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CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Surname	Stragapede
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PRESENT OCCUPATION

Appointment	Structure
Ph.D. Candidate	Scuola Normale Superiore

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Degree	Course of studies	University	year of achievement of the degree
Bachelor degree	Sociology	University of Trento, Italy	2017
Master Degree	MPhil in Sociology (The Sociology of Media and Culture)	University of Cambridge, UK	2019
Ph.D.	Political Science and Sociology	Scuola Normale Superiore, Italy	To be completed in 2024
Other	Erasmus Plus, Department of Politics, Languages and International Studies	University of Bath, UK	2016/2017
Other	Intensive Courses of Standard Arabic and Tunisian dialect	Bourguiba School, Tunis Wissem Arabic Language Institute,	02/2018 - 06/2018 09/2023 - 10/2023



		Tunis	
Other	Summer School: ToMidEast The Left(s) in the MENA Region: Actors, Trajectories and Strategies	University of Turin	26/06/2023 - 30/06/2023
Other	Summer School: Feminist No Border Summer School	FAC research centre (Palermo, Heraklion, Berlin, Athens)	15/06/2022 - 18/06/2022
Other	Summer School: ToMidEast Disorder in the Middle East: Space, Power, and Politics	University of Turin	22/06/2020 - 27/06/2020

REGISTRATION IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Date of registration	Association	City
2023	IMISCOE (International Migration Research Network) <i>Gender and Sexuality in Migration Research</i> (IMISCOE Standing Committee)	
2023	ECPR (European Consortium for Political Research)	

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Languages	level of knowledge
Italian	Native proficiency
English	Full professional proficiency
French	Full professional proficiency
Arabic (MSA and Tunisian dialect)	Professional working proficiency
Spanish	Professional working proficiency

AWARDS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, SCHOLARSHIPS

Year	Description of award
2018-2019	ESRC (Economic and Social Research Council) DTP studentship, University of Cambridge
2019	Merit award, University of Trento, 5000 €
2014-2017	Collegio di Merito "Bernardo Clesio", University of Trento



TRAINING OR RESEARCH ACTIVITY

During my PhD in Political Science and Sociology, I conducted a qualitative work on the exile of Tunisian participants in the 2010-2011 revolutions, encompassing the different experiences of expatriation, forced migration and political exile. Specifically, the research delved into the intersections between the transformations of political subjectivities (memories, emotions and affects) and exile, identifying political agency within artistic and cultural productions, party politics and civil society organisations, feminist and queer solidarity networks, as well as in experiences of self-reflection and community care. To the purposes of this research, I have conducted, between the end of 2020 and the beginning of 2023, a multi-sited participatory ethnography in France (in various locations in Île-de-France and in the south of France), complemented with short-term fieldwork in Germany (two cities), Italy (two cities) and Tunis. Throughout this fieldwork, I collected 20 life-history interviews and 26 in-depth interviews with members of different associations. During the collection of life-history interviews, I have tried different approaches to help my participants recollecting their memories, always ensuring to maintain a safe environment for them. For instance, participants have shared with me objects, videos, photos, drawings, pamphlets or other material pertaining to their story that could facilitate for them the narration of their story. Furthermore, I gathered social network data of political activism in both Tunisia and in the different places of exile, and I reviewed reports from NGOs and associations concerning the Mediterranean migrations and the VISA regime. Finally, I have analysed my written data, with the support of MAXQDA, through thematic and narrative analyses.

During the PhD, as detailed in the table below, I obtained fellowships at various research centres, where I collaborated on team projects and had the chance of significantly developing my own research work. Additionally, between October 2021 and January 2022, I collaborated with the GRDR (*Migration-Citoyenneté-Development*) and the FTCT (*Fédération Tunisiens Citoyen des Deux Rives*) on a joint project aimed at mapping and studying the Tunisian diaspora in France. In particular, I was involved in disseminating the research activities and facilitating the interactive restitution of the study findings to the Tunisian communities.

