

**Mr. Michele Bosco**

**Academic CV and list of publication (last update: May 2022)**

**Personal data**

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**CURRENT POSITION**

**16 / 11 / 2021 - [ Ongoing ]**

Post-doctoral researcher with fixed-term contract (two years) in the Department of Early-Modern and Contemporary History at the **University of Valencia** (Spain). The post-doc fellowship is awarded by the *Generalitat de Valencia* (code of the grant: **APOSTD/2021/054**) and financed by the **European Social Fund**, to carry out a **research** project as well as to collaborate to the **teaching** tasks in the host Department.

**PREVIOUS POSITIONS**

**01 / 07 / 2020 - 15 / 11 / 2021**

**Two years Italian National Research Contract (PRIN)** at the **History and Geography Department** of the **University of Florence (Italy)** awarded to fund the realization of a research project on Early-Modern History and Cultural History within a wider National Project titled: *“Il sacrificio per la fede nell’Europa mediterranea del Cinquecento. Attori, idee, dinamiche religiose, culturali economiche e socio-politiche”*. P.I. **Lucia Felici**, Dipartimento di Storia, Archeologia, Geografia, Arte e Spettacolo (SAGAS), University of Florence, Italy, financed by the National Funding Programme **PRIN/2017 (2020-2023)**.

## EDUCATION

**01 / 12 / 2012 - 27 / 04 / 2017**

**PhD in Early Modern History in international joint-supervision** at University of Florence (Italy) and at the *Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS)* of Paris (France).

**Dissertation:** “*Ragion di Stato e salvezza dell’anima. Il riscatto dei cristiani captivi in Maghreb attraverso le redenzioni mercedarie (1575 - 1725)*”.

Supervisors: **WOLFGANG KAISER** (Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne-EHESS), **LUCIA FELICI** (University of Florence), **GIOVANNA FIUME** (University of Palermo). Successfully defended in Florence on **April 27<sup>th</sup> 2017**, with no corrections and the highest academic distinction («*Cum Laude*»). Besides the Ph.D. titles (“*Histoire et Civilisations*” and “*Dottore di ricerca in Storia*”), the **mention of European Doctorate** (*Doctor Europaeus*) has also been conferred to the candidate.

**18 / 03 / 2009 - 24 / 07 / 2012**

**Master’s Degree (MA) in European History** (“*Storia Europea*”), obtained on **24 / 07 / 2012** at the **University of Palermo** with the highest academic distinction. Thesis on Early Modern History, titled: « *Guerra da corsa e riscatto dei captivi nel Mediterraneo moderno. L’Ordine di Santa Maria della Mercede e il convento degli Scalzi di Palermo (secoli XVII-XIX)* ». **Supervisor** : Professor Giovanna Fiume.

**01 / 11 / 2004 - 17 / 03 / 2009**

**Bachelor's degree in Historical Sciences** (*Scienze Storiche*) obtained on **17 / 03 / 2009** at the **University of Palermo** with the highest punctuation (110/110 e Lode). Thesis in Contemporary History, titled: “*L’eversione dell’Asse ecclesiastico nel pensiero di Marco Minghetti (1866)*” (Supervisor : Professor Salvatore Lupo).

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## PRIZES AND ACADEMIC AWARDS

Obtaining of the **Prize “Premio Ricerca Città di Firenze”**, 2017 edition. Prize for the online and print publication of the Ph.D. dissertation thesis as a monograph. The prize has been awarded by the City Council (Department of University and Research of the City of Florence) together with “*Firenze University Press*” (FUP) on **July 2018**.

