

Antonio Fiori

CURRENT POSITION

- 2021-Present President of the *Asia Institute* (site.unibo.it/asiainstitute/en), Bologna.
2014-Present Associate Professor of Asian History and Institutions, Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna, Forli branch.

EDUCATION

- 2002-2006 Ph.D. in Political Science – Comparative Analysis of Democracies, University of Pavia.
2001-2002 M.Sc. in Organization and Economic Development, University of Bologna.
1990-1997 B.A. in East Asian Languages, *magna cum laude*, University of Naples.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2021-2022 Visiting Professor, Ewha Womans University, Seoul, Republic of Korea, in residence June-July.
2016-2019 Adjunct Professor, Korea University, International Summer Campus, Seoul, Republic of Korea.
2014 Visiting Researcher, Field Research Fellowship, The Korea Foundation, Seoul, Republic of Korea, in residence February-June.
2011 Visiting Fellow, Kyujanggak Institute for Korean Studies, Seoul National University, Republic of Korea, in residence March-September.
2010-2012 Scientific Director of the Summer School Program in “European Politics and Culture” organized in cooperation with the Fondazione Alma Mater (Bologna) and the United International College (Zhuhai, PRC).
2008-2013 The Korea Foundation Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Political and Social Studies, University of Bologna.
2008 POSCO-Korea Foundation Visiting Fellow, East-West Center, Honolulu, USA, in residence May-July.
2006-2008 Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Department of Politics, Institutions, History, University of Bologna.
2006 Visiting Fellow, United International College, Zhuhai, PRC, in residence September-December.
2002-2006 Research Assistant, Political Studies, University of Bologna.

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Single-authored:

- 2022 *Asia. Storia, Istituzioni e Relazioni Internazionali*, Firenze: Le Monnier.

- 2021 *Il Nido del Falco. Mondo e Potere in Corea del Nord* (seconda edizione), Firenze: Le Monnier.
- 2018 *Dallo sviluppo economico alla solidarietà sociale. Sanità e Pensioni in Corea*, Milano: Mimesis.
- 2016 *Il Nido del Falco. Mondo e Potere in Corea del Nord*, Firenze: Le Monnier.
- 2010 *L'Asia Orientale. Dal 1945 ai giorni nostri*, Bologna: Il Mulino.

Edited:

- 2021 *Routledge Handbook of Europe-Korea Relations* (with N. Casarini, N.K. Kim, J.S. Lee, R. Pacheco Pardo), London & New York: Routledge.
- 2019 *Russia and China in a Global World* (with Stefano Bianchini), Leiden: Brill.
- 2019 *The Korean Paradox: South Korean Domestic Political Divide and its Consequences on Foreign and Security Policy* (with Marco Milani and Matteo Dian), London & New York: Routledge.
- 2018 *Russia e Cina nel Mondo Globale. Due Potenze fra Dinamiche Interne e Internazionali* (with Stefano Bianchini), Roma: Carocci.
- 2017 *Enigma Corea del Nord. Storia e Segreti di una Nuova Potenza Atomica* (with Axel Berkofsky), Milano: Mondadori.
- 2014 *The Chinese Challenge to the Western Order* (with Matteo Dian), Trento: FBK Press.
- 2013 *Crisi, trasformazioni, continuità. Il sistema internazionale negli anni Settanta* (with M. Del Pero, E. Baroncelli, A. Pallotti), Soveria Mannelli: Rubbettino.

