

MATTEO BARBANO

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## CURRENT POSITION

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**From 01/01/2024 to 31/12/2025, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral fellow at the University of Genova**  
Project: *MedMaD: Mediterranean Mass Mobilities and Displacements in the Age of Steam (1869-1914)* (MSCA n° 101106667)

**Affiliated Researcher (IMS/FORTH, Institute for Mediterranean Studies/Foundation for Research and Technology – HELLAS)**

## PREVIOUS POSITIONS

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**01/01/2023-30/06/2023, Postdoctoral researcher at the Institute for Mediterranean Studies/Foundation for Research and Technology – HELLAS**

**01/03/2022-30/06/2022, Postdoctoral researcher at the Institute for Mediterranean Studies/Foundation for Research and Technology – HELLAS**

Department of Ottoman History, Rethymno, Greece

Project: *JANET: Janissaries in Ottoman Port-Cities: Muslim Financial and Political Networks in the Early Modern Mediterranean* (ERC StG 2019 no. 849911)

Principal Investigator: Dr Yannis Spyropoulos

**01/04/2018-30/09/2021, Postdoctoral researcher at the Institute for Mediterranean Studies/Foundation for Research and Technology – HELLAS**

Centre of Maritime History, Rethymno, Greece

Project: *SeaLiT: Seafaring Lives in Transition. Mediterranean Maritime Labour and Shipping, 1850s-1920s* (ERC StG 2017 no. 714437)

Principal Investigator: Dr Apostolos Delis

## EDUCATION

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**01/01/2013-15/06/2016, Ph.D. in History**, University of Genova, Department of Antiquities, Philosophical and Historical Studies (DAFIST)

**Dissertation Title:** *Within the Straits: gli inglesi, Tangeri e la Barberia (1661-1684)*

**Supervisor:** Prof. Luca Lo Basso

**01/11/2009-15/03/2012, M.A. in Historical, Archival and Library Sciences, with Honours, 110/110 cum laude and recommendation for publication**, University of Genova

Thesis: *“The Genoese treasure” – La presa della San Gaetano e della Nostra Signora di Loreto (1710-1711)*

**01/11/2005-09/06/2009, Bachelor in History, 110/110**, University of Genova

Thesis: *Walter Biggs: nelle Indie Occidentali con Drake*

## AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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**2024-2025, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Postdoctoral fellowship** granted by the European Union/European Commission (for 2 years of postdoctoral research)

**2012-2015, Ph.D. full fellowship** granted by *Ministero dell’Istruzione, dell’Università e della Ricerca*, University of Genova (for 3 years of Ph.D)

## PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL RESEARCH PROJECTS

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**2024-2025, MedMaD: Mediterranean Mass Mobilities and Displacements in the Age of Steam (1869-1914)**, University of Genova, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Postdoctoral fellowship (MSCA n° 101106667) – Position: Postdoctoral researcher

**2022**, *JANET: Janissaries in Ottoman Port-Cities: Muslim Financial and Political Networks in the Early Modern Mediterranean*, Institute for Mediterranean Studies of Rethymno/Foundation for Research and Technology – HELLAS, European Research Council Starting Grant (ERC StG) – Position: Postdoctoral researcher

**2018-2021**, *SeaLiT: Seafaring Lives in Transition. Mediterranean Maritime Labour and Shipping, 1850s-1920s*, Institute for Mediterranean Studies of Rethymno/Foundation for Research and Technology – HELLAS, European Research Council Starting Grant (ERC StG) – Position: Postdoctoral researcher

**2014-2015**, *Traffici illegali nel Mediterraneo: una ricognizione in area italiana (XVI-XVIII secc.)*, University of Genova, Progetto di ricerca di Ateneo (PRA) – Position: Ph.D. student

**2013-2015**, *FrontMed: Mediterranean Maritime borders: what level of permeability? Trades, control and rejections (16th-21st centuries)*, Miur, Futuro in ricerca (FIRB) – Position: Ph.D. student

**2013-2014**, *Navigazione, reti di scambio e strumenti di controllo nel Mediterraneo di antico regime (XVI-XVIII secc.)*, University of Genova, Progetto di ricerca di Ateneo (PRA) – Position: Ph.D. student

## **MEMBERSHIP IN SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES**

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Member of the **organizing committee** of the **Mediterranean Maritime History Network** – MMHN (2018-present)