## TEACHING ACTIVITY

**Academic Year 2021 / 2022 : January 2022**  
**Academic Year 2020 / 2021 : March - April 2021**  
**Academic Year 2019 / 2020 : November 2019**  
**Academic Year 2016 / 2017 : May 2017**  
**Academic Year 2015 / 2016 : May 2016**

**Teaching collaboration** to four **Master's** Degree courses at the **University of Florence** between the academic years 2015/2016 and 2020/2021. **Punctual teaching collaboration** (totally, **seven two-hours lessons**), at the Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence, Italy. Courses on Early Modern History and History of Reformation and Counter-Reformation (MA in Historical Sciences). Moreover, one two-hours lesson for the Ph.D. Program at the University of **Florence** and **Siena** (academic year 2021/2022) for a total of 2 ECTS. Finally, one two-hours lesson as *Visiting Professor* at **University of Ottawa (Canada)**, Department of Modern Languages et Literatures, Faculty of Arts (academic year 2020-2021).

## **INTERNATIONAL STAYS, RESEARCH EXPERIENCE, PROJECT COLLABORATIONS**

**30 / 03 / 2022 - [ Ongoing ]**

**Participation as a research team member** to the **Spanish National Research Project** “*Cambios y Resistencias Sociales en la Edad Moderna*”, and specifically to the Sub-Project “*Privilegio, trabajo y conflictividad. La sociedad moderna de los territorios hispánicos del Mediterráneo occidental entre el cambio y las resistencias (PGC2018-094150-B-C21)*”, dirigido por Ricardo Franch Benavent y Juan Francisco Pardo (Universitat de València), within the **Group 3.4 “Marginados y esclavos”**. He is currently attached to the Project as a member of the Dep.t of ‘Historia Moderna y Contemporánea’, University of Valencia.

**01 / 01 / 2021 - [ Ongoing ]**

Participation as a Consultant to the International Research Project “*MOVING CITY - Cities made for war. A European army in late Sixteenth-Century Morocco*” (EXPL/HAR-HIS/1521/2021), supported by FCT. Responsible: **Edite Alberto** (P.I.), CHAM - Centro de Humanidades, Universidade NOVA (Lisbon), FCSH-UA. The project (ref. EXPL/HAR-HIS/1521/2021) has two consultants (**Bosco** and prof. **Miguel Angel de Bunes Ibarra** from CSIC, Spain), who support the team in the evaluation and analysis of data activities and contribute with bibliographic and documental references, knowledge of the Spanish archive’s collections, definition of analysis criteria, thus giving permanent support to the project team.

**07 / 01 / 2021 - [ Ongoing ]**

Participation to the Project “*Islamic Legacy: Narratives East, West, South, North of the Mediterranean (1350-1750)*” as a member of **COST Action (IS-LE) CA18129**. Project funded by COST (European Cooperation in Science and Technology).

**October 13<sup>th</sup> 2013 - August 30<sup>th</sup> 2016**

**Two long educational stays** in French Universities and research centres (EHESS, Paris-Sorbonne and École Normale Supérieure of Paris) for a total of 10 months, and two others research stays in Archives and Libraries in Italy (State Archive of Palermo, State Archive of Naples, Vatican Archives, Order of Mercy Historical Archive) and Spain (General Archive of Simancas, Spanish National Library and National Historical Archive) for a total of 12 months.

May 2008 - September 2008

**Internship at the Società Siciliana Di Storia Patria (Palermo)**, carried out in partial fulfilment of the education activities of the Bachelor's degree in Historical Sciences (Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Palermo). Activity of description and inventorying of documental sources conserved in the archives of the *Società Siciliana Di Storia Patria* and preparation of a detailed report about the documentation found and the work realized.

