



Marialucia Benaglia

● WORK EXPERIENCE

04/2022 – 05/2022 – N'Djamena, Chad - Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

TUTOR FOR TRAINING ON PROJECT MANAGEMENT – SANT'ANNA SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES

These training courses were part of a series of thematic programmes organized within the framework of the project "Strengthening the judicial systems of the G5 Sahel countries through training (2021-22)". Cumulatively, the trainings held in Burkina Faso and Chad aimed at reinforcing the capacity of the key actors in the justice sector to address the most daunting security challenges plaguing the Sahel region in increasing measures, over the past ten years and which constitute to defy the largely militarized international and regional efforts at curbing them. Main duties:

- supported the planning and design of the above-mentioned courses (20 participants per course)
- contributed to the development of training resources and materials
- supervised the effective delivery of the training program
- liaised with participants, facilitators and key stakeholders to ensure smooth implementation of the training project
- ensured daily monitoring and evaluation
- routine administrative duties
- supervised logistical arrangements

06/2020 – 12/2021 – Pisa, Italy

RESEARCH/PROJECT ASSISTANT – SANT'ANNA SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES

Project: "Promoting Community Stabilization in South Darfur State" (implemented in cooperation with AICS and UNDP)

- assistance in the program management, design and organization of training courses and preparation of the material needed for the project;
- support in the coordination with the relevant partners of the project (UNDP, AICS, Embassy of Italy in Sudan, University of Khartoum, University of Nyala);
- member of the "Sant'Anna Research Team" responsible for conducting research on issues related to the project and drafting a dedicated chapter of the final report;
- conception and design of COSTARELA (Community STAbilization and peacebuilding REsearch Laboratory), a joint research centre of the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna and the University of Nyala (Sudan).

12/09/2021 – 09/12/2021 – Geneva, Switzerland

INTERN – PERMANENT MISSION OF ITALY TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Intern at Humanitarian and Migration Affairs Unit (cooperation with UNHCR, IOM, OCHA, UNDRR, ICRC, and IFRC)

- participation in meetings with the relevant organizations on issues related to humanitarian emergencies and international humanitarian law, migration, asylum law, international protection of refugees and stateless persons, internal displacement, disaster risk reduction;
- report elaboration and research activities with special reference to humanitarian and migration emergencies (Afghanistan, Syria, Sahel, Venezuela, Ethiopia, and Libya)

10/2020 – 12/2020 – Pisa, Italy

RESEARCH ASSISTANT – SANT'ANNA SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES

Project: "Preventing Violent Extremism in the Balkans and the MENA: Strengthening Resilience in Enabling Environments" (funded by EU H2020)

- research, data collection and comparative analysis on EU policies and projects for preventing violent extremism in the Maghreb and the Sahel

03/2019 – 06/2019 – Khartoum, Sudan

INTERN – ITALIAN AGENCY FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION IN SUDAN

- research work on migration trends in Sudan, with a particular focus on aspects related to IDPs and human trafficking and smuggling;
- attending meeting organized by the UNHCR, IOM, UNDP and other UN agencies or international organizations on issues within the areas of competence of the migration/forced displacement staff;
- work support for drafting a financing proposal (proposta di finanziamento) for a UNDP-AICS Community Stabilization Programme in South Darfur State;
- field monitoring visits for selected projects;
- relations with Italian Embassy in Khartoum, through the preparation of briefings and formal messaging;
- participation in Darfur Development Strategy (DDS) review meetings and preparing drafting reports;
- participation in the definition of contents of the regional workshop "Migration trends and common strategies: Lessons from the Field" held in Dakar.

● **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

08/2016 – CURRENT – Pisa, Italy

DIPLOMA DI LICENZA MAGISTRALE (HONORS DIPLOMA) IN POLITICAL SCIENCES – Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies

- successful candidate in a public competitive examination (acceptance rate 5%)
- 5-years full scholarship, additional advanced courses, yearly dissertations and GPA requirements
- Field of study: International Relations / Politics / Development
- Major Subject: International Law, Conflict Management, Development Cooperation

Address Pisa, Italy | **Level in EQF** EQF level 8

09/2019 – CURRENT – Florence, Italy

JOINT COURSE IN POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES – Scuola Normale Superiore

Address Florence, Italy

08/2019 – 06/2022 – Florence, Italy

MASTER'S DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND EUROPEAN STUDIES – University of Florence

Address Florence, Italy | **Final grade** 110/110 cum laude | **Level in EQF** EQF level 7 |

Thesis The United Nations' "novel competence" in the field of criminal investigations: assessing potentialities, shortcomings and ways forward

08/2016 – 06/2020 – Pisa, Italy

DIPLOMA DI LICENZA (HONORS DIPLOMA) IN POLITICAL SCIENCES – Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies

- ending of the first level courses at Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies. The Diploma di Licenza is a prerequisite for the achievement of the Diploma di Licenza Magistrale

Address Pisa, Italy | **Final grade** 100/100 cum laude

08/2016 – 10/2019 – Pisa, Italy

BACHELOR DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS – University of Pisa

Address Pisa, Italy | **Final grade** 110/110 cum laude | **Level in EQF** EQF level 6 |

Thesis "A case of authoritarianism: the Sudan of Al-Bashir from the birth of the regime to the democratic transition"

10/2017 – 11/2017 – Chongqing, China

EXCHANGE PROGRAMME – Chongqing University

- exchange programme at the department of law at the University of Chongqing, attending also Chinese language courses

Address Chongqing, China

08/2011 – 09/2016 – Bergamo, Italy

SCIENTIFIC HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA – Liceo Scientifico Statale "Filippo Lussana"

Address Bergamo, Italy

● **ADDITIONAL RELEVANT EXPERIENCES**

2019 – CURRENT

Editor – Think tank "Agenda – Rethinking European Democracy"

Treccani, Rome

Agenda is a network, think tank and platform of young researchers and professionals, pooling expertise in order to improve the Italian and European public debate. We run an online magazine, policy projects, webinar and public events with institutional and private partners. Originally launched by a group of alumni of Scuola Normale and Scuola Sant'Anna with Istituto Treccani.

