII cycle), at the University of Genoa in 1993, in 1996, at the University of Turin, he passed the final exam for the title of PhD with a thesis entitled "Formulari e cultura legale notarial nell'Età moderna: l'esperienza genovese" (Forms and Notarial Legal Culture in the Modern Age: the Genoese Experience) before the national commission.
- In October 1994 he obtained the qualification to practice as a Legal Attorney at the Court of Appeal of Genoa. A member of the Bar Association of Savona, he first practiced law as a solicitor and then as a lawyer until 1999.
- Between 1996 and 1997 he was the winner of an annual scholarship established by the University of Genoa to support the completion of the research activity carried out in the context of the doctorate and then one of the three two-year "post-doctoral" scholarships offered by the University of Genoa for the scientific areas "legal sciences, economic and statistical sciences, political and social sciences".

### *Academic experience:*

- In March 1999 he won a competition for a researcher position in the disciplinary sector N19X, History of Italian Law, announced by the University of Eastern Piedmont “Amedeo Avogadro”,

serving at that University at the Faculty of Law located in Alessandria uninterruptedly until October 2002.

- Confirmed in the role of researchers, in September 2002 he reported suitability to fill a position as associate professor in the comparative evaluation announced by the University of Milan for the disciplinary sector IUS19, being then called in November of the same year by the Faculty of Law of the University “Magna Graecia” of Catanzaro as Associate Professor of History of Medieval and Modern Law, a role in which he served at the same Faculty until July 2006.

- Having successfully passed the confirmation judgment as associate professor, in April 2002 he was appointed associate professor. 2005 reported suitability to hold a position as full professor (role of full professors) following the comparative evaluation procedure announced for the scientific-disciplinary sector IUS19 by the University of Verona.

- In service since August 1, 2006 as Associate Professor of History of Medieval and Modern Law at the Faculty of Law of the University "Magna Graecia" of Catanzaro, after having reported a positive evaluation in the confirmation judgment, from August 2009 to October 2020 he was Full Professor of History of Medieval and Modern Law at the Faculty of Law and then at the "Department of Legal, Historical, Economic and Social Sciences" (subsequently called "Department of Law, Economics and Sociology") of the University "Magna Graecia" of Catanzaro.

- Winning result in the selection procedure announced by the University of Genoa for the coverage, through a call pursuant to art. 18 comma 1 of L. 240/2010, of a position of full professor for the scientific disciplinary sector IUS/19, History of medieval and modern law”, since 1 November 2020 he is serving as full professor at the Department of Law of the University of Genoa.

### ***Educational activity:***

- He has held courses by assignment and by contract at the University of Genoa, both at the headquarters and in the decentralized hub of Imperia, of historical-legal subjects as well as Canon Law (academic year 2005-2006; 2006-2007; 2007-2008) and Institutions of Canon and Ecclesiastical Law (academic year 2009-2010; 2010-2011; 2011-2012).

- He held by contract (academic year 2015-2016) at the Free International University of Social Studies “Guido Carli” – LUISS in Rome the course of History of Law (channel C);

- By ownership and assignment he taught at the University “Magna Graecia” of Catanzaro from the academic year 2002-2003 to the academic year 2019-2020, both at the headquarters and at the teaching center of Commenda di Rende (CS), various historical-legal subjects; from the academic year 2020-2021 he teaches at the University of Genoa, both at the headquarters and at the decentralized center of La Spezia, for ownership of History of Medieval and Modern Law and for the assignment of other historical-legal courses in addition to the course of Institutions of Canon and Ecclesiastical Law, already assigned to him in the past.

### ***Various academic activities:***

- Speaker at numerous scientific conferences and seminars in Italy and abroad, he has carried out research activities, as well as in Italian archives and libraries and in the Vatican City State, in England (Oxford and Cambridge), Spain (Toledo), Portugal (Coimbra), France (Paris and Nice) and Germany (Frankfurt am Main and Munich).
- from 2013 to 2020 he was President of the Joint Commission of teachers-students at the Department of Law, Economics and Sociology of the University "Magna Graecia" of Catanzaro, from 2019 to 2021 he held the role of director of the Research Center "Laboratory of legal and economic history", established at the DiGES of the University "Magna Graecia" of Catanzaro. Former member of the Board of Teachers of the PhD program in "Theory of Law and European Legal and Economic Order" established at the UMG of Catanzaro in which he was the curriculum coordinator until the Academic Year 2023-24, he is actually a member of the Board of Teachers of the PhD program in "Sistemi giuridici e dimensione europea", also established at the UMG of Catanzaro.
- elected in 2016 as a member of the Board of the SISD - Italian Society of History of Law, he was confirmed for another three-year term in this position in October 2019, completing his term in 2022.
- on 19 December 2023 he was appointed by MUR Directorial Decree no. 2253 as a member of the Commission for National Scientific Qualification (ASN 2023-2025) to the first and second band of university professors for the competitive sector 12/Giur-16 History of Medieval and Modern Law, a position extended until 17 August 2026.
- in addition to the SISD, Italian Society of Legal History, he is a member of the ASDIMM, Association of Historians of Medieval and Modern Law, based in Rome, of the Ligurian Society of National History based in Genoa, of the "Iuris Canonici Medii Aevii Consociatio" - ICMAC with registered office at the University of Zurich (CH) and connected with the Institute of Medieval Canon Law – IMCL (Berkeley, California, USA and Munich (D), of the Société d'Histoire du Droit based at the Université Panthéon-Assas Paris II, Paris (F), and of ADEC, Associazione dei docenti universitari della disciplina giuridica del fenomeno religioso.