Articles:

- 2022 “La risposta della Corea del Sud al COVID-19: un modello di successo?,” *Bibliomanie*, 53.
- 2017 “Whither the Inter-Korean Dialogue? Assessing Seoul’s Trustpolitik and its Future Prospects,” *IAI Working Papers*, 17/13, March, pp. 1-18.
- 2016 “Piccoli leader crescono,” *Limes. Rivista Italiana di Geopolitica*, 12, pp. 45-56.
- 2016 “La corsa cinese alle risorse naturali africane,” *Mondo Cinese*, 158, pp. 88-101.
- 2015 “Seventy Years After World War II: Comparing Europe and Northeast Asia’s Security Architectures” (with Andrea Passeri), *The Korean Journal of Defense Analysis*, 27(2): 233-245 (SSCI listed).
- 2015 “Il riassetto dell’Asia Centrale ed il ruolo della Corea del Sud” (with Andrea Passeri), *Il Politico*, 236: 148-163.
- 2015 “Hedging in Search of a New Age of Non-Alignment: Myanmar Between China and the U.S.” (with Andrea Passeri), *The Pacific Review*, 28(5): 679-702 (SSCI listed).
- 2014 “Jasmine Does Not Bloom in Pyongyang: the Persistent Non-transition in North Korea” (with Sunhyuk Kim), *Pacific Focus*, 29(1): 44-67 (SSCI listed).
- 2014 “Manifestations Antiaméricaines en Corée du Sud dans les Années 2000: une Forme de Nationalisme Revendiqué,” *Outre-Terre*, 39: 162-178.
- 2014 “Taiwan e Corea. Clientele d’Oriente,” *Mondoperaio*, 2: 61-69.
- 2013 “La nuova diplomazia triangolare birmana fra Washington e Pechino” (with Andrea Passeri), *Geopolitica*, 11(2/3): 103-117.
- 2011 “The Dynamics of Welfare Policy-Making in South Korea: Social Movements as Policy Entrepreneurs” (with Sunhyuk Kim), *Asian Social Work and Policy Review*, 5: 61-78.
- 2010 “Civil Society After Democracy: the Evolution of Civic Activism in South Africa and Korea” (with Lorenzo Fioramonti), *Journal of Civil Society*, 6(1): 23-38.
- 2010 “The Changing Roles of Civil Society in Democratization: Evidence From South Africa (1990-2009) and South Korea (1987-2009)” (with Lorenzo Fioramonti), *African & Asian Studies*, 9(1-2): 83-104. (SSCI listed)

- 2010 "Civil Society as Policy Entrepreneur: the Enactment of NBLA Act in Korea," *Korean Studies Forum*, 4: 109-135.
- 2009 "Rischio Corea," *Il Mulino*, 4: 601-609.
- 2008 "Società civile e democrazia in Corea: una valutazione dell'esperienza del CAGE," *Quaderni Asiatici*, 82: 41-56.
- 2006 "From *Developmentalism* to *Productivism*: the Pathway of Korean Welfare State Development" (with C. Aspalter), *Journal of Societal and Social Policy*, 5(2): 21-40.
- 2005 "Development, Democracy and the Politics of Health Care Policy in Korea," *Asian Journal of Social Policy*, 1(1): 43-64.

Book Chapters:

- 2022 "La tattica della distensione: La diplomazia di Pak Chonghui tra paura dell'abbandono, apertura strategica e riforma Yusin," in *Asian Community and Europe*, I. Jung, ed., Pisa: Pacini Editore, pp. 73-107.
- 2021 "China and the BRI: Challenges and Opportunities for Southeast Asia," (with Alessandro Albana), in *Rebalancing Asia. The Belt and Road Initiative and Indo-Pacific Strategy*, P. Jaiswal and D.P. Bhatt, Berlin: Springer, pp. 149-159.
- 2021 "Europe and Inter-Korean Relations," (with Marco Milani), in *Routledge Handbook of Europe-Korea Relations*, N. Casarini, N.K. Kim, A. Fiori, J.S. Lee, R. Pacheco Pardo, eds., London & New York: Routledge, pp. 423-437.
- 2020 "Central Asia in China's Energy Strategy," in *Russia and China in a Global World*, S. Bianchini and A. Fiori, eds., Leiden: Brill, pp. 378-403.
- 2019 "The Sino-African Relationship: an Intense and Long Embrace," in *Soft Power with Chinese Characteristics: China's Campaign for Hearts and Minds*, K. Edney, S. Rosen, Y. Zhu, eds., Abingdon: Routledge, pp. 188-206.
- 2019 "Crossing Boundaries: South Korea's Global Diplomacy Outside Northeast Asia," (with K. Gray; S. Kim; A. Passeri), in *The Korean Paradox. Domestic Political Divide and Foreign Policy in South Korea*, London & New York: Routledge, pp. 157-178.
- 2019 "Interpreting South Korea's foreign and security policy under the "Asian Paradox"," (with M. Milani and M. Dian), in *The Korean Paradox. Domestic Political Divide and Foreign Policy in South Korea*, London & New York: Routledge, pp. 1-15.
- 2019 "The impact of political alternation on South Korea's foreign policy," (with M. Milani), in *The Korean Paradox. Domestic Political Divide and Foreign Policy in South Korea*, London & New York: Routledge, pp. 30-53.
- 2018 "Civil Society and Democracy in South Korea: a Reassessment," (with Sunhyuk Kim), in *Korea's Quest for Economic Democratization. Globalization, Polarization and Contention*, Y. Kim, ed., London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2018, pp. 141-170.
- 2018 "I rapporti sino-russi dopo la crisi ucraina," in *Russia e Cina nel Mondo Globale. Due Potenze fra Dinamiche Interne e Internazionali*, S. Bianchini and A. Fiori, eds. Roma: Carocci, pp. 185-201.
- 2018 "Mao Zedong: l'uomo, il mito e il suo viaggio a Occidente" (with Andrea Passeri), in *Quel che resta di Mao*, M. Tesini e L. Zambenardi, ed., Firenze: Le Monnier, pp. 41-64.
- 2017 "Karma e Soft Power: la "diplomazia del Buddha" cinese in Myanmar," (con A. Passeri), in *Geopolitica. L'era di Xi Jinping: bilanci e prospettive*, Roma, Edizioni Nuova Cultura, pp. 57-74.
- 2017 "Nel nome del padre: le due successioni a confronto," in *Enigma Corea del Nord. Storia e Segreti di una Nuova Potenza Atomica*, A. Berkofsky e A. Fiori, ed., Milano: Mondadori, pp. 13-38.
- 2017 "Lo sviluppo del programma nucleare e missilistico e le sue implicazioni regionali" (con F. Frassinetti), in *Enigma Corea del Nord. Storia e Segreti di una Nuova Potenza Atomica*, A. Berkofsky e A. Fiori, ed., Milano: Mondadori, pp. 121-145.

