

Stefano Mecci

*Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum*

(up-to-date 28-12-2023)

**Education and Work Experience in the Research Field**

- 28/12/2023-Present. Post-Doctoral Research Fellow (“Assegno di Ricerca”). Project PRIN PNRR: “The fragility of Athens. The Greek philosophers’ criticism of demokratia as an opportunity to rethink democratic citizenship” (supervisor: prof. F. Verde), Università degli Studi di Roma “La Sapienza”.
- 01/01/2022-Present: Editorial Board, “Giornale Critico della Filosofia Italiana”.
- 01/11/2021-31/10/2023: Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Storici, Naples (Supervisor: prof. S. Petrucciani).
- 13/03/2023–31/04/2023. Visiting Scholar, Faculty of Arts, KU Leuven (Mentor: prof. G. Roskam).
- 20/02/2023-04/03/2023. Research Scholarship, Fondation Hardt pour l’étude de l’antiquité classique, Vandœuvres (Switzerland).
- 13/06/2022-25/06/2022: Research Scholarship, Fondation Hardt pour l’étude de l’antiquité classique, Vandœuvres (Switzerland).
- 01/10/2021-01/10/2022: Teaching Assistant (“Cultore della Materia”), History of Ancient Philosophy, Department of Culture, Education and Society, University of Calabria.
- 02/07/2021: PhD/Doctoral Degree (University of Roma “Tor Vergata” – Roma Tre). Examination Board: Profs. A. Di Maio (Pontifical Gregorian University); J. Hammerstaedt (University of Cologne); F. Verde (“Sapienza” University of Roma). Mark: Excellent.
- 01/10/2017-31/03/2021: PhD Student, Philosophy, University of Roma “Tor Vergata” – Roma Tre. Thesis Title: “Cinismo e Cristianesimo” (Supervisor: prof. A. Brancacci).
- March 2020. Visiting Phd Student, University of Cologne (Mentor: prof. J. Hammerstaedt).
- First Semester 2019-2020: Guest Student, Faculty of Theology, Pontifical Gregorian University.
- 01/04/2018-31/05/2018: Visiting PhD Student, National University of Ireland, Maynooth (Mentor: prof. W. Desmond).
- October 2017: Admitted to the PhD Research Programme with scholarship at the University of Cagliari [position declined] and at the University of Roma “Tor Vergata” – Roma Tre [position accepted].

- 12/07/2017: Postgraduate Degree (M.A.), Philosophy (History of Ancient Philosophy), Department of Literary, Philosophical and Art History Studies, University of Roma “Tor Vergata”, Mark: 110/110 cum laude. Thesis title: “Studi sul Cinismo greco. Il pensiero politico” (Supervisors: profs. A. Brancacci; F. Alesse).
- 01/03/2016-31/08/2016: “Erasmus” Student, Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen.
- 19/03/2015: Bachelor’s Degree (B.A.), Philosophy (History of Ancient Philosophy), Department of Literary, Philosophical and Art History Studies, University of Roma “Tor Vergata”. Mark: 110/110 cum laude. Thesis title: Il *daimonion* di Socrate nella tradizione socratico-platonica” (Supervisor: prof. A. Brancacci).
- Second Semester 2014-2015: Guest Student, Faculty of Philosophy, Pontifical Gregorian University.

## **Publications**

### Book

- *Cinismo e Cristianesimo delle origini*, Brepols (“Monothéismes et Philosophie”), Turnhout [forthcoming: under contract].

### Edited Volumes

- L. Franchi – S. Mecci – F. Rampinini (eds), *Dein Zetein*, L’Harmattan, Paris [forthcoming: under contract].
- L. De Luca – S. Mecci – F. Stella (eds), *The World as a City. History of a Philosophical Image between the Ancient World and the Three Monotheisms*, Brill, Boston – Leiden [forthcoming].

### Articles and Book Chapters

- “*A dog of heaven*”. *Cynicism and Early Christianity. The similarity in difference*, «Antiquorum Philosophia. An International Journal» [forthcoming: accepted for publication].
- *La Politeia cinica di Diogene di Sinope. Autenticità, contenuto e significato*, «Annali dell’Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Storici» [forthcoming: accepted for publication].
- *Peregrinus Proteus and the “forbidden food”: a comparison between Cynicism and Early Christianity*, in J. Goeken – J. Pia-Comella (eds), *Les cyniques à table*, «Aitia. Regards sur la culture hellénistique au XXIe siècle» [forthcoming: accepted for publication].
- ικετεύω, ικετεία, ικέτης, in E. Bons and J. Joosten (eds), *Historical and Theological Lexicon of the Septuagint*, vol. II, Mohr Siebeck, Tübingen [forthcoming: accepted for publication].