Before pursuing my PhD, I equally gained empirical research experience, both in academic settings and in collaboration with associations or other institutions. Notably, during my MPhil at the University of Cambridge between 2018 and 2019, I conducted extensive ethnographic work on the memorial practices of political movements in Tunisia, with a specific focus on the “Manich Msamah” (I won’t forgive) political campaign and the grassroots construction of transitional justice in post-2011 Tunisia. Furthermore, during my Bachelor, I collaborated with the Municipality of Trento, specifically the social work unit, in the collection and analysis of interviews within the Roma community of Trento. Following the guidelines of the ROMACT project, the focus of the research was on four key components (home, health, cultural identity, work) and it was aimed at enhancing the work of the social work unit within the community.

Overall, during all my fieldwork experiences, I have consistently discussed ethical practices with the research participants, I monitored and prioritized their well-being throughout the data collection process and I have often employed participatory methods in defining the primary research axes. Finally, I have always been involved in research-restitution practices, adapting them to the needs and requests of my interlocutors.

PROJECT ACTIVITY

Year	Project
2019 - to be completed in 2024	PhD project, Scuola Normale Superiore: <i>What Comes After Hope? The “Children of Ben Ali” Generation Between Revolution and Exile</i> . Supervisors: Donatella della Porta and Lorenzo Bosi
2023 - ongoing	External affiliate at the ERC LIVE - AR project, <i>The subsequent lives of Arab revolutionaries</i> . Principal Investigator: Laura Ruiz de Elvira
2022	Fellowship at MIGRINTER, University of Poitiers. Affiliate at the ANR PACE <i>Crise des</i>



	<i>migrants et des réfugiés en Europe</i> . Supervisor: Olivier Clochard
2021-2022	Finalised and disseminated the research project <i>Photographies et mutations de la diaspora tunisienne en Europe</i> (GRDR and FPCR). Supervisor: Olivier Le Masson
2021	Fellowship at LADYSS (University of Paris 8, Sorbonne, Paris Nanterre). Affiliate at the ERC TARICA project, <i>Political and Socio-Institutional Change in North Africa</i> . Supervisor: Alia Gana
2018-2019	MPhil project, University of Cambridge: <i>Between Political Mobilisation and Transmission of Knowledge: The Tunisian Case of Manich Msamah</i> . Supervisor: Patrick Baert
2017	Internship, Municipality of Trento. Project supervisor: Paolo Boccagni

CONGRESSES AND SEMINARS

Organisation of conferences and panels

Date	Event	Place
2023-2024	LIVE-AR Seminar Series <i>Activist pathways and Political Crises</i> Organised with the LIVE-AR team	Online
July 3-6, 2023	Panel (IMISCOE) “Experiences of Critical Methodologies: Challenging Core Concepts in Migration Studies”	University of Warsaw, Warsaw
November 30 - December 2, 2022	International conference <i>SWANA from Below: Living, Enduring, and Remembering its Revolutions</i> Three participatory workshops after the conference: Creativity and research; out of academia; sensitive fieldwork. In collaboration with the DREAM project (Drafting and Enacting the Revolutions in the Arab Mediterranean) Co-organised with Sarah ElMasry and Donatella della Porta	Scuola Normale Superiore, Florence
September 20-24, 2022	Panel (Insaniyyat) “The Post in Post-Revolutionary Times: Questioning Activism in the Arab World” Co-organised with Sarah ElMasry	University of La Manouba, Tunis

Oral presentations in academic conferences

Date	Event	Place
February 13, 2024	Seminar, “The Afterlife of Women’s Participation in the 2011 Egyptian Uprising”. Discussant	Online, within the seminar series “Activist pathways and Political Crises” (2023-2024), LIVE-AR project