- 2017 “Civil Society and Democracy in South Korea: a Reassessment” (with Sunhyuk Kim), in *Korea's Quest for Economic Democratization*, Y. Kim, ed., London: Palgrave Macmillan, forthcoming.
- 2017 “L’evoluzione dei rapporti tra Cina e Corea del Nord nell’era di Xi Jinping,” in *CinaReport*, M. Miranda, ed., Roma: Carocci, pp. 91-108.
- 2016 “Playing Hide-and-Seek: Park Geun-hye’s Trustpolitik in Distress” (with Marco Milani), in *Hangukhak Charyo. Uno Sguardo sulla Corea Contemporanea*, G. De Nicola, ed., Roma: Aracne editrice, pp. 45-78.
- 2015 “L’ascesa del Giappone tra il XIX e XX secolo e la prima Guerra mondiale,” in *I cinque anni che sconvolsero il mondo. La prima Guerra mondiale (1914-1918)*, P. Pombeni, ed., Roma: Edizioni Studium, pp. 108-118.
- 2014 “The New Center of Power: Political and Strategic Trends in Asia Pacific,” in *Flexible Frameworks: Beyond Borders*, F. Casprini, S. Lucarelli, A. Marrone, eds., Brussels: NATO HQ, pp. 30-40.
- 2014 “Introduction - The China Challenge: Opportunity or Threat?” (with Matteo Dian), in *The Chinese Challenge to the Western Order*, A. Fiori and M. Dian, eds, Trento: FBK Press, pp. 11-21.
- 2014 “A Thirsty Dragon: China’s Oil Diplomacy,” in *The Chinese Challenge to the Western Order*, A. Fiori and M. Dian, eds, Trento: FBK Press, pp. 73-102.
- 2014 “Where Giants Meet: the Sino–American Soft–Competition in Southeast Asia. The Cases of Vietnam and Myanmar” (with Andrea Passeri), in *The Chinese Challenge to the Western Order*, A. Fiori and M. Dian, eds, Trento: FBK Press, pp. 105-121.
- 2014 “The Potential of Civil Society in Regional Governance in East Asia” (with Sunhyuk Kim), in *Civil Society and World Regions*, L. Fioramonti, ed., Lanham: Lexington Books, pp. 77-90.
- 2012 “L’emergere dell’Asia nella storiografia contemporanea,” in *Introduzione alla Storia Contemporanea*, S. Cavazza e P. Pombeni, eds., Bologna: Il Mulino, pp. 215-234.
- 2012 “1949. La Rivoluzione Cinese,” in *Introduzione alla Storia Contemporanea*, S. Cavazza e P. Pombeni, eds., Bologna: Il Mulino, pp. 333-339.
- 2012 “1950. La Guerra di Corea,” in *Introduzione alla Storia Contemporanea*, S. Cavazza e P. Pombeni, eds., Bologna: Il Mulino, pp. 341-347.
- 2011 “La Cina in Africa: un primo bilancio,” in *La base del triangolo. L’Asia e i rapporti Sud-Sud nel mondo globale*, G. Calchi Novati, ed., Roma: Carocci, pp. 87-107.
- 2011 “Il problema AIDS in Indonesia,” *Atlante di Geopolitica*, Roma: Istituto dell’Enciclopedia Italiana, p. 595.
- 2011 “I costi della riunificazione,” *Atlante di Geopolitica*, Roma: Istituto dell’Enciclopedia Italiana, p. 455.
- 2011 “Lo sviluppo del programma nucleare nordcoreano,” *Atlante di Geopolitica*, Roma: Istituto dell’Enciclopedia Italiana, p. 463.
- 2011 “Le ONG sudcoreane in Corea del Nord alla metà degli anni '90,” in *La Società Civile in Asia: ricostruzione, pacificazione e aperture democratiche*, E. Giunchi, ed., Milano: ObarraO edizioni, pp. 227-248.
- 2010 “Donne e democrazia: il dilemma coreano,” in *Essere Donna in Asia: diritti, potere, impresa*, G. Calchi Novati, ed., Roma: Carocci, pp. 101-116.
- 2010 “The Democratic People’s Republic of Korea and the United States: Problems of a Troubled Relationship” (with Andrea Bizzarri), in *Mélanges Offerts à Marc Orange et Alexandre Guillemoz*, Cahiers de l’IEC, Collège de France, pp. 153-162.
- 2009 “La società civile, protagonista in Corea del Sud,” *Asia, Una Transizione Sostenibile*, G. Calchi Novati, ed., Roma: Carocci, pp. 135-148.

Entries:

- 2017 22 entries (Chen Cheng, Deng Tuo, Duan Qirui, Education Through Labor, Feng Yuxiang, Feng Xuefeng, Guo Moruo, He Yingqin, Hunan Peasant Movement, Luo Ruiqing, Mao Dun, Mei Lanfang, Nian Rebellion, Prime Minister, Reform Through Labor, Resist America Aid Korea, Revolutionary Committee of the Chinese Kuomintang, Revolutionary Committees, Socialist Education Movement, Sufan Movement, Wang Hongwen, Zhang Guotao), in *Encyclopedia of Chinese History*, M. Dillon, ed., London & New York: Routledge.

