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Academic position and professional experience

University of Cagliari, Department of Political and Social Sciences, Associate Professor of Sociology
November 2014-present

University of Pittsburgh Fulbright Distinguished Chair, January-May 2014 Course The Italian Political System,
an overlook of peculiar democracy

University of Paris VII Diderot Spring semester 2013 Erasmus Teaching Staff Mobility Course The Israeli
Palestinian Conflict

University of Cagliari, Department of Political and Social Sciences Assistant Professor of Sociology March
2000-2014

University of Cagliari Political Science Faculty, Sociology of Deviance Instructor 1990-2000

State University of New York at Binghamton Visiting Research Associate, August 1986-1989

Education

PhD Sociology Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales Paris (with honors) June 1989

MA Sociology Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales Paris 1984

BA Political Sciences University of Cagliari Italy (with honors) 1982

Honors grants

1983-1986 PhD Fellowship Sardinia Autonomous Region

1986-1990 Vising Research Associate at Fernand Braudel Center State University of New York

2003 Leonardo Project European Best Practice Award

2012 Erasmus Globus Grant for New Universities Agreement, AlQuds University East Jerusalem

2013 Fulbright Candidate at the Fulbright Distinguished Chair University of Pittsburgh

2016 Erasmus Teaching Staff Grant Paris VII Diderot Sciences Politiques

Books

The Israeli-Palestinians implicates relations, forthcoming Pluto Press

Resisting Militarization in a No-war zone, with Simone Maddanu, Palgrave, Autumn 2024

Violare gli spazi. Militarizzazione in tempo di pace e resistenza locale, Ombre Corte, Verona, 2024

Essere poveri sentirsi poveri, Aipsa Edizioni, Cagliari, 2009

Sardi al voto. Attori e scelte, Cuec, Cagliari, 2006

Isole, insularità e rifiuti. Tra innovazione e marginalità, with Giovanni Sistu, Franco Angeli, 2004

La violence en Sardaigne. La parole et le fusil contre l'Etat Editions ARGUMENTS, Paris, 1992, preface by
Alain Touraine

Peer Reviewed Articles

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Studies*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/14742837.2022.2144105>

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le occupation. *International Review of Sociology* p. 1-23, doi: 10.1080/03906701.2020.1866314

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Esu A. (2017) Making Sense of Life, Global Activism in the Cyberspace. DOI:10.13189/sa.2017.050303. *Sociology and Anthropology* ISSN:2331-6187 vol. 5 (3) pp.195-203

Esu A. (2015), Violence and Statebuilding in a Borders Conflict Context. *Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding*, DOI: 10.1080/17502977.2015.1054658

Esu A. (2015). Hebron. Purity and impure in the Exclusionary City, *Lo squaderno*, n.36, ISSN 1973-9141

Esu A, Maddanu S. (2014) "Les migrants clandestins tunisiens et l'hétérotopie dans la Méditerranée", *Strade Recherche et documents Corse et Méditerranée*, n. 22, pp.47-54

Esu A. (2014). Contested geography: the extreme cases of Hebron and Jerusalem. *Planum. The Journal of Urbanism*, Special issue Practices of Repossession, ISBN 978-88-99237-01-1

Esu A. (2012). Memories, myths and representations of a contested land. *Quest*, vol. 4, p. 128-144, ISSN: 2037-741X

Esu A. (2010) The Ultimate Mission to Israel: discorso pubblico e sicurezza dei militari israeliani. *Etnografia e Ricerca Qualitativa*, vol. 2, ISSN: 1973-3194

Esu A. (2010) Shas and Hamas Challenge. *SOCIOLOGI@DRES*, vol. 1, p. 1-14, ISSN: 2036-6310

Esu A. (2006) Convivere con la paura: vita quotidiana in uno scenario di guerra *MERDIANA DICEMBRE* pgg.12. *Meridiana*, vol. 55, p. 105-124, ISSN: 0394-4115

"Soffriamo di un male inguaribile che si chiama speranza" Esperienze di cooperazione quadrilaterale in Medioriente, in *Cooperazione Mediterranea*, anno XVI, n.4, 2005

Il filo rosso della violenza in Sardegna: la gestione delle risorse, *Quaderni del Dipartimento di Ricerche Economiche e Sociali Sezione di Sociologica Facoltà di Scienze Politiche Cagliari*, aprile 2001 Cagliari

Giovani ricercare l'identità, *SOCIETA' SARDA 3° quadrimestre 1999 numero speciale Disagio giovanile in Sardegna*, Cagliari

Affrontare le cause, *SOCIETA' SARDA numero speciale sul sequestro di persona, 2° quadrimestre 1998*, Cagliari

