

# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

## **RICCARDO REDAELLI**

### **PRESENT POSITION**

Riccardo Redaelli is the Director of the Center for Research on the South System and the Wider Mediterranean System (CRiSSMA) and Director of the Master in Middle Eastern Studies (MIMES) of the Catholic University of the S. Heart (Milano of the Catholic University of the S. Heart, Milano (Italy)), and Full Professor of “Geopolitics”. He teaches also “History of Asia” and “Post Conflict and Emergency Management”.

He is also:

- Coordinator of a multi-years program of Social Responsibility on Education in Zubayr district (Basra Province – Iraq) for the Italian Company ENI.
- Member of the “Observatory on Religious Minorities in the World and the Respect for Religious Freedom” of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Professor of “Post Conflict Institution building and international security” at the Master in International cooperation and development.
- Member of the Steering Committee of the Italian Association of International History (SISI).
- Member of the Steering Committee of the International Foundation *Oasis – Christians and Muslims in the Global World*.
- Scientific coordinator of the International Center of Geopolitics (Ce.St.In.Geo), Valenza.
- Member of the Editorial Board of the Journal *Storia Urbana* (Urban History).
- Member of the Steering Committees of other Academic Centers of the Research.
- Columnist (Foreign Policy issues) of the Italian Newspaper *Avvenire*.

### **PREVIOUS EXPERIENCES**

- 1989-90 Research-Fellow at the Military Center for Strategic Studies (CeMiSS) of the Italian Ministry of Defence. Since then he has worked for many Study Groups, both as research-member and director, promoted and supported by that Ministry.
- 1989-99 Member of the Italian Archeological, Historical and Anthropological Mission in Baluchistan, sponsored by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Italian National Council of Research (CNR).
- 1992 – 1995 Ph.D. program in “History and Institutions of Modern and Contemporary History of Asia” from the University of Cagliari with a thesis on

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effects of British colonialism over the traditional power structures in Baluchistan (the research was based on both extensive field-work activities in Baluchistan and archival researches at the National Archives, India Office Library and Records in London and the Archives of Quetta in Pakistan).

- 1997 Director of the Study Group on “Islam and national interest”, for the Italian Ministry of Defence.
- 2003 Visiting Professor at the University of Novosibirsk (Russia).
- 2004-2010 Director of the Middle East Program at the “Landau Network – Centro Volta” (LNCV), Como. From 2010 till 2012 he has been Associate Senior Fellow at the same Institute. In that position he participated at several track-2 programs with Iran, Iraq, North and South Korea sponsored by the Italian MFA and several American and Canadian Foundations and organized more than 10 International Workshops.
- 2005-2006 Visiting Professor at The St. Joseph’s University of Beirut.
- 2005-2010 Scientific coordinator of an Italy – Iraq Bilateral Program of Human- Capacity Building and Scientific-Academic Cooperation with the Iraqi university system, sponsored by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and carried out in coordination with the Iraqi National Academy of Science.
- 2005- 2012 Coordinator of a program of reconciliation among the Iraqi ethno-religious communities and of analysis of the political, security and economic scenarios of that Country sponsored by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- 2006 Director of the Study Group on “Jihadism, channels of radicalization and the problem of returnees Jihadists”, for the Italian Ministry of Defence.
- 2008 Director of the Study Group on the “Future of Nuclear Non-Proliferation”, for the Italian Ministry of Defence.
- 2009, 2013 and 2014 Member of NATO TOLA groups in Afghanistan, visiting ISAF HQ and ISAF local commands and Provincial Reconstruction Teams (PRTs).
- 2010-2012 Senior Expert for a program of “Redirection of former Iraqi WMD scientists through capacity building for decommissioning of nuclear facilities” of the European Commission – EuropeAid Cooperation “.
- 2012-2016 Coordinator of a Study Group of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on the Libyan political and security scenario.
- 2015- 2017 - Coordinator of a program on Religious Freedom and Human Rights of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, with initiatives in Iraq and Jordan.

## **FIELD-WORKS ACTIVITIES**

Since 1989 he carried out field-work researches and language studies in the following Countries:

Pakistan; Afghanistan; Xinjiang; Iran; UAE (emirate of Ras al-Khaymah); Iraq; Libya; Tunisia.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

He published more than 100 monographs, edited books, essays and articles on the history and contemporary politics of the Middle East.

The complete list of his publications is available at the following link:

<https://docenti.unicatt.it/ppd2/it/#/backoffice/it/docenti/05078/riccardo-redaelli/pubblicazioni>

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