**European Labour History Network** – ELHN, member of the working group **Maritime Labour History** (2019-present)

Member of the **International Maritime History Association** – IMHA (2019-present)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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### **Books**

*Within the Straits: Tangeri, gli inglesi e il Mediterraneo occidentale nella seconda metà del XVII secolo*, Palermo: Palermo University Press/New Digital Frontiers, 2019

### **Edited Books**

*Living at sea: remunerations, careers and retirements in the age of transition (1850-1920)*, edited with Leonardo Scavino and Luca Lo Basso, Rome: Viella, forthcoming, 2024

*Mediterranean Seafarers in Transition. Maritime Labour, Communities, Shipping and the Challenge of Industrialization 1850s - 1920s*, edited with Apostolos Delis, Jordi Ibarz and Anna Sydorenko, Leiden: Brill, 2022

*Attraverso la Storia - Percorsi mediterranei*, edited with Alessia Castagnino and Emanuela Locci, Noventa Padovana: Bastogi, 2016

### **Articles in journals and edited volumes**

“Under the company’s flag: Austrian seafarers’ careers and remunerations on Lloyd’s steamers between the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries”, in *Living at Sea: remunerations, careers and retirements in the age of transition (1850-1920)*, edited by Matteo Barbano, Leonardo Scavino and Luca Lo Basso, Rome: Viella, forthcoming, 2023

“Ruling the wages: Austrian Lloyd steam navigation company and seafarers’ incomes in the Habsburg empire (1885-1914)”, *The Mariner’s Mirror*, 109:1, January 2023, 81-99

“Steamers for the Empire: Austrian Lloyd and the Transition from Sail to Steam in the Austrian Merchant Marine (1836–1914)”, in *Mediterranean Seafarers in Transition. Maritime Labour, Communities, Shipping and the Challenge of Industrialization 1850s - 1920s*, edited by Apostolos Delis, Jordi Ibarz, Anna Sydorenko and Matteo Barbano, Leiden: Brill, 2022, 447-477

“Chasing the Sally rovers: la Royal Navy e il controllo delle coste marocchine durante il periodo di occupazione inglese di Tangeri (1662-1684)”, in *La polizia nelle strade e nelle acque navigabili dalla sicurezza alla regolazione del traffico*, edited by Livio Antonielli, Soveria Mannelli: Rubettino Editore, 2018, 147-160

“Most thought the City in no security but under Lock and Key: Tangeri, gli inglesi e la frontiera nordafricana (1662-1684)”, in *Isole e frontiere nel Mediterraneo moderno e contemporaneo*, edited by Arturo Gallia, Lavinia Pinzarrone and Gianantonio Scaglione, Palermo: Palermo University Press/New Digital Frontiers, 2017, 35-47

“Armare il nemico. Appunti sul contrabbando: gli inglesi e la Barberia nella seconda metà del XVII secolo”, in *Per vie illegali. Fonti per lo studio dei fenomeni illeciti nel Mediterraneo dell'età moderna (secoli XVI-XVIII)*, edited by Paolo Calcagno, Soveria Mannelli: Rubettino Editore, 2017, 59-72

“A lucrative, dangerous business : le consulat anglais à Alger, Tunis et Tripoli dans la deuxième moitié du XVIIIe siècle”, in *De l'utilité commerciale des consuls. L'institution consulaire et les marchands dans le monde méditerranéen (XVII-XX siècle)*, edited by Arnaud Barolomei, Guillaume Calafat, Mathieu Grenet and Jörg Ulbert, Madrid-Rome: Casa de Velázquez, 2017, 215-224

“La presa della Margareta (1665): la colonia inglese di Tangeri tra corsa, politica e diplomazia”, in *Attraverso la Storia - Percorsi mediterranei*, edited by Matteo Barbano, Alessia Castagnino and Emanuela Locci, Noventa Padovana: Bastogi, 2016, 50-71

“Una guerra discreta: la minaccia ispano-moresca a Tangeri del 1663”, *Mediterranea ricerche storiche*, n° 32, December 2014, 511-524

## **Book Reviews**

Diane Kirkby et al., *Maritime Men of the Asia-Pacific: True-Blue Internationals Navigating Labour Tights, 1906-2006*, Liverpool University Press, 2022, in *The Mariner's Mirror*, 110:1, January 2024

Emiliano Beri, *Genova e La Spezia da Napoleone ai Savoia. Militarizzazione e territorio nella Liguria dell'Ottocento*, Novi Ligure: Città del Silenzio, 2014, in *Mediterranea-ricerche storiche*, n. 37, August 2016

