

# Crossroads of Knowledge: Italy and the Republic of Letters

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370 Dwinelle Hall

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Friday 14

1.00pm

Diego Pirillo (UC Berkeley), *Introduction*

Annamaria di Giorgio (Director, Italian Cultural Institute of SF), *Welcome Address*

1.15-3.00

Chair and respondent: Massimo Mazzotti (UC Berkeley)

Zhonghua Wang (UC Berkeley), *Daniello Bartoli's China: Jesuit Information Networks and the Republic of Letters across Eurasia*

Anahit Manoukian (UC Berkeley), *Playwrights and Critics: Theater Culture in Eighteenth-Century Madrid and Naples*

Matthew Mason (UC Berkeley), *Macaronic Poetry and the Republic of Letters: Voltaire reads Folengo*

3.00-3.15 coffee break

3.15-4.45

Chair and respondent: Thomas Dandelelet (UC Berkeley)

Stefania Tutino (UCLA), *The Roman Curia and the Republic of Letters: Authors, Publishers, and Censors*

Daniel Stolzenberg, (UC Davis), *Between Westphalia and Enlightenment: Catholic Scholars and Dutch Bookmen during the Papacy of Alexander VII*

4.45-5.00 coffee break

5.00-6.30

Chair: Diego Pirillo (UC Berkeley)

Anthony Grafton (Princeton University), *Cesare Baronio and the Republic of Letters*  
Keynote lecture.

Respondent: Gemma Tronfi (UC Berkeley)

7.00 Dinner for speakers, chairs and respondents at Great China (2190 Bancroft Way, Berkeley).

Saturday 15

9.00am breakfast

9.30-11.00

Chair and respondent: Jonathan Sheehan (UC Berkeley)

Kristen Keach (UC Berkeley), *Between Words and Images: How Diego Valadés Read Dante's Commedia*

Filippo Sambugaro (Université de Strasbourg), *The Anglo-Tuscan Republic of Letters: Antonio Montucci in 18th century England*

Christopher Geary (UC Berkeley), *World Literature and the Early Modern Republic of Letters*

11.00-12.45

Chair and respondent: Stefania Tutino (UCLA)

Giorgio Caravale (Roma Tre University), *Forbidden Books and the Republic of Letters*

Giovanna Ceserani (Stanford University), *Of Books and Horses: Traveling in the late Republic of Letters*

Thomas Dandeleit (UC Berkeley), *The Empire of Letters in 17th Century Sicily: Filadelfo Mugnos, Humanist Historian of the Sicilian Nobility*

12.45-1.45 Catered lunch

1.45-3.15

Chair and respondent: Ethan Shagan (UC Berkeley)

Déborah Blocker (UC Berkeley), *The Alterati of Florence (1569-ca.1630): a localized and secluded Republic of Letters?*

Vincenza Perdichizzi (Université de Strasbourg), *The Battle Against the Books and the Italian Way to Modernity*

3.15-3.30 coffee break

3.30-5.00

Chair: Vincenza Perdichizzi, (Université de Strasbourg)

Paula Findlen, (Stanford University), *Francesco Algarotti's Newtonianism for Ladies: The Imagined Community of Women and an Eighteenth-Century Bestseller*  
Keynote lecture

Respondent: Sally Tucker (UC Berkeley)

5.00-5.30 Final discussion and conclusion