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## PUBLICATIONS

*In Bold the titles of books (monographs)*

1. ***Ragion di Stato e salvezza dell'anima. Il riscatto dei cristiani captivi in Maghreb attraverso le redenzioni mercedarie (1575-1725)***, Firenze University Press (FUP), Firenze, 2019
2. *Il commercio dei captivi nel Mediterraneo di età moderna (secoli XVI - XVIII). Orientamenti e prospettive attuali di ricerca*, in «CROMOHS» (Cyber Review of Modern Historiography), Firenze University Press, ISSN 1123-7023, n. 18 (2013), pp. 57-82
3. *Schiavitù e conversioni religiose nel Mediterraneo moderno. Un bilancio storiografico*, in «DAEDALUS», ISSN 1970-2175, n. 5 (2014), pp. 9-36
4. *Circolazioni "forzose" nel Mediterraneo moderno. Norme giuridiche e pratiche di riscatto dei captivi attraverso le redenzioni mercedarie (secoli XVI-XVII)*, in «RiMe. Rivista dell'Istituto di Storia dell'Europa Mediterranea», n. 16 / 1, giugno 2016, pp. 165-196
5. *Lavori in corso: 'Ragion di Stato e salvezza dell'anima. Il riscatto dei cristiani captivi in Maghreb attraverso le redenzioni mercedarie (1575-1725)'*, in «Riforma e Movimenti Religiosi», Rivista della Società di Studi Valdesi, Claudiana, n. 1 / giugno 2017, pp. 363-369
6. *The "religious way" to the ransom of the captives: the Mercedarian Order and the redemption to Algiers in 1723*, in Roser Salucrú i Lluch e Ivan Armenteros (directed by), *Slavery Dynamics in Medieval and Modern Mediterranean. Markets, Circulations and Mobilities*, Ed. L'Erma di Bretschneider [ in print ]
7. *Le redenzioni mercedarie in Nord Africa attraverso i libri di conto. Finanziamento ed evoluzione delle procedure di riscatto sul lungo periodo*, in Fernando Larcher - Madalena Larcher - Edite Alberto (a cura di), *Os Trinitários e os Mercedários no Mundo Luso-Hispânico. História, Arte, Património*, Actas de Congresso, Lisbona, 20-23 luglio 2016 [to be printed]
8. *Frontiere volubili. Retorica religiosa e interessi nazionali nel riscatto dei cristiani captivi in Nord Africa (secoli XVII-XVIII)*, in Deborah Paci, Paolo Perri, Francesca Zantedeschi (a cura di), *Paesaggi mediterranei. Storie, rappresentazioni, narrazioni*, ARACNE, Roma, 2018, pp. 47-62.
9. Sara Cabibbo - Maria Lupi (a cura di), *Relazioni religiose nel Mediterraneo. Schiavi, redentori, mediatori (secc. XVI-XIX)*, Viella, Roma, 2012. Recensione pubblicata su «GIORNALE DI STORIA», ISSN 2036-4938, n. 12 (2013)