## **CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS**

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### **Invited presentations in internationally established conferences and workshops**

**2024, 24 January – Aix-en-Provence:** *De vagues et de quais. Étudier le monde de la mer au NavLab – Centre de recherche Fernand Braudel et à l'UMR TELEMMe*

Paper: “MedMad: new research perspectives on passenger transport in the wider Mediterranean (1869-1914)”

**2023, 3-5 November – Rethymno:** *3rd International Conference, Insular and Maritime Societies in the Mediterranean, Black and Red Seas (15th-20th c.)*

Paper: “A community in transformation: maritime labour, population and space in Trieste at the turn of the twentieth century”

**2022, 28 June-02 July – Porto:** *8th International Maritime History Association International Congress*

Paper: “An engine for the Empire. The leading role of the Austrian Lloyd in the transition from sail to steam in the Habsburg monarchy”

**2022, June 9-11 – Rethymno:** *Seafaring Lives Bound for Homeport. Seafaring Lives in Transition: Mediterranean Maritime Labour and Transport during Globalization, 1850s-1920s*

Paper: “Under the company's flag: Austrian seafarers' careers and remunerations on Lloyd's steamers between the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries”

**2021, 30 August-3 September – Vienna:** *4th Conference of the European Labour History Network - ELHN*

“Paper: Maritime labour in the age of transition: the Austrian Lloyd, Trieste, and the rise of the steam”

**2019, October 10-11 – Genoa:** *3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop of the ERC Starting Grant 2016 project Seafaring Lives in Transition: Mediterranean Maritime Labour and Transport during Globalization 1850s-1920s*

Paper: “The Austrian Lloyd and the Triestine maritime labour in the age of steam”

**2019, September 18-21 – Amsterdam:** *3<sup>rd</sup> Conference of the European Labour History Network - ELHN*

Paper: “Crime and Class Struggle between Decks: the case of the Austrian Lloyd”

**2018, June 15-16 – Barcelona:** *2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop of the ERC Starting Grant 2016 project Seafaring Lives in Transition: Sources and Resources in the Maritime Labour History of the Mediterranean*

Paper: “Sources for the study of the Austrian Lloyd: research perspectives”

### **Invited presentations in national conferences and seminars**

**2017, June 03 – Imperia:** *L'evoluzione del design navale e la sua rappresentazione, Imperia, Museo Navale Internazionale del Ponente Ligure*

Paper: “Galere fregate: soluzioni mediterranee per la Royal Navy nel secondo Seicento”

**2013, October 17 – Rome:** *Gli sviluppi recenti della storiografia marittima e navale: il contributo del nuovo laboratorio di ricerca dell'Università di Genova (NavLab)*

Paper: “La penetrazione militare inglese nel Mediterraneo a cavallo tra Sei e Settecento”

### **Selected Papers in national and international conferences with call for papers**

**2022, 29 September-1 October – Athens:** *4<sup>th</sup> International Conference in Economic and Social History, Varieties of Capitalism in the Mediterranean (18th-20th c.)*

Paper: “Maritime labour in the age of steam: the case of the Austrian Lloyd”

**2021, June 20-24 – Jerusalem:** *Odessa Cosmopolitanism Modernism – International workshop at the Israel Institute for Advanced Studies (IIAS)*

Paper: “From Trieste to Odessa: the presence of the Austrian Lloyd in the Black Sea during the second half of the nineteenth century”

**2016, November 24-26 – Bologna:** *Attraverso la Storia – Fourth Edition*

Paper: “L'uomo sbagliato nel posto sbagliato: l'evoluzione degli agenti diplomatici britannici in Barberia nel secondo Seicento”

**2015, June 17 – Genoa:** *Per vie illegali. Fonti per lo studio dei fenomeni illeciti nel Mediterraneo dell'età moderna (secoli XVI-XVIII)*

Paper: “Armare il nemico. Gli inglesi e il contrabbando con la Barberia nella seconda metà del XVII secolo”

**2015, May 14-16 – Palermo:** *Itinera: Isole e frontiere nel Mediterraneo moderno e contemporaneo – 3<sup>rd</sup> international seminar*

Paper: “«Most thought the City in no security but under Lock and Key»: Tangeri, gli inglesi e la frontiera nordafricana (1662-1684)”