Books Chapters

Esu, A., Maddanu, S. (2021). *Conflicting Modernities, Militarization and Islands*. In Akil H.N. Maddanu S., *Global Modernity from Coloniality to Pandemic: A Cross-disciplinary Perspective*. Amsterdam University Press, pp.187-206

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Esu A. Doneddu S. (2018) *Insegnare il gusto, fattorie didattiche e saperi di genere*, in (a cura di) Murgia A., Poggi B.) *Saperi di genere: prospettive interdisciplinari su formazione, università, lavoro, politiche e movimenti sociali*, ebook, Università di Trento, pp.251-265

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Esu, Aide (2014). Contested geography: the extreme cases of Jerusalem and Hebron. In: Carlo Cellamare et al.. (a cura di): Carlo Cellamare Francesca Cognetti, Practices of reappropriation. p. 69-75, ROMA:Planum, ISBN: 9788899237011

Esu A. (2013) Have You Remembered to Take the Coumadin? Life Trajectories and Invisible Work in the Narratives of Coronary Heart Disease Patients, in Vaccarella M. (Ed.), Narratives in chronicity, Inter-Disciplinary Press Oxford, United Kingdom, forthcoming spring

Esu A. (2013) "Il soggetto nella differenza" with Maddanu S., in (Ed.) Antimo Farro, Teoria e ricerca sociale in Alain Touraine, Guerini Associati, Milano

Esu A (2013). Uno studio esplorativo della malattia cardiaca: il punto di vista dei pazienti. In: (a cura di): Sassu A, Oppo A, Lodde S, Porcu M, Aspetti socio-economici della salute in Italia: un approccio di genere. p. 211-241, ROMA:Carocci Editore, ISBN: 978-88-430-6565-3

Esu A. (2012) "Cardiopatia e vita quotidiana, alla ricerca di una normalità" in A.Oppo, A.Sassu, S.Lodde (eds.), Genere e malattia cronica, Carocci, Roma

Esu A. (2010) "Mamma mi porti fuori?" Spazio pubblico e pratiche di gioco, in Mandich (a cura di) Addomesticare lo spazio e il tempo, p. 155-170, Carocci editore, Roma

Esu A. (2009) The Struggle for Survival and Security in the Middle East: An Ethnological Observation of public discourse in Israel, in Understanding Violence: Contexts and Portrayals, Edited by Guggisberg M and Weir D., Inter-Disciplinary Press Oxford, 2009

Esu A. (2008) The multiple faces of violence in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, in Cervantes-Carson A., Lazaroms I.J.M., (Editors) Meaning and Violence: Readings Across Disciplines, Inter-Disciplinary Press, Oxford, United Kingdom, 2008

Esu A. (2007) "Meglio Soru" che "la forza dei fatti". Alcune riflessioni sul marketing elettorale nelle elezioni regionali sarde, in Mutamenti della politica nell'Italia contemporanea a cura di Roberto Segatori e Giovanni Barbieri, Rubbettino Università

Esu A. (2007) Memorie e luoghi di Eretz Israel e di Filastyyna, in La memoria pubblica, Trauma culturale, nuovi confini e identità nazionali. (a cura di) Rampazi M., e Tota A.L., Utet

Esu A. (1998) I processi di scelta nelle amministrazioni locali, in I nuovi sistemi di classificazione degli enti locali a cura di Gianfranco Rucco, Ottobre 1998 Collana Editoriale ANCI, ppg. 47-60

Esu A. (1993) Banditisme et Violence Sociale dans les sociétés de l'Europe méditerranéenne Etudes Corses n.40-41 21^e année 1993 Nouvelles formes de violence en Sardaigne Actes du Colloque de Bastia 27-29 mai 1993, ISSN 0338-361-X ppg.45-58

Book review

2023 Makdisi Makdisi Tolerance is a Wasteland Palestine and the Culture of Denial, University California Press, Ricerche di Storia Politica

2022 L. Allen, A History of False Hope. Investigative Commissions in Palestine, Stanford UP, 2020, Ricerche di Storia Politica

2021 L. Fleischmann, The Israeli Peace Movement. Anti-Occupation Activism and Human Rights since the Al-Aqsa Intifada, in Ricerche di Storia Politica, n.3, pp.246-247

2021 Nadera Shalhoub-Kevorkian, Incarcerated Childhood and the Politics of Unchilding, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge 2019 in Ricerche di Storia Politica, n.2 pp.236-237

2020 Shir Hever The Privatization of Israeli Security, Pluto Press, London, 2018, in Quest. Issues in Contemporary Jewish History , n.16 December 2019 url: www.quest-cdecjournal.it/reviews.php?id=149