### ***Research interests:***

History of Canon Law in the post-Tridentine era, History of notaries and notarial literature, history of justice and trial from the late Middle Ages to the Restoration, history of the Bar and legal professions in general

### ***Publishing activity:***

- Author of over one hundred scientific publications, he is a member of the management committees and scientific committees of various journals and series in the historical-legal sector.

Among his main publications: - L. Sinisi, *Formulari e cultura giuridica nell'Età moderna. L'esperienza genovese*, Milano, Giuffrè, 1997; L. Sinisi, *Giustizia e giurisprudenza nell'Italia preunitaria. Il Senato di Genova*, Milano, Giuffrè, 2002; L. Sinisi, *Oltre il Corpus iuris canonici. iniziative manualistiche e progetti di nuove compilazioni in età post-tridentina*, Soveria Mannelli, Rubbettino, 2009; L. Sinisi, *Alle origini del Notariato latino: la Summa Rolandina come modello di formulario notarile*, in: G. Tamba, a cura di, *Rolandino e l'Ars Notaria da Bologna all'Europa*, Milano, Giuffrè, 2002, pp. 165-233; L. Sinisi, *The application of the Code civil in the Duchy of Genoa (1815-1837)*, in B. Doelemeyer, H. Mohnhaupt, A. Somma, *Richterliche Anwendung des Code civil in seinem europäischen Geltungsbereichen ausserhalb Frankreichs*, Frankfurt am Main, Klostermann, 2006, pp. 395-412; L. Sinisi, "Judicis oculus". *Il notaio di tribunale nella dottrina e nella prassi di diritto comune*, in V. Piergiovanni, a cura di, "Hinc publica fides". *Il notaio e l'amministrazione della giustizia*, Milano, Giuffrè, 2006, pp. 217-240; L. Sinisi, *Le imprudenze di un grande canonista della prima metà del Seicento. Agostinho Barbosa e la Congregazione dell'Indice*, in *Itinerari in comune. Ricerche di storia del diritto per Vito Piergiovanni*, Milano, Giuffrè, 2011, pp. 307-386; L. Sinisi, a cura di, *Le leggi notarili. Dagli stati preunitari al Regno d'Italia (1805-1879)*, Padova-Torino, CEDAM-UTET, 2011; L. Sinisi, *Aspetti della giustizia criminale nei Ducati di Parma e Piacenza dall'edificazione dello Stato farnesiano alla fine dell'Antico Regime*, in *La giustizia criminale nell'Italia moderna (XVI-XVIII sec.)*, Bologna, Pàtron, 2012, pp. 213-230; 403-408; L. Sinisi, *Un giurista calabrese nella Napoli del Settecento fra Giansenismo, Illuminismo e Giurisdizionalismo: brevi note su Domenico Cavallari e la fortuna delle sue opere*, in A. Scerbo, a cura di, *Diritto ed economia nella Calabria moderna*, Milano, Giuffrè, 2014, pp. 45-75; L. Sinisi, *The commentaries on the Tridentine Decrees in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries: the first remarks on a category of "prohibited" works*, in "Bulletin of medieval canon law, vol. 33, 2016, pp. 209-228; L. Sinisi, *Prima del Codex pio-benedettino. Il diritto canonico della Chiesa tridentina fra chiusura ed integrazione del Corpus iuris canonici*, in "Ephemerides iuris canonici", vol. 57, 2017, pp. 525-565; L. Sinisi, *Il "martello de' vescovi"? Prime note sulla Giunta Ecclesiastica della Repubblica di Genova (1638-1797)*, in *Giurisdizionalismi. Le politiche ecclesiastiche negli Stati minori della penisola italiana in età moderna*, a cura di D. Edigati, E. Tavilla, Roma, Aracne, 2018, pp. 97-123; L. Sinisi, *Robert Bellarmine (1542-1621)*, in O. Condorelli – R. Domingo, edd., *Law and Christian Tradition in Italy. The Legacy of the Great Jurists*, London-New York, Routledge, 2020, pp. 266-280; L. Sinisi, «Pro tota iuris decretalium ulteriore evolutione»; *le declarationes della Congregazione del Concilio e le loro raccolte dei secoli XVI secolo fra divieti e diffusione*, in "Historia et ius", 18/2020, pp. 1-40; L. Sinisi, «Nulli sacerdotum liceat canones ignorare». *Brevi annotazioni storico-giuridiche sul ruolo del diritto nella formazione del clero latino fra tardo Medioevo e prima Età moderna*, in "Archivio Giuridico", a. CLIV, fasc. 1. 2022, pp. 11-40; L. Sinisi, «Discepolo e maestro di sé medesimo». *S. Roberto Bellarmino e il diritto canonico*, in *La parola non si ferma mai. Studi per mons. Antonio Cantisani*, a cura di L.M. Guzzo e A. Scerbo, Napoli, Esi, 2024, t. II, pp. 569-598.