10. *Ildefonso da Palermo: Cronaca della Missione francescana dell'Alto Egitto (1719-1739)*, edited by G. Giamberardini, Edizioni del Centro Franciscano di Studi Orientali Cristiani, Il Cairo, 1962, entry for the Dictionary “*Christian-Muslim Relations. A Bibliographical History. 1500-1900*” (CMR1900), directed by David Thomas and John Chesworth, BRILL, 2019, pp. 856-860.
11. « *Ut redemptio captivorum frequentius, et copiosius fiat* ». *L'Ordine dei Mercedari tra riforma interna e controllo governativo (secoli XVI-XVII)*, in «Riforma e Movimenti Religiosi», Rivista della Società di Studi Valdesi, Claudiana, n. 5 / giugno 2019, pp. 91-140.
12. *Il Mediterraneo della prima età moderna. Incontri, scontri, mobilità*, in “Il Pensiero Storico”, rivista semestrale italiana di Storia delle Idee, ISSN 2531-3983, n. 5 / 2019, pp. 11-29.
13. “*Con lágrimas de nuestros corazones*”. *El rescate de cautivos en una redención mercedaria del siglo XVIII*, «ESPACIO, TIEMPO Y FORMA», Serie IV, Historia Moderna, UNED, ISSN 0214-9745, n. 33 (2020), pp. 213-244.
14. *Schiavitù del corpo e schiavitù dell'anima. Apostasia e riscatto dei captivi nel Mediterraneo moderno*, in Carpanetto Dino, Delpiano Patrizia (a cura di), *L'Italia fra cristiani, ebrei, musulmani. Immagini, miti, vite concrete (secoli XVII-XVIII)*, Torino, Claudiana, 2020, pp. 29-47.
15. *Redentores de almas ante la Real Hacienda. Un análisis económico-jurídico de las redenciones mercedarias en la larga duración (1575-1723)*, «Cuadernos de Historia Moderna», 46 (1), 2021, pp. 77-113.
16. Book Review: Daniel Hershenzon, *The Captive Sea. Slavery, Communication and Commerce in Early Modern Spain and Mediterranean*, University of Pennsylvania Press, Philadelphia, 2018. Review to be published on “Al-Qanṭara. Revista de estudios árabes” (ISSN 0211-3589), XLI / 1, 2020, pp. 302 - 307.
17. *¿De la caridad a la asistencia de estado? La redención de cautivos en la Monarquía Hispánica en el siglo XVIII*, en Borreguero Beltrán, Cristina; Retortillo Atienza, Asunción; Melgosa Oter, Oscar R.; Pereda López, Ángela (Coordinadores), *A la sombra de las catedrales. Cultura, poder y guerra en la Edad Moderna*, Servicio de Publicaciones de la Universidad de Burgos, Burgos, 2021, pp. 919-933.

## WORKSHOPS / CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS, TALKS AND SEMINARS

1. Michele Bosco, *La conversione all'Islam degli Europei captivi in Nord Africa (secc. XVI-XVII)*, intervento a « *Translating cultures* », 5<sup>th</sup> edizione, Annual joint seminar SAGAS-EUI-SNS, Florence, Department SAGAS, Fenzi Palace, March 15, 2013 ;
2. Michele Bosco, *Comunità di fede e comunità «nazionali» nel Mediterraneo moderno. Il caso dei cristiani captivi in Nord Africa (secoli XVII-XVIII)*, intervention to the seminar: «Comunità». *Tra appartenenza ed istituzioni*, “Storia” and “Studi Storici” Ph.D. Seminar of the Universities of Florence and Siena, Florence, June 10, 2014 ;
3. Michele Bosco, *La «merce umana» tra schiavitù e libertà. Una circolazione forzata nel Mediterraneo moderno (secoli XVI-XVIII)*, intervention to the «L.S.M.» - Laboratorio di Storia Moderna - March 6, 2015, dedicated to « Circolazione di uomini e di idee nel Mediterraneo e nell'Oceano Atlantico », coordinated by professor Lucia Felici. Florence, March 6, 2015 ;