- *Cynic Cosmopolitanism*, in L. De Luca – S. Mecci – F. Stella (eds), *The World as a City. History of a Philosophical Image between the Ancient World and the Three Monotheisms*, Brill, Boston – Leiden [forthcoming].
- *I Cinici e la ridefinizione dei valori. Il sapiente come modello ‘politico’ e ‘religioso’*, in A. Schino – F. Verde (eds), *Filosofia e religione civile*, «Archivio di Filosofia» 91, 2023, 21-31.
- *La virtù impolitica? Il filosofo e il suo ruolo nella città dell’Apologia e nella “digressione” del Teeteto*, in A. Motta (ed.), *Platone e la virtù*, Loffredo, Napoli 2023, 109-121.
- *Epicuro, le Lettere e la Scuola*, «Giornale Critico della Filosofia Italiana» CI (CIII), fasc. 2, 2022, pp. 288-295.
- *Terpsion of Megara and the Socratic Daemon*, in C. Mársico (ed.), *Socrates and the Socratic Philosophies. Selected Papers from Socratica IV*, Academia, Sankt Augustin 2022, 249-262.
- *Gli intellettuali cristiani e l’Impero Romano*, «La Cultura», 3/2021, 485-504.
- *Il demone di Socrate in Massimo di Tiro*, «La Cultura», 2-3/2020, 197-208.
- *Diogenes the Cynic and the gods (Diogenes Laertius VI 44 [= V B 322])*, «Philosophia. Yearbook of the Research Centre for Greek Philosophy at the Academy of Athens», 50, 2020, 157-163.
- *Gesù era cinico? A proposito di una recente pubblicazione sulla Cynic Hypothesis*, «Syzetesis», 7, 2020, 401-425.
- *Il demone di Socrate: l’interpretazione di Terpsione di Megara*, «Maia. Rivista di letterature classiche», 72, 2020, 593-609.
- *Luigia Achillea Stella e l’orazione A Roma di Elio Aristide*, «Giornale Critico della Filosofia Italiana», XCVII (C), 2 (2019), 411-423.
- *Il Diogene di Gabriele Giannantoni*, in A. Brancacci (ed.), μέγιστον ἀγαθόν. *La storiografia filosofica di Gabriele Giannantoni*, Diogene, Bologna 2019, 93-108.
- *The Ethical Implications of Epicurus’ Theology*, «Philosophia. Yearbook of the Research Centre for Greek Philosophy at the Academy of Athens», 48, 2018, 195-204.
- *L’uomo di fronte al divino nella filosofia di Epicuro*, in L. Ghisleri (ed.), *I fondamenti dell’etica e la religione*, Morcelliana, Brescia 2018, 139-146.
- *Il demone di Socrate nel medioplatonismo*, «Giornale Critico della Filosofia Italiana», XCVII (XCIX) 1 (2018), 56-75.
- *Pluralità delle culture e coesistenza umana: la filosofia di Guido Calogero*, in M. Pagano - L. Ghisleri (eds), *I fondamenti dell’etica in prospettiva interculturale*, Morcelliana, Brescia 2017, 131-139.

- *L'etica socratica e il suo fondamento. La ragione (pratica) e il demone*, in I. Poma (ed.), *I fondamenti dell'etica*, Morcelliana, Brescia 2016, 77-85.