November 9-10, 2023	Conference, “Territories and Identities. A Critical Perspective on Belonging”. Discussant	Scuola Normale Superiore, Firenze
September 4-8, 2023	Conference, ECPR. Chair and presenter (with paper)	Charles University, Prague
July 3-6, 2023	Conference, IMISCOE. Chair and presenter (with paper)	University of Warsaw, Warsaw
April 4, 2023	Conference, <i>Journée d'études sur la mémoire en exil</i> . Presenter (with paper)	Institut Convergences Migrations, Paris and online
March 6, 2023	Seminar, “The Revolutionary Horizon Between Defeat and Figures of Fate”. Presenter (with paper)	Online, within the seminar series “Temporalities of revolt” (2023-2024), DREAM project (Drafting and Enacting the Revolutions in the Arab Mediterranean)
November 30 - December 2, 2022	Conference, “SWANA from Below: Living, Enduring, and Remembering its Revolutions”. Presenter (with paper), chair, discussant, keynote’s moderator, facilitator of one workshop	Scuola Normale Superiore, Florence
November 11, 2022	Virtual research workshop. Presenter (with paper)	Online, POMEPS (The Project on Middle East Political Science)
September 20-24, 2022	Conference, Insaniyyat, International Forum for Humanities and Social Sciences. Presenter (with paper)	University of La Manouba, Tunis
April 21-22, 2022	Conference, 13 th European Graduate Network. Presenter (with paper)	EUI, Florence
December 14-15, 2021	Conference, Mobilisations, protestations et répressions en Méditerranée : imaginaires et espaces « en commun » ?. Presenter (with paper)	MMSH and OREM (Observatoire des Relations Euro-Méditerranéennes), Aix-en-Provence
October 12, 2022 and March, 9, 2022	Workshop of doctoral writing, <i>L’Année du Maghreb, Travaux en Cours sur le Maghreb</i>	MMSH, Aix-en-Provence
January 28-30, 2021	Conference, <i>2010-2020 Une Décennie de Changements Dans le Monde Arabe</i> . Presenter (with paper)	Online, UMA/ULB (Université de la Manouba and Université Libre de Bruxelles)

PUBLICATIONS

Books
<i>Creare geografie femministe: Pratiche intersezionali nella Tunisia post-rivoluzionaria</i> . Manifesta, Astarte Edizioni, <i>forthcoming</i> in Spring 2025, Stragapede, M. N. and Simoncini G.



Articles
Stragapede, M. N. “I was in exile before leaving the country”. <i>Tunisia and the Feminist Legacies of Activism</i> . Società Mutamento Politica, forthcoming in March 2024
ElMastry, S., Stragapede, M.N., Della Porta. D. (special issue editors). <i>Living, Remembering, and Enduring Revolutionary Times: Insights from the Mediterranean</i> . Mediterranean Politics, forthcoming in 2024
Stragapede, M. N. <i>The Ben Ali’s ‘Web of Silence’. The Intimate Politics of a Leftist Generation</i> . Mediterranean Politics, forthcoming in 2024

OTHER INFORMATION

Lecturing and teaching experience

Lecturer at <i>Scuola di Orientamento Universitario</i> . Class: <i>Sperimentare con le Scienze Sociali: Scrivere, Fotografare e Comprendere il Reale</i> , Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa, 8 July 2023
Lecturer at the Summer School <i>ToMidEast, The Left in the MENA Region: Actors, Trajectories, and Strategies</i> , Class: <i>Reflexive Methodologies: Decolonising Knowledge Production</i> , University of Turin, 30 June 2023
Guest lecturer in the course <i>After Fieldwork: Methodological Reflexions</i> (Prof. Lorenzo Bosi), Class: <i>Memories of Fieldwork</i> , Scuola Normale Superiore, Catania, 16 November 2022
Guest lecturer in the course, <i>Histoire et Sciences Sociales du Maghreb: Dynamiques de Recherche et Enjeux Présent</i> (Prof. Jocelyne Dakhli), EHESS, Paris, 30 May 2022
Guest lecturer in the PhD seminar « <i>Qu’avons-nous eu le lendemain ?</i> » <i>Désillusion(s) et imaginaires politiques dans l’espace transnational tunisien</i> , LADYSS, Paris, 7 December 2021
Guest lecturer in the course <i>Cultural Approaches to Collective Action</i> (Prof. Lorenzo Zamponi), 6 May 2021, Scuola Normale Superiore, Florence, 6 May 2021

Public engagement

Collaboration with the following grassroots organisations and NGOs: NOSOTRAS, Firenze (2023-ongoing) Mediterranea, Roma (2023) Utopia 56, Paris (2021) CARITAS, Tunis (2018) Volontrinstrada, Trento (2015-2016)



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