Book Reviews:

- 2020 Nuclear North Korea: a Debate on Engagement Strategies, by V.D. Cha and D.C. Kang. *The International Spectator*, 55(1): 148-150.
- 2013 The Impossible State: North Korea, Past and Future, by V.D. Cha. *Journal of Asian Studies*, 73(1): 261-264.
- 2013 North Korea: Beyond Charismatic Politics, by H. Kwon and B.H. Chung. *Journal of Asian Studies*, 73(1): 261-264.
- 2013 Marigold. The Lost Chance for Peace in Vietnam, by J.G. Hershberg. *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 3: 408-409.
- 2013 Eurasia. Storia di un Miracolo, by J. Goody. *Nuova Informazione Bibliografica*, 2: 452-455.
- 2012 The Cold War in Asia: the Battle for Hearts and Minds, by Y. Zheng, H. Liu, M. Szonyi, eds. *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 3: 375-376.
- 2012 China's Rise and the Two Koreas: Politics, Economics, Security, by S. Snyder. *North Korean Review*, 8(12): 160-162.
- 2010 When Leaders Learn and When They Don't: Mikhail Gorbachev and Kim Il-Sung at the End of the Cold War, by A. Malici. *North Korean Review*, 6(1): 135-137.
- 2010 The Chinese Worker After Socialism, by W. Hurst, *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 1: 115-116.
- 2010 Democracy in Occupied Japan: The U.S. Occupation and Japanese Politics and Society, by M.E. Caprio and Y. Sugita, eds. *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 1: 115.
- 2009 Nation Building in South Korea: Koreans, Americans, and the Making of a Democracy, by G. Brazinsky. *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 2: 253-254.
- 2009 Selling the Korean War: Propaganda, Politics, and Public Opinion in the United States, 1950-53, by S. Casey. *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 2: 303-304.
- 2008 Storia della Corea. Dalle origini ai nostri giorni, by M. Riotto. *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 2: 204-205.
- 2008 Laogai. I gulag di Mao Tsedong, by H. Wu. *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 2: 205-207.
- 2007 Mao: the Unknown Story, by J. Chang and J. Halliday. *Ricerche di Storia Politica*, 3: 352-353.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2021-Present Coordinator of the Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education project ENGAGE (ASEAN Student Engagement Initiative), € 980.452,00.
- 2017-2021 Coordinator of the Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education project CHINLONE (Connecting Higher education Institutions for a New Leadership on National Education), € 991.504,00.
- 2016-2020 Member of the University of Bologna Research Unit in the project GLOBUS – Reconsidering European Contributions to Global Justice (H2020 2016-2020).
- 2015-2018 Scientific Co-coordinator of the project “Russia-China in the Global World,” Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna, Forlì branch (funded by the Fondazione Cassa dei Risparmi di Forlì through an endowment of € 220.000).

- 2013-2016 Incubation of Korean Studies in Italy, Academy of Korean Studies, Member of the Research Unit, University of Rome “La Sapienza”, 3 years (2013.07.01-2016.06.30), € 49.000.
- 2010-2015 Member of the Research Unit, ERC 2010 (Starting Grant, European Research Council, Grant Agreement no. 262873, “Ideas”, VII Framework Program European Union): “The Economic, Social and Political Consequences of Democratic Reforms. A Quantitative and Qualitative Comparative Analysis” (COD).
- 2012-2014 Korean Studies Grant, Academy of Korean Studies, US\$14,000 for “After Unification: Toward Reconciliation, Mutual Trust, and a Common Identity” research project, Principal Investigator.
- 2010-2012 Member of the Research Unit coordinated by Prof. G. Carbone (University of Milan), PRIN “Gli effetti della democratizzazione sul social welfare: un’analisi comparata delle nuove democrazie”.
- 2009-2011 Korean Studies Grant, Academy of Korean Studies, US\$10,000 for “Virtues and Vices of Civil Society: South Korea and South Africa in Comparison” research project, Principal Investigator.
- 2008 Travel Grant, Association for Korean Studies in Europe.
- 2006 Marco Polo scholarship for post-doctoral studies, University of Bologna, € 5,000.
- 2002 Scholarship for doctoral studies in political sciences, Bologna Chamber of Commerce, € 6,000.
- 2001 Korean Language Training Fellowship, The Korea Foundation.
- 2000 Translation Fellowship, Korean Culture and Arts Foundation.
- 1999 Korean Government Scholarship, National Institute for International Educational Development.
- 1997 Korean Language Training Fellowship, The Korea Foundation.