### Book Reviews

- O. Flores-Júnior, *La vie facile. Une lecture du cynisme ancien*, Vrin, Paris 2021, «Adamantius. Annuario di letteratura cristiana antica e di studi giudeoellenistici» 29, 2024 [forthcoming].
- S. Husson – J. Lemaire (eds), *Les Trois Républiques. Platon, Diogène de Sinope et Zénon de Citium*, Vrin, Paris 2022, «Polis. The Journal for Ancient Greek and Roman Political Thought» 40, 2023, 547-549.
- J. Sellars, *Hellenistic Philosophy*, OUP, Oxford 2018, «La Cultura», 2/2022, 375-380.
- A. Falcon, *Aristotelismo*, Einaudi, Torino 2017, «La Cultura», 2/2021, 335-341.
- M. Zambon, “Nessun dio è sceso quaggiù”. *La polemica anticristiana dei filosofi antichi*, Carocci, Roma 2019, «Giornale Critico della Filosofia Italiana», C (CII) 1, 2021, 167-169.
- Guido Calogero. *Le Ragioni di Socrate*, a cura di Aldo Brancacci, Mimesis, Milano-Udine 2019, «La Cultura», 1/2020, 153-156.
- A.A. Long, *La mente, l'anima, il corpo. Modelli greci*, italian translation by M. Bonazzi, Einaudi, Torino 2016, «Syzetesis», IV 1 (2017), 151-158.

### **International Conference Presentations**

- “La parrhésie cynique dans la perspective chrétienne: le Cynique Maxime Éroné ‘chien non par l’impudence mais par la franchise’ (Grégoire de Nazianze, Discours XXV)”. 13/12/2023. Invited by the Chair of Classical Philology as part of the seminar led by Jordi Pià-Comella: “Le franc-parler: pratiques grecques, appropriations romaines”, Université de Neuchâtel.
- “Animals and the Environment in Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy”, Wednesday 8 November – Friday 10 November 2023. Online International Conference organised jointly by the University College Cork and Birkbeck, University of London. Organisers: C. Addey and S. Connell. Talk: The dog-like philosophers and the Nature.
- “Democracy after Athens. Theoretical Approaches in Antiquity”, organized by A. Giannotti and Ph.S. Horkey, Durham University, 20th-22nd September 2023. Talk: «La démocratie est morte. Vive le roi». The Early Greek Cynics between Democracy and Alexander the Great.
- Sixth International Congress for PhD Students in Philosophy, Pontifical Catholic University of Chile, 7-10.11.2022. Talk: The Cynic Philanthropy.

- *Socratica V*, organized by “International Society for Socratic Studies”, Rice University, Houston, 11-14.07.2022. Talk: The reception of Socrates in Early Christianity: the case of Justin Martyr.
- Workshop “Le Cynisme. Nouvelles perspectives”, organized by J. Pià-Comella and L. Saudelli, University of Paris 3, Sorbonne Nouvelle, CERAM, IUF, 22.06.2022. Talk: Cynisme et christianisme. La similitude dans la différence.
- Fourth International Conference on Greek Philosophy, organized by the “Sociedad Ibérica de Filosofía Griega”, Complutense University of Madrid, 25-27.04.2022. Talk: Un Gesù Cinico? La *Cynic Hypothesis* al vaglio.
- Online Conference: *The World as a City. A Philosophical Image between Greco-Roman Polytheism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam* (4-7.04.2022). Talk: Cynic Cosmopolitanism
- Organization (with dr. L. De Luca and F. Stella) of the Online Conference *The World as a City. A Philosophical Image between Greco-Roman Polytheism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam* (4-7.04.2022).
- *Socratica IV*, organized by the “International Society for Socratic Studies”, CCK (Sarmiento, 151), Buenos Aires, 13-16.11.2018. Talk: Il demone di Socrate. L'interpretazione di Terpsione di Megara.
- II Iberian Symposium on Greek Philosophy: *Plato and Platonism*, Palma de Mallorca, 27-28.09.2018. Talk: Il demone di Socrate: l'interpretazione di Massimo di Tiro.

## National Conference Presentations

- “Dialoghi”. Conversazioni tra gli allievi dell’Istituto: “La regola e l’eccezione”, Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Storici, Naples 25 May 2023. Talk: La vita del filosofo: regola o eccezione? Il caso del Cinismo.
- Workshop “Historical and Theological Lexicon of the Septuagint”, Fondazione per le scienze religiose, Bologna 14-15 March 2023. Talk: ικετεία, ικετεύω, ικέτης.
- *Seminari dei borsisti*, Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Storici, Naples, 22-23.11.2022. Talk: Giustino Martire e la filosofia antica. L’exemplum Socratis.
- Conference “Tra Alessandria e Roma: Dinamiche etnico-religiose e prospettive politiche della proposta culturale di Filone Alessandrino”, La Sapienza Univ. of Roma/Pontifical Gregorian University, 30-31.05.2022. Talk: Cinismo ed Ebraismo: alcune riflessioni