**2015, March 31, April 1-2 – Portsmouth:** *Social History Society Annual Conference*

Paper: “The pervious border: merchants and adventurers in English Tangier”

**2014, November 27-29 – Abbiategrosso:** *La polizia nelle strade e nelle acque navigabili – International conference*

Paper: Chasing the Sally rovers: la Royal Navy e il controllo delle coste marocchine durante il periodo di occupazione inglese di Tangeri (1662-1684)

**2014, September 2-6 – Lisbon:** *12<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Urban History: Cities in Europe, Cities in the World*

Paper: “Tangier: a prison under the sun (1662-1684)”

**2014, April 10-12 – Nice:** *Colloque international: Les consuls, figures de l'intermédiation marchande en Europe et dans le monde méditerranéen (XVIIe-XIXe siècles)*

Paper: “A lucrative, dangerous business: il consolato inglese ad Algeri, Tunisi e Tripoli nella seconda metà del XVII secolo”

## MENTORING ACTIVITIES

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**2022, April – Genoa:** University of Genova, Seminars for Master Students in Maritime History  
Title: “Il Lloyd Austriaco e l’evoluzione della marina mercantile austriaca tra il XIX e il XX secolo” (3 hours)

**2022, March – Rethymnon:** University of Crete & Institute for Mediterranean Studies (IMS/FORTH), 5<sup>th</sup> Thematic Seminar 2021-2022 between professors, researchers, PhD and master students in Modern and Contemporary History  
Title: “The company’s crewmen. Maritime labour in the age of transition: the case of Austrian Lloyd” (3 hours)

**2020, March-April – Rethymnon:** Institute for Mediterranean Studies (IMS/FORTH), PhD Candidates’ seminars on Maritime History 2019-2020  
Title: “Mediterranean corsairing in the early modern period (16<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> centuries)” (6 hours)

**2019, April – Rethymnon:** Institute for Mediterranean Studies (IMS/FORTH), Internal Seminar Series 2018-2019 between professors, researchers and PhD candidates  
Title: “Mediterranean shipping in transition: the Austrian merchant marine in the long 19<sup>th</sup> century” (3 hours)

**2018, September-2019, February – Rethymnon:** Mentoring of master student Michaela Stavrakaki and Ph.D. student Thanos Aggelopoulos (Training on development of databases built on digital semantic networks for historical research; Research methodologies for modern and contemporary maritime history: reading manuscripts of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries in French and Italian) (80 hours)

## ORGANIZATION/DELIVERY OF SCIENTIFIC DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES FOR NON-SPECIALIZED PUBLIC AND ACTIVITIES OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

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**2018, April – Genoa:** 9<sup>th</sup> edition of La Storia in Piazza, Developer of the workshop “Viva Maria o viva la Libertà?”

**2018, January-March – Genoa:** Diocesan Museum of Genoa, Young Public Engagement Consultant

**2017-2018 – Genoa:** Palazzo Ducale Foundation for Culture, Designer of historical-theatrical activities for high schools and developer of the workshop “Il mestiere dello storico: Genova, l’Europa e il Mondo”

**2017, October-November – Genoa:** 15<sup>th</sup> edition of Festival della Scienza

- Lecture: “Un elefante per lo Shōgun. Nagasaki: la porta dei Tokugawa sul mondo”
- Scientific contents developer for the workshop “Cosa porta il bastimento? Navigando tra storia, scienze naturali e cultura”

**2017, April – Genoa:** 8<sup>th</sup> edition of La Storia in Piazza, Scientific coordinator of the workshop for high school students “Pirata o Corsaro?”

**2014, November 13 – Genoa:** Studi, Questioni, Metodi - Palazzo Reale  
Lecture: “«Oh hail! You English dogs, oh hail!» Incontri sul mare tra inglesi e barbareschi nella seconda metà del XVII secolo”

## OTHER WORKING EXPERIENCES OF INTEREST

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**2015-2021 –** author and curator of **historical contents** designed for the **non-specialised public** interested in Maritime and Economic History (for MilanoEdit, published by **De Agostini**)

- 2016-2018: *Il Vasa e il suo tempo* (124 issues, Maritime History)
- 2018-2021: *Storia delle banche centrali* (161 issues, Economic History)

## LANGUAGES

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Italian: native speaker	Spanish: advanced (C1)	Greek: intermediate (B1)
English: excellent (C2)	French: advanced (C1)	German: beginner (A1)