

# Andrea Novellis

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## Education

### **Phd Student in Political Studies at NASP, University of Milan**

*October 2019 – Ongoing*

- Intensive training on quantitative and qualitative research methods
- Research project on rebel governance in ethnically diverse communities

### **MA International Relations, University of Venice, Italy**

*September 2014 - March 2017*

- Dissertation on Nationalism and Minorities in the Middle East
- Advisors: Shahrzad Mojtabi, Prof. of Women and Gender Studies, Francesca Coin, Prof. of Global Social Movements
- Study abroad: Boğaziçi University of Istanbul, Turkey (Sep 2015 – May 2016)

### **Visiting Graduate Student, University of Toronto, Canada**

*October 2016 - February 2017*

- Research on separatist and ethno-nationalist movements, female militancy and gender
- Courses in English Academic Writing

### **BA International Studies, University of Bologna, Italy**

*September 2009 - October 2014*

- Dissertation on Islamic ideologies of the Iranian Revolution
- Advisor: Francesca Biancani, Prof. of History and Institutions of the Modern Middle East

## Relevant Experience

### **Campagna LasciateCentrare, Human Rights Advocacy Group (Italy)**

*December 2018 – Ongoing*

- Created advocacy videos (Italian/English language) for the editorial project *Dossier Libia*
- Co-organized seminars at the University of Calabria on migration routes, asylum law and the reception system

### **La Kasbah, NGO for Refugee Rights (Cosenza, Italy)**

*November 2017 – November 2018*

- COI (Country of origin) researcher at the legal office
- Wrote research to support asylum seekers' appeals against denials of refugee status
- Supported the legal team on the preparation of asylum applications
- English-Italian interpreter and translator of legal, health and school documents

### **Auser Territoriale (Cosenza, Italy)**

*April 2017 – December 2017*

- Co-founder of "Adozione in Vicinanza", a project to fund young migrants' education, technical training and social inclusion in Cosenza
- Drafted the project, engaged with local stakeholders, organized presentation and fundraising events

## **Internship at the Embassy of Italy (Ankara, Turkey)**

*July 2016 – September 2016*

- Intern at the Political Office
- Wrote analyses on Turkey's current affairs for the Italian Foreign Ministry
- Contributed to the EU Delegation meetings and drafted reports for the Embassy
- Editor of "*Cronache Economiche*", bi-weekly bulletin for the Italian business community

## **Academic Publications**

- “An alternative to Nationalism: The Kurdish movement in Turkey” *Occhiali, Rivista sul Mediterraneo Islamico*, N°3 2018, pp. 69-84 ISSN 2532-6740
- “The Rise of Feminism in the PKK: Ideology or Strategy?” *Zanj: The Journal of Critical Global South Studies* Vol. 2, No. 1, Summer 2018, pp. 115-133, DOI: 10.13169/zanjglobsoutstud.2.1.0115

## **Grants**

- “Ca Foscari:Diplomatica!” internship grant winner (2016)
- ResetDoc “Sources of Democracy” Summer school grant winner (2019)
- Entan (European Non-Territorial Autonomy Network) training school grant winner (2020)

## **Other Activities**

- Advanced Training Course in EU Project Management, Venice International University (February 2019)
- Excellent computer literacy and software skills: R, Stata, MS Office, Adobe Premiere, Power Director
- English level: C2 (TOEFL score: 109/120)
- Turkish level: A2 (Turkish language university exam, 80-hours language course in Istanbul, Sep 2017)
- International Observer at the Turkish Administrative Elections (Mardin Province, 31 Mar 2019)