- “Synodos come Methodos. Sul con-filosofare (*symp hilosophein*)”. *Giornata di studi della facoltà di filosofia*, Pontifical Gregorian University, 28.04.2022. Talk: Il Cinismo antico. Un *philosophein* senza *symp hilosophein*?
- “Dottorali”. *Giornate di Studio*, University of Roma “Tor Vergata” – Roma Tre, 07-11.06.2021. Talk: Cinismo e Cristianesimo.
- *Da Atlantide all’Isola dei Beati. Utopia e distopia nel pensiero antico. Von Atlantis zur Insel der Seligen: Utopie und Dystopie im antiken Denken.* ‘Paideia’ Lectures on the History of ancient Philosophy, 2, University of Roma “Tor Vergata”/University of Calabria, Cosenza/Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen), University of Roma “Tor Vergata”, 06/12/2019. Talk: L’utopia nella tradizione cinica e la *Politeia* di Diogene di Sinope.
- *La storiografia filosofica di Gabriele Giannantoni.* *Giornata di Studio in Memoria*, University of Roma “Tor Vergata”, 30.11.2018. Talk: “Il Cinismo”.
- *Giornata di studio in memoria di Luigia A. Stella. Storica della filosofia antica*, University of Roma “Tor Vergata”, 23.11.2018. (‘Paideia’ Lectures on the History of Ancient Philosophy, 2). Talk: “L’orazione *A Roma* di Elio Aristide”.
- Conference *I fondamenti dell’etica e la religione*, 13-15.09.2017, Vercelli, University of Eastern Piedmont “Amedeo Avogadro”. Talk: Epicuro: un’etica senza dio?
- Conference *I fondamenti dell’etica in prospettiva interculturale*, 14-16.09.2016, Vercelli, University of Eastern Piedmont “Amedeo Avogadro”. Talk: La filosofia del dialogo di Guido Calogero.
- Third International Conference on Greek Philosophy. Organized by the “Sociedad Ibérica de Filosofía Griega”. Lisbon, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, University of Lisbon, 20-22.04.2016. Talk: Il *daimonion* di Socrate in Platone.
- Conference *I fondamenti dell’etica*, 9-11.09.2015, Vercelli, University of Eastern Piedmont “Amedeo Avogadro”. Talk: La ragione (pratica) e il demone.

## **Didactic and Teaching Experience**

- From 08/11/2023 to 22/11/2023. Three online Lectures on the Hellenistic Philosophy, Theology Institute “Mater Ecclesiae”, Chiavari (Genoa).
- 20/11/2023. Lecture on Ancient Cynicism, at the course of “History of Ancient Philosophy” (Prof. D.P. Taormina), B.A., University of Roma “Tor Vergata”.
- From 23/02/2023 to 16/03/2023. Four online Lectures on “Aristotle”, Theology Institute “Mater Ecclesiae”, Chiavari (Genoa).

- From 03/10/2022 to 24/10/2022. Four online Lectures on “Plato”, Theology Institute “Mater Ecclesiae”, Chiavari (Genoa).
- 01/10/2021-01/10/2022. Teaching Assistant (“Cultore della Materia”), University of Calabria. Several online lectures at the course of “Pedagogy and Ancient Philosophy”.
- 30/08/2021-12/09/2021. Teacher. Course Title: “Philosophy for Children”, Primary and Middle School (“Piano Scuola Estate”), School “Giovanni Falcone”, Grottaferrata (Rome).
- 14/06/2021-02/07/2021. Teacher. Course Title: “Philosophy for Children”, Primary and Middle School (“Piano Scuola Estate”), School “Giovanni Falcone”, Grottaferrata (Rome).
- 01/10/2017-31/03/2021. Several lectures at the course of “History of Ancient Philosophy” (Prof. A. Brancacci), B.A. and M.A., University of Roma “Tor Vergata”.

## **Language Skills**

- Italian: mother tongue
- English: excellent knowledge (C1, CAE Certification)
- German: good knowledge (B1, Goethe Institut Zertifikat)
- French: good knowledge
- Ancient Greek: excellent knowledge
- Latin: excellent knowledge

## **Informatic Skills**

Excellent knowledge: Windows; Oxygen XML Editor; Web Working; Pundit; OJS.