INVITED TALKS, PRESENTATIONS, CONFERENCES (selection)

- 2019 *The Peace Treaty: A Blessing or a Curse for the Korean Peninsula?* (with Sunhyuk Kim), World Congress for Korean Politics and Society and the Annual Summer Meeting of the Korean Political Science Association (KPSA), Konkuk University, Seoul, June 24-26.
- 2019 *Soft Power or Hard Threat? The influence of South Korean Cultural Production on North Korea and Inter-Korean Relations* (with Marco Milani), Media Mutations Conference, “Media, Diplomacy and Soft Power. Exploring the Relations Between Emerging Markets and Western Countries”, Bologna, Italy, May 20-21.
- 2019 *South Korea’s Democracy in Danger? Assessing the State of Democracy in South Korea Between Consolidation and Backlash*, 29th edition of the AKSE (Association for Korean Studies in Europe), Rome, Italy, April 11-14.
- 2018 *Karma and Soft Power: China’s Buddhist Diplomacy in Myanmar* (with Andrea Passeri), Association for Asian Studies Conference, “The Use of Culture in Foreign and Security Policy”, Washington, D.C., United States of America, March 23.
- 2017 *China and Russia in Central Asia: Competition or Cooperation?*, Association for Slavic, East European & Eurasian Studies, “Russia and China in the Global World. State and Society: Between Internal Dynamics and External Projections”, Chicago, IL, United States of America, November 10.
- 2017 *Trustpolitik: an Assessment After Park Geun-hye’s Demise* (with Marco Milani), The World Congress for Korean Politics and Society, “Rebuilding Trust in Peace and Democracy”, Yonsei University, Seoul, Republic of Korea, June 23.