4. Michele Bosco, «*Sempre li redemptori partono di qua carichi di ricche merci*». *Il riscatto degli «schiavi» cristiani in Nord Africa, tra pratica umanitaria e logiche economiche (secoli XVII-XVIII)*, intervention to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Seminar of Pd.D. Studies organized by ISSM (Istituto di Studi sulle Società del Mediterraneo - CNR), on «*La schiavitù nell'Europa mediterranea. Lavoro, circolazione e mercati (secc. XIV-XIX)*», Naples (ISSM-CNR), October 5-9, 2015 ;
5. Michele Bosco, *Migrazioni “forzate” nel Mediterraneo moderno. L’Ordine dei Mercedari e il riscatto dei cristiani captivi in Nord Africa (secoli XVI-XVIII)*, intervention to the SISEM Congress dedicated to “Migrazioni e Mediterraneo. Due linee di ricerca per la Storia moderna”, Catania, January 22-23, 2016 ;
6. Michele Bosco, *Frontiere volubili. Retorica religiosa e interessi nazionali nel riscatto dei cristiani captivi in Nord Africa (secoli XVII-XVIII)*, intervention to the 6<sup>th</sup> annual Workshop “Persistenze o Rimozioni” on «*Mediterraneo: uno spazio liquido*», University of Calabria, Cosenza, June 9-10, 2016 ;
7. Michele Bosco, *Las redenciones mercedarias en el Norte de África a través de sus “libros de cuentas”. Financiación y mutación de procedimientos de rescate en la larga duración (1575-1723)*, intervention to the International Congress “Os Trinitários e os Mercedários no Mundo Luso-Hispânico. História, Arte e Património”, Lisbon, July 20-23, 2016 ;
8. «*Ut redemptio captivorum frequentius, et copiosius fiat* ». *L’Ordine dei Mercedari dal Capitolo generale “della Riforma” alla nascita degli “Scalzi” (1574-1606)*. Intervention to the Congress “*Reforming the Religions in the Modern World (XVI<sup>th</sup>-XVIII<sup>th</sup> centuries)*”, organized by Istituto Sangalli per la Storia e le culture religiose, Florence, September 11-13, 2017
9. «*Esclavos y redentores en el Mediterráneo. El rescate de cristianos cautivos en el Norte de África (siglos XVII-XVIII)*», talk within the 7<sup>th</sup> cycle of Seminars “*Haciendo Historia*”, Department of Early Modern History, UNED (Madrid). January 18, 2018: Department of Early Modern History, Faculty of Geography and History, UNED, Madrid.
10. «*La Orden de la Merced y la redención de cautivos (siglos XVI - XVIII)* », conference presentation at the University of Valencia as invited Professor at the Department of Early-Modern and Late-Modern History, Faculty of Geography and History, University of Valencia, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
11. *Esclaves et rédempteurs. Le rachat de captifs en Méditerranée entre charité et raison d’Etat (XVIII<sup>e</sup> siècle)*, intervento al Workshop «*De quoi l’esclavage est-il le nom?*», organizzato dalla EHEHI (Casa de Velázquez), Nantes, Château des ducs de Bretagne, 25-28 giugno 2018.
12. *Schiavitù del corpo e schiavitù dell’anima. Il riscatto dei captivi e l’apostasia nel Mediterraneo moderno*, intervento al Convegno internazionale “*L’Italia tra l’Europa protestante e il Mediterraneo islamico (secoli XVII-XVIII)*”, Società di Studi Valdesi, Torre Pellice (Torino), 6-9 settembre 2018.
13. *De la caridad a la diplomacia. El papel del Estado en la redención de cautivos en el contexto ibérico (siglo XVIII)*, intervento all’Atelier “*Les nouveaux chemins de l’hispanisme*” (*Los nuevos caminos del hispanismo*), organizzato dalla EHEHI (Casa de Velázquez), Madrid, 16-17 ottobre 2018.
14. *Ai margini dell’economia mediterranea. Gli schiavi da riscatto nel Maghreb ottomano (secoli XVI-XVIII)*, intervento a: «*Attraverso la Storia* », Convegno SISEM. Padova, 20-22 febbraio 2019.
15. *Una orden ibérica en el Magreb otomano. Presencia y labor de los frailes “redentores” en la Berbería del siglo XVII*, intervento al congresso internazionale: «*Le monde ibérique et l’orient européen à l’époque moderne. Circulation, médiation, intégration*»: ciclo di Seminari EHEHI / Casa de Velázquez, Universidad Complutense de Madrid. Seminario III: «*Statuts et intégration*», Real Academia de España en Roma. Roma, 4 giugno 2019.