2016 Visual and material culture. Carta, Silvio. Visual anthropology in Sardinia DOI:10.1111/1467-9655.12483. pp.751-752. In The Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute ISSN:1359-0987 vol. 22 (3)

2016 Benjamin J Muller, Security, Risk and the Biometric State: Governing Borders and Bodies, International Sociology,4

Esu A. (2013) Manuel Castells, Networks of Outrage and Hope. Social Movements in the Internet Age. Cambridge: Polity Press, 2012, Sociologica, 10

Invited talks

Voicing the Silence. Naturalisation of Violence and the Conflict Intractability Social and Political Dynamics in Israel. Jewish State 70 Years after the Declaration of Independence June 7-9, 2022, Jagiellonian University, Krakow

Military pollution in no-war land: the Inter-force base of Salto di Quirra. Media construction of risk perception University of Harvard, Workshop Political Ecology, Boston 18-19 April 2014

Global online movements. University of Pittsburgh Sociology Department, The new social movements and the World System Analysis, 10-13 April 2014

Why the concept of integration is losing performativity? Round table with MICHEL WIEVIORKA President of the International Sociological Association, Sociology Faculty University La Sapienza, Rome, May 2010

Conference presentations and organization

Has mutual aid the potential for an imaginative social movement project? Conference Alternative Future and Popular Protests University of Manchester, June 2021

Conference Organizer 8th Annual Conference on Israel Studies Democracy in Challenging Times: Israel, Europe and the World, Prague Charles University, 8-10 September 2018

Conference Organizer 7th Annual Conference on Israel Studies Israel's Turning Points: Histories and Narratives, Ruptures and Continuities, London SOAS, 2-4 September 2018

Israele a 70 anni dalla sua nascita: quale bilancio? Società Italiana di Storia internazionale 8-9 Giugno 2018 Milano Università Statale

Breaking the Silence, biographical narrations of violence naturalization, ISA WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY RC38 Biography and Society July 15-21-2018 Toronto

Malattia cronica e nuove traiettorie di vita. Vivere con la sclerosi multipla

'Quotidiano in movimento. Transizioni, corso di vita, pratiche e soggettività'. Associazione Italiana di Sociologia Cagliari 21-22 Settembre 2018

Il conflitto israelo-palestinese. Un conflitto intrattabile?

XIV Convegno Società per gli studi del Medio Oriente, Percorsi di Resistenza in Medio Oriente ed in Africa, Torino 31 Gennaio 2 Febbraio

"The antimilitary-bases' movement in Sardinia" Military Landscapes. Future for military heritage. An International overview event celebrating the 150th anniversary of the decommissioning of Italian fortresses La Maddalena Island, June 21st-24th, 2017

From modernity to risk. Local print media portraying military activity

Perspectives on Environment, Social Justice, and the Media in the Age of the Anthropocene, University of Sassari 15-17 June 2017

"No military bases neither here nor elsewhere". Antimilitarism and territorial sovereignty,

From 'the Street' to Public Debate. Social Movements and the Making of Alternatives ISA-RC 48 Mid-Term Conference, Catania, 30-31 Maggio 2017

"A foras", out. Youth antimilitarism engagement

Youth emerging as social actor, ISA RC 47, Social Class and Social Movement, and RC 34 Sociology of youth Mid-Term Conference Bethelam, 26-29 Aprile 2017

Conference Organizer 6th Annual Conference on Israel Studies, Israeli Identities: Past, Present and Future September 2017 Wroclaw Poland

"Constructing the national scapegoat: a sociological reading of Roma people stereotyping"

Asen Nationalism, Migration and Population Change London School of Economics, London 19-21 April 2016

Conference Organizer 5th Annual Conference on Israel Studies London Thinking About Israel: Borders, Boundaries and Cultures' 2-5 September 2016 London SOAS

