



Naples
11th-12th December 2025

University of Naples L'Orientale (UniOr)
 Palazzo Corigliano - Conference Room
 Antisala degli Specchi, S. Domenico Maggiore 12

international conference
Libya-Italy:
Shared Roots
Future Visions
 (IC2025Libya-Italy)

Thursday 11th December

Conference Room 2nd Floor

14:30 | Academic Greetings

Prof. **Roberto Tottoli** – Rector – University of Naples L'Orientale (UniOr)

Prof. **Roberta Giunta** – Dean of the Department of Asian African and Mediterranean Studies – University of Naples L'Orientale

Prof. **Ignazio Tantillo** – Doctoral Coordinator – University of Naples L'Orientale

H. E. **Gianluca Alberini** – Ambassador of Italian Embassy in Tripoli (*participating remotely*)

14:45 – Introduction:

Libya – Italy: Shared Roots, Future Visions

Anna Maria Di Tolla – University of Naples L'Orientale – **Pino Pisicchio** – University of International Studies (UNINT) – Rome

15:00–15:15 – Coffee break

15:15–16:30 | Session 1 – Historical memory and the colonial period: Italian legacies and collective remembrance

Chair: Cristina Figueiredo – Université Paris Cité – **Giovanni Cordova** – University of Naples Federico II

Federico Cresti – University of Catania

Adrar n Infusen, una memoria viva: la montagna berbera tripolitana tra età ottomana e epoca coloniale nelle immagini dell'archivio fotografico del Museo Africano

Chiara Pagano – University of Pavia

Knowledge for Conquest and its Afterlives: The Italian Colonial Library in the Historical (Re)making of Nowadays Libya's Conflictual Identities





Pino Pisicchio – University of International
Studies (UNINT) – Rome

*Angelo del Boca and the deconstruction
of the “Italians are good people” myth*

Discussion

16:30–17:30 – Salem Ali Alsiefao Haboush
– Documentary filmmaker – Jadu (Libya)

**Presentation and screening
of the short film: *A Tale of a School:
Zâima Al-Barouni School: Amazigh Identity
and Architectural Memory* (2025) by Salem
Ali Alsiefao Haboush (47.37)**

Discussion

17:30 – Buffet Light





Friday 12th December

Conference Room 2nd Floor

9:15–10:30 | Session 2 – Amazigh identity and cultural pluralism: language, literature, and activism

Chair: **Fathi Ben Khalifa** – President of the
Libya Al-Ummah Party (LIBO)

Chiara Pagano – University of Pavia

Aedah Kotara – Center for Amazigh Studies
and Research – Zuwara (Libya)

*The Amazigh Movement in Libya: From
Exclusion to Empowerment – A Case Study
of the Zuwara Amazigh Research Center*

Masin Ferkal – INALCO Paris

*L'insurrection de 2011 et revitalisation
de la langue berbère en Libye*

Mariacarmela Flaviano – University of
Naples L'Orientale

*Documenting and Describing from
afar: the Amazigh of Eastern
Nefusa Mountain*

Discussion

10:45–11:00 – Coffee break

Friday 12th December

Antisala degli Specchi 4th Floor

11:00-12:15 | Session 3 – Contemporary Libya: political transitions and post- 2011 fragmentation

Chair: **Federico Cresti** – University of
Catania – **Mariacarmela Flaviano** –
University of Naples L'Orientale

Cristina Figueiredo – Université Paris Cité

*Espoirs et désillusion de la jeunesse
toularègue des années 1990. La Lybie
comme terre d'accueil et de solitude*

Fathi Ben Khalifa – President of the Libya AI-Ummah Party (LIBO)

*Libya's identity, its language,
and successive colonization*

Giovanni Cordova – University of Naples Federico II

*Sovereignty, Belonging, and the State:
Anthropological Perspectives from
the Maghreb*

Discussion

12:30 – Visit to the University Library's Special Collections: Ibadi manuscripts – DAAM – University of Naples L'Orientale

13:15-14:00 – Light Lunch Conference Room – 2nd Floor

14:00-14:50 | Session 4 – Framework and Testimony: Assessing Amazigh Rights in Libya

Chair: **Aedah Kotara** – Center for Amazigh
Studies and Research – Zuwara – (Libya) –
Masin Ferkal – INALCO – Paris

Wail Moammer – Development & Human Rights Scholar – (Libya)

*Tilawt (ⵜⵍⴰⵎⴰⵏⵜ): The Reality of
Indigenous Amazigh Rights in Libyan
Law and Policy (1951–Today)*

Asma Khalifa – Researcher – PhD – GIGA Institute of Middle East Studies – Hamburg – (remotely)

*Brief testimony of her
experience in current Libya*

Discussion

**14:50-15:30 | Round Table – Libya – Italy:
Bridging Lived Realities and Institutional
Cooperation. A Dialogue for a Shared Future**

Chair: Fathi Ben Khalifa – President of the Libya
Al-Ummah Party (LIBO)

**Participants: Salem Ali Alsiefao Haboush –
Giovanni Cordova – Federico Cresti – Masin
Ferkal – Cristina Figueiredo – Mariacarmela
Flaviano – Aedah Kotara – Wail Moammer –
Chiara Pagano**

15:30 – Wrap-up Session

15:30-16:30 – Book Launch

Chair: Giovanni Cordova – University of Naples
Federico II

Chiara Pagano. *La politica berbera nella Libia
coloniale. Identità, reti e conflitti (1835-1924).*
Collana: Studi Storici Carocci. 2025.

Discussant: Federico Cresti – University of
Catania

16:30 – Buffet Light – Conference Room

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