16. *Esclavos, cautivos y redentores en Hispano-América. Centro y periferia de un sistema imperial (siglos XVII-XVIII)*, intervention to the international congress: «*Comparative Studies of Slavery and Race in the Atlantic World*», Instituto de Historia (CCHS), CSIC. Madrid, 17-19 of June 2019.
17. *Razón de Estado y salvación del alma. La Orden de la Merced y el rescate de cautivos en el Mediterráneo moderno*. Conferencia impartida en el Centro de Ciencias Humanas y Sociales (CCHS) del CSIC. Madrid, 2 de marzo de 2020.
18. “*The task of redeeming wretched Christians*”. *Captives ransom in Early-Modern Southern Italy (XVII-XVIII centuries)*, intervention to the International Conference: *Soldiers, prisoners and converts between permeable borders in the Mare Nostrum (16th-18th centuries)*, University of Palermo (Italy), 13<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> January 2021.
19. *¿De la caridad a la asistencia de Estado? La redención de cautivos en la Monarquía Hispánica en el siglo XVIII*, intervention to the XVI Reunión Científica de la Fundación Española de Historia Moderna (FEHM), Burgos, 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> of June, 2020 [ **\*The conference has been formerly suspended and moved to June 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> 2021, due to the Covid-19 pandemic crisis\*** ].
20. **March 16<sup>th</sup> 2021**: “*Relatos de cautiverio. Esclavitud y diálogo interreligioso en la obra de Antonio Sosa*”. On-line lecture as *Visiting Professor* at the University of Ottawa (Canada), within the Master teaching titled: “*(Des)encuentros en la cultura hispánica de la edad media y del Siglo de Oro*”, activated by the *Département des Langues et Littératures Modernes, Faculté des Arts*, for the Academic year 2020-2021.
21. **April 29<sup>th</sup> 2021** : “*Martirio e canonizzazione in area iberica. Due casi di studio*”: Seminar organized within the PRIN Project upon “*Sacrifice in Early-Modern History*”, dedicated to: *L’ansia del Martirio. Il Sacrificio per la Fede nella chiesa cattolica*, **29 / 04 / 2021**.
22. **April 30<sup>th</sup> 2021** “*L’Inquisizione spagnola (secoli XV-XIX). Mito e Storia di un’istituzione di età moderna*”. On-line class given as *Visiting Professor* within the Master teaching titled: “*Fonti e Metodi della Storia moderna*”, activated by the Department of History “*SAGAS*” of the University of Florence for the Academic course 2020-2021.
23. **January 19<sup>th</sup> 2022** - On-line class : “*La schiavitù mediterranea tra Sei e Settecento*”. Doctoral lecture, held for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Didactic Week of the XXXVII Doctoral Cycle in "Historical Studies", jointly activated by the Universities of Florence and Siena (Florence, 19 / 01 / 2022).
24. “*Rescates de esclavos y conflictos jurisdiccionales. Un ‘pulso’ institucional en Sicilia de Antiguo Régimen (1654-1767)*”. Paper presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Congress of the Spanish and Italian Societies of 18<sup>th</sup> Century Studies “*Cultura de Corte en el Siglo XVIII Español e Italiano. Diplomacia, Música, Literatura y Arte*”, organized by IEMYRHD - Universidad de Salamanca, Salamanca, **March 16<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> 2022**.

## LANGUAGES AND PERSONAL SKILLS

### *Native language*

Italian

### *Other languages*

French

Excellent reading and listening  
Very good speaking and writing

Spanish

Excellent reading and listening  
Very good speaking and writing  
[ **Level C-1 'DELE' Certificate** obtained on **July 2018** ]

English

Excellent reading. Very good listening and writing. Good speaking  
[ **Level B-2 IELTS Certificate** obtained on **December 2019** ]

Portuguese

Very good listening and Reading

## ***INFORMATICS SKILLS***

Good usage of informatics medias and of the mostly used tools and programs both with Microsoft Windows and Apple Mc IOS operative systems. Current usage of the e-mail services and of the databases creating (i.e. Excel). Good skills on the usage of scientific platforms, files-sharing and storage and group network, research-oriented (for example, [www.archivodelafrontera.com](http://www.archivodelafrontera.com)) or dissemination-oriented (for example, Wix, Prezi, and others).