Tasks: member of the editorial staff of the magazine, where I am responsible for the international affairs section; member of the working group of the *Inside Out* project, which aims at developing ideas and concrete proposals to contribute to a global strategy for Italy's foreign policy, able to address the new global geopolitical challenges.

09/2021 – 05/2022

Special Issue of the African Conflict and Peace-Building Review on the Juba 2020 Peace Agreements

Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa

Tasks: editorial review of submitted manuscripts, coordination of the activities of contributors to this special issue, preparation of the material to share with the authors, research on elections and democracy in Sudan and Africa

05/2021 – 08/2021

EU Guidelines on the Promotion of Compliance with IHL and the Situation of Children in Armed Conflict

Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa

Tasks: Research and drafting process for a progress report

01/2021 – 06/2021

Project on Gender Perspective and its Adoption within Military Operations 20 years after the UNSC Resolution 1325/2000

Comando Operativo di Vertice Interforze (COI), Rome

Tasks: Research and drafting process for a progress report published as an academic paper

Focus: Implementation of UNSC WPS resolutions cycle concerning gender mainstreaming, education standards and training on gender issues before and during Italian military operations

● LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): **ITALIAN**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
FRENCH	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
SPANISH	B1	B1	A2	A2	A2

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

● ORGANISATIONAL, COMMUNICATION AND JOB-RELATED SKILLS

Most relevant skills

- Excellent communication and organisational skills
- Project management expertise
- Flexibility and adaptability to changing situations and environments
- Excellent aptitude to teamwork, also in multicultural and multi-lingual contexts
- Interpersonal skills, in particular ability to interact effectively with people at all levels
- Strong leadership and group facilitating skills
- Excellent in the production of essays, reports, and other academic texts
- In-depth research skills and capacity to work with tight deadlines
- Public speaking abilities in formal and academic contexts, in Italian, English and French

● VOLUNTEERING

06/2015 – 09/2015

Volunteer Work with Children

Quito, Ecuador

- Volunteering at a care center in a project of Centro Missionario Diocesano (Bergamo)

● SOCIAL AND POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

08/2019 – 11/2020

Representative of Political Science students - Sant'Anna School of Advanced Study

Pisa, Italy

● NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

2018 – CURRENT

Member – Think tank "Agenda – Rethinking European Democracy"

Agenda is a Think Tank based in Rome at the Istituto della Enciclopedia Italiana Treccani: http://www.treccani.it/magazine/agenda/chi_siamo/

● DIGITAL SKILLS

My Digital Skills

Microsoft Office | Microsoft Excel | Microsoft Word | Outlook | Power Point

● PUBLICATIONS

Academic articles

- Benaglia, M. and Ndiloseh, M. "The 2020 Juba Peace Agreement: a Critical Analysis of the Building Blocks for Democratic Elections", in *African Conflict and Peacebuilding Review (special issue "2020 Juba Peace Agreements and Prospects for Conflict Transformation/ Peacebuilding in Darfur")* (forthcoming fall 2022).
- Benaglia, M. "Responsabilità da comando per crimini di guerra e principio *nulla poena sine lege*" in *Giurisprudenza italiana - Recentissime dalle Corti europee*, aprile 2022 (case note).
- Aricò, R., Benaglia, M. et al. (2021). "L'implementazione nazionale dell'Agenda WPS. Analisi della prospettiva di genere nei programmi di formazione nelle Forze Armate italiane a vent'anni dalla Risoluzione 1325", *Prospettiva di Genere nelle Operazioni Militari*. Roma: Comando di vertice Operativo Interforze, 2021.
- Benaglia, M. and Totaro, T. "Promoting Community Stabilization in South Darfur State", in de Guttry, A. (a cura di) *Celebrating an Amazing Journey - ITPCM 25th Anniversary 1995-2020*, 118-120. Pisa: Edizioni ETS, 2020.

Magazine online

- Benaglia, M. "Il Sudan alla ricerca della democrazia, tra retaggi militari e risveglio giovanile", *Treccani*, 13 maggio 2019. Available at: <https://www.treccani.it/magazine/agenda/articoli/scenari-internazionali/Sudan.html>

● CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

Interventions at conferences and presentations

- "Oltre il Mediterraneo: una prospettiva strategica per la cooperazione tra Italia e Africa" (beyond the Mediterranean: a strategic perspective for cooperation between Italy and Africa). Webinar, Treccani - Roma, 26/01/2021.
- "Il Sudan non molla" (Sudan won't give up). Televised interview, Rai News - Roma, 04/06/2019. <https://www.rainews.it/archivio-rainews/media/sudan-64fc54ae-d690-43f8-827b-86762beeb2e4.html>

- "The mainstreaming approach: A gender perspective". Presentation at the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation in Sudan - Khartoum, 23/05/2019.
- "Armi chimiche e bombardamenti occidentali in Siria: Prospettive di diritto internazionale" (Chemical weapons and western bombardments in Syria: Perspectives of international law). Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies - Pisa, 09/05/2018.