- 2015 *The Perspective of Korean Studies in Europe and the Relationship with Social Sciences*, The Korea Foundation Korean Studies Assembly 2015, “Korea and Korean Studies in the World, 70 Years after Independence,” The Westin Chosun, Seoul, Republic of Korea, July 24.
- 2014 *The Development of Inter-Korean Relations and Trustpolitik*, Seoul National University, Seoul, June 12.
- 2014 Park Geun Hye’s *Trustpolitik* and Her Approach to the North Korean Issue, Academy of Korean Studies, Seoul, April 9.
- 2013 Civil Society and Democracy in South Korea: A Reassessment (with Sunhyuk Kim), “Polarization in Divided Societies: Korea in a Global Context”, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, September 2-4.
- 2013 *Trustpolitik* and the Future of Inter-Korean Relations, Korea University, *Friedrich Ebert Stiftung* special lecture, Global Research Institute, Graduate School of International Studies, Seoul, July 18.
- 2013 Hedging in Search of a New Age of Non-Alignment: Myanmar Between China and the U.S (with Andrea Passeri), 6th Conference of the Italian Standing Group on International Relations, Trento, Italy, June 20-22.
- 2013 Reignite Sunshine Policy: the Best Way to Improve Inter-Korean Relations?, University of Vienna, Vienna, May 31.
- 2013 Anti-Americanism in Korea in the 2000s, EPEL program Invited Speaker, Université Paris Diderot, Paris VII, Centre Chine-Corée-Japon, Paris, April 3.
- 2011 Immigration, Multiculturalism, and Welfare State in Korea, Kyujanggak Colloquium, Kyujanggak Institute of Korean Studies, Seoul, September 27.
- 2011 The Jasmine Revolution and the Persistent Non-transition in North Korea (with Sunhyuk Kim), World Congress for Korean Politics and Society and the Annual Summer Meeting of the Korean Political Science Association (KPSA), Incheon, Korea, August 23-25.
- 2011 The Institutionalization of Environmental Social Movements in Korea, Green Politics: The Environment and Community, 21st Century Political Science Association, Gyeongsan National University, Jinju, Korea, August 18.
- 2011 Korean Civil Society: Past and Present, The Korea Foundation Summer Lecture Series, The Korea Foundation Cultural Center, Seoul, July 14.
- 2011 Korean Studies in Comparative Perspective: A European Point of View, The Korea Foundation Assembly, Seoul, July 7.
- 2010 Civil Society After Democracy: the Evolution of Civil Society in South Africa and Korea, 5th World Congress of Korean Studies, Chinese Culture University, Taipei, October 25-28.
- 2010 The Changing Roles of Civil Society During Democratization: Evidence From South Africa and Korea (with Lorenzo Fioramonti), Pretoria University, Department of Political Sciences, Pretoria, January 29.
- 2009 The Dynamics of Welfare Policy-Making in South Korea: Social Movements as Policy Entrepreneurs (with Sunhyuk Kim), World Congress for Korean Politics and Society & The Annual Summer Meeting of the Korean Political Science Association (KPSA), Seoul, August 20-22.
- 2009 Aging and Welfare in Korea and in Italy: A Comparative Perspective, Korea University, Department of Public Administration, ERGAPAH, August 19.
- 2009 Civil Society and Government in Welfare Policymaking in Korea (with Sunhyuk Kim), World Civic Forum 2009, Building Our Humanitarian Planet, Seoul, May 5-8.
- 2008 Policy Entrepreneurs and Public Assistance; the NBLA Act in Korea, Yonsei University, Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS), Yonsei – The Korea Foundation Korean Studies Forum, Seoul, September 18.
- 2008 Policy Entrepreneurs and Public Assistance: the NBLA Act in Korea, East-West Center, Honolulu, USA, July 15.
- 2008 The Impact of NGOs on the Enactment of the NBLA Act in Korea, Association for Asian Studies Biennial Conference, Atlanta, USA, April 3-6.

- 2008 Social Movements in Korea: Past and Present, EPEL program Invited Speaker, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Centre Corée, Paris, March 21.
- 2007 Civil Society and Welfare State Development in Korea, World Congress for Korean Politics and Society & The Annual Summer Meeting of the Korean Political Science Association (KPSA), Busan, Korea, August 23-25.
- 2007 The Possibility of Welfare State in Korea. Out of the Crisis, Toward a Comprehensive Welfare State, 23rd edition of the AKSE (Association for Korean Studies in Europe), Dourdan, France, April 16-20.
- 2006 From Invisibility to Active Participation: The Role of Civil Society in Welfare State Development in Korea, 8th edition of the PACKS (Pacific and Asian Conference on Korean Studies), Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India, December 15-17.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate courses:

- 2020-present International Relations of East Asia, University of Bologna.
- 2020-present Politiche di Sicurezza in Asia (Security Policies in East Asia), University of Bologna.
- 2011-present East Asia and the International System, University of Bologna.
- 2015-2019 Democrazie e autoritarismi in Asia (Democracies and Authoritarianisms in Asia), University of Bologna.
- 2014-2019 Politics of Contemporary Asia, University of Bologna.
- 2008-2014 Sviluppo Politico e Sociale in Asia (Social and Political Development in Asia), Department of Politics, Institutions, History, University of Bologna.

