

SISS SUMMER SCHOOL

23-24 September 2026

Domus Mazziniana
via D'Azeglio 14, Pisa

23 September

9:30-10:00 **Institutional greetings**

10:00-11:30 **Panel 1: Global Knowledges**

Discussant: **Simone Turchetti (University of Manchester)**

1. Sara Martinelli (Università degli Studi di Bari "Aldo Moro"): *Acupuncture anesthesia: the dissemination of a therapeutic imaginary from Maoist China to the Italian case*
2. Giacomo Simoncelli (Sapienza Università di Roma): *Biobanks, genetic sequences, Big Data. The transformation of the technoscientific regimes governing the collection of biological material*
3. Thomas Parkinson (University College, Dublin): *Provincializing Spechtown: Communication Sciences and the Global*

11:30-12:00 **Coffee break**

12:00-13:00 **Keynote Lecture:** Simone Turchetti (University of Manchester), Gerardo Ienna (Sapienza Università di Roma): *Crafting your MSC/ERC grant: academic advices and personal experiences*

13:00-14:30 **Lunch break**

14:30-16:00 **Panel 2: Scientific Practices and Communities**

Discussant: **Elena Canadelli (Università di Padova)**

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1. Matteo Proto Ghiringhelli (Sapienza Università di Roma – Université Lumière Lyon 2): *Knowledge, Politics, and Identity: Ippolito Agostini's Natural History Museum in Siena as a Space of Medicean Cultural Hegemony*
 2. Giulia Vigo (Sapienza Università di Roma): *Collecting Science in Rome: The Scientific Cabinets of Sapienza University During the Pontificate of Pius IX (1846–1878)*
 3. Jason Ng (King's College, London): *Naming Names: Nomenclatural stability, decolonisation, and the 'missing' Singapore Herbarium type specimens*

16:00–16:30 **Coffee break**

16:30–17:30 **Panel 3: Italian Colonial Knowledge**

Discussant: **Gerardo Ienna (Sapienza Università di Roma)**

1. Roberta Ranieri (Università degli Studi di Bari "Aldo Moro"): *Inventing Aridity: The Hydrocolonial Regeneration of an Orientalized Apulia*
2. Tatiana Tabacchino (Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II): *“Non c’entra un fico!”. “E invece sì!”: Napoli e il Mediterraneo al centro delle questioni biologiche nel primo trentennio del Novecento. Reti transnazionali e circolazione interdisciplinare*

17:30–17:50 Sara Bassanelli (Politecnico di Torino–Università di Pavia): *Introducing the Early Career Network of the European Society of History of Science*

18:00–19:00 **Keynote Lecture:** Silvia Bencivelli: *How to Talk About Science to the Outer World: Books, Podcasts, and Live Shows*

19:30 **Dinner**

24 September

9:30– 11:00 **Panel 4: Healing the Mind**

Discussant: **Mauro Capocci (Università di Pisa)**

1. Nadia Esposito (Università di Macerata – Università del Sannio): *Observing, classifying, re-educating: institutional assessment practices in an Italian female reformatory*

1. Irene Pessot (Università degli Studi di Palermo): *"A Denied Difference". The Feminist Critique of Psychiatric Science in 1970s Italy*
2. Paulina S. Gennermann (Philipps Universität Marburg): *The ambivalent character of psychopharmaceuticals in Brazil or how to deal with Valium?*

11:00–11:30 **Coffee break**

11:30–12:30 **Keynote Lecture:** Elena Canadelli (Università di Padova): *History of Science in Italy. Careers, Opportunities, Perspectives*

12:30–14:00 **Lunch break**

14:00–16:00 **Panel 5: Organisms and Machines**

Discussant: **Matteo Vagelli (Università di Venezia Ca' Foscari)**

1. Lorenzo Zanaboni (Università di Pisa – Università degli Studi di Firenze): *How the Study of Symbiosis challenges classic Biological Individuality*
2. Francesca Ricci (Università degli Studi di Bari "Aldo Moro"): *"My Immortal Dead": Practices of Bodily Preservation and Medico-Scientific Culture in Naples during the Risorgimento*
3. Maria Grazia D'Amico (Università di Pisa): *Povere creature! Aborto, monstrositas e fisiologia resurrezionale in Alberto Magno*
4. Matteo Pappalardo (Università degli Studi di Catania): *Beyond the Theory of Machines: Ross Ashby and the Cybernetic Proposal*

16:00–17:30 **Panel 6: Early Modern Nature**

Discussant: **Valentina Vignieri (Museo Galileo, Firenze)**

1. Guglielmo Martinangeli (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore): *Towards a Semanticisation of "Nature" in Galileo's De motu*
2. Giovanni Gaia (Università degli Studi di Urbino): *The Urbino Mathematical school: Collective Practices between Philology and Scientific Innovation. The Case of Guidobaldo del Monte and Berardino Baldi*
3. Federico Cardoni (Università di Macerata): *Hypotheses to Hypotyposis: Christoph Rothmann and the Representation of Celestial Motions in Renaissance Astronomy*

17:30 **Closing remarks**

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