“Testimony army unfair behavior from psychological recovery to the political tool, the case of Breaking the Silence”
 Art and Conflict Symposium, Wolfson College, Oxford, 2-3th May 2015
 “Breaking the silence in the Israeli public sphere. A call for New People’s army?”
 European Research Group on Military and Society INTERIM CONFERENCE Working Group “The Military Profession” Turin (Italy) February 5th-8th, 2015 “Armed Forces and Operations in Asymmetric Warfare Environment”
 Conference Organizer of the 4° Annual Conference in Israel Studies, Understanding the Past and Constructing the Future: Israel and Europe. Israel in Europe. European Association on Israel Studies, Cagliari 6-8 September 2015
 Avaaz and AdBuster protest, a global movement action Conference Protest Participation in Variable Communication Ecologies, Alghero, 24-26 June 2015
 Session Organizer Borderless Movements from Political Action to People Free Mobility RC Social Classes and Social Movements, XVIII ISA WORLD Conference Yokohama July 2014
 Contested land, the implicate relation of memories, myths and representations Israelis and Palestinians 85th Annual Meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association Portland, Oregon March 27-30, 2014
 Controlling the Use of Force and State Building in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict”
 The Annual Conference European Association Israel Studies, “Israel and Europe: Mapping the Past, Shaping the Future”, September 10-12 at Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich, Germany
 “Have You Remembered to Take the Coumadin? Life Trajectories and Invisible Work in the Narratives of Coronary Heart Disease Patients”
 Global Conference: Making Sense of Chronicity, Mansfield College Oxford, United Kingdom, 29 August-September 1th 2012
 “Don’t ask me how I feel, but ask me how it feels my land today. Contested space in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict”, Conference: *Dialogue Under Occupation*, Northwestern University, Mason University, American-Lebanese University, Beirut, May 9-12-2012
The controlled heterotopia: urban ethnography among Tunisian migrants connected to the Arab spring”
 Conference: *From Social to Political New Forms of Mobilization and Democracy*, International Sociological Association RC 43, Bilbao 9-12 February 2012
Media e Intrecci spazio-temporali della memoria collettiva di Israele e Palestina.
 Conference: *Memorie con-divise. Popoli, stati e nazioni nel mediterraneo e in Medio Oriente*, X Sesamo Società per gli studi del Medio Oriente, University of Milan-Bicocca 9-11 June 2011
Local Politics and Media Fear Creation: a Sociological Reading of Mrs. Reggiani Murder
 Conference: *Moral Panics in the Contemporary World*, 10-12 December 2010, London Brunel University
Les politiques de la peur Conference: *Regard croisés sur la régulation sociale des désordres*, Association Française de Sociologie, Réseau Thématique 3 Normes déviations et réactions sociales, Réseau Thématique 21 Mouvements Sociaux, Rouen, 26-27 Octobre 2010
Violence: the intractable conflict of Israel and Palestine SESSION 14 Round Table On War And Violence, XVII International Sociological Association WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY 11-17 July 2010 , Gotheburg, Sweden
The New Global Web Movements, the Case of Adbuster and Avaatz
 RC47 Individual, Crisis and Cultural Struggles XVII International Sociological Association WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY 11-17 July 2010 , Gotheburg, Sweden
Etnografia del discorso pubblico della sicurezza in Israele
 Workshop Etnografia e ricerca sociale Bergamo-Italy, 25-27 June 2009
Perché il concetto di integrazione non funziona più? LA SOCIOLOGIA NON E’ IN CRISI”
 Round table with MICHEL WIEVIORKA President of the International Sociological Association, Sociology Faculty Università La Sapienza, Rome, 29 May 2009
The challenge of religious movements in Israel and Palestine
 International Sociological Association, First Forum of Sociology, Social Research and Public Debate, RC 18, Barcelona 5-8 September 2008

The Struggle for Survival and Security in the Middle East: An Ethnological Observation of public discourse in Israel

Conference: Violence and the contexts of Hostility, *Interdisciplinary-net* Budapest May 5-7 May 2008

I nuovi significati della violenza nel conflitto tra Israele e Palestina

IX Convegno SeSaMo Il presente ed il passato della violenza in Medioriente: Realtà e rappresentazione, Turin 16-18 October 2008

Insicurezza e paura, la quotidiana grammatica dei conflitti intrattabili

International Seminar Wars and Everyday life Ca' Foscari University, Venice 23-24 November 2007

The Ultimate Mission to Israel,

Conference: *Dialogue under occupation*, North eastern Illinois University, George Mason University, Al Quds University, East Jerusalem, November 14-16, 2007

The multiple faces of violence in the Israeli Palestinian conflict

6th Global Conference - *Violence, Contexts and the Construction of Enemies*, The Interdisciplinary Net, Budapest, May 2-5, 2007

Shas and Hamas Challenge

Religions, mobilizations and political cultures: An international workshop, Dipartimento di Sociologia e Ricerca Sociale, Milan-Bicocca University, January 26-27, 2007

Eretz Israel and Falastin Memories and Representations,

Conference: Nation and their pasts. Representing the Past, Building the future. Asen, London School of Economics, London 28-29-30 March 2006

Le memorie pubbliche di Israele e Palestina Il tempo e le forme della memoria.

Conference: Rappresentazioni del passato e discorso pubblico, Pavia University, May 2004

Violence in Sardinia

34 th World Congress of the International Institute of Sociology, Tel Aviv, 11-15 July 1999

Nouvelles formes de Banditisme et de violence en Sardaigne,

Conférence : Violence Sociale dans les sociétés de l'Europe méditerranéenne, Bastia 27-29 May 1999