Undergraduate courses:

- 2008-14 Politiche e Istituzioni della Corea e dell'Asia (Politics and Institutions of Korea and Asia), Department of Politics, Institutions, History, University of Bologna.
- 2007-08 Comparative Political History of Asia, Department of Politics, Institutions, History, University of Bologna.
- 2006 Political and Social Institutions of Korea, Department of Politics, Institutions, History, University of Bologna.
- 2006 China: Modernization, Economic Development and Social Change, Department of Politics, Institutions, History, University of Bologna.

Summer Courses:

- 2021-2022 Politics in Korea & East Asia, Ewha International Summer College, Ewha Womans University, Seoul.
- 2021 North Korea: History, Politics and Society, Ewha International Summer College, Ewha Womans University, Seoul.
- 2016-2019 Understanding Korean Politics, International Summer Campus, Korea University, Seoul.
- 2016-2019 International Relations of Asia, International Summer Campus, Korea University, Seoul.
- 2011-15 Peace and Conflict in Northeast Asia: China, Korea and Japan, International Summer Session, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Seoul.
- 2012-13 The Korean War, International Summer Session, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Seoul.

2014-15 Politics and Foreign Policy of Korea, International Summer Session, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Seoul.

Ph.D. supervision:

Alessandro Albana Ph.D. Candidate in Global and International Studies, University of Bologna, thesis entitled “The Chinese Maritime Rise: Implications for the East Asian Security Framework.”

Francesca Frassinetti Ph.D. Candidate in Global and International Studies, University of Bologna, thesis entitled “South Korea’s Middle Power Diplomacy: Searching for Autonomy Amid Regional Constraints.”

Sergio Miracola Ph.D. Candidate in Political History, IMT School for Advanced Studies Lucca, thesis entitled “Chinese Strategic Culture.”

Francesco Sassi Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science-Geopolitics, University of Pisa, thesis entitled “The Challenge of Energy Security: China, Russia and the Central Asian Issue.”

Post-Doctoral supervision:

Andrea Passeri Research Fellow, Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna, working on “State Nationalism Changing Identities and Foreign Policy Formulation. The Case of Contemporary China.”

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Journal and series editorial board:

International Journal of Korean Unification Studies, ISSN: 1229-6902.
Journal of International and Global Studies, ISSN: 2158-0669.
Global Politics Review, ISSN: 2464-9929.
Hangukhak Charyo, published by Aracne editrice, Roma. ISBN: 978-88-548-8453-3.
Cina Report, published by Carocci, Roma. ISBN: 978-88-430-8292-6.

Professional affiliations:

Association for Asian Studies (AAS)
Association for Korean Studies in Europe (AKSE)
Centro di Ricerca Italia-Asia (Italy-Asia Research Center)
Korean Political Science Association (KPSA)

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

2021-Present Director of the Degree Program in “International Politics and Economics,” Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna, Forlì branch.

2018-2021 Director of the Degree Program in “International Politics and Markets,” Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna, Forlì branch.

2015-Present The University of Bologna Rector’s Delegate for Asia and Oceania.

2015-Present Member of the Commission for the Evaluation of International Mobility Projects (Ph.D. candidates and faculty).

2015-Present Member of the Commission for Overseas program mobility.

- 2016-2018 Member of the Ph.D. Scientific Board in “Histories, Cultures and Politics of the Global World,” Department of Political and Social Sciences and Department of History, Cultures and Civilization, University of Bologna.
- 2015-2016 Member of the Ph.D. Scientific Board in “Global and International Studies,” Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna.
- 2010-2012 Director of the Summer School Program in “European Politics and Culture” organized in cooperation with the Fondazione Alma Mater (Bologna) and the United International College (Zhuhai, PRC).

TEACHING AREAS

Contemporary History of East Asia
Inter-Korean Relations
North Korean Domestic and International Policies
Asian Politics
International Relations of Asia
Political and Social Development in East Asia

LANGUAGES

Italian: native speaker
English: fluent
Japanese: basic
Korean: basic-intermediate