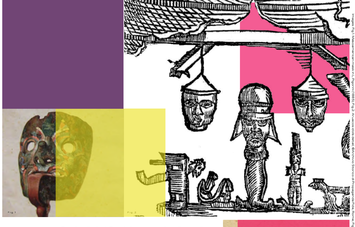

Mapping Dissonant Objects©
Italy, Iberian Peninsula and the Holy Land

Workshop 1

Engaging With Dissonant Objects: Religious Material Agencies Across Space and Time

Conveners:
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Rome 24-26 September 2025

Istituto Svedese di Studi Classici a Roma
Istituto Storico Austriaco
Museo delle Civiltà

24 September. Istituto Svedese di Studi Classici a Roma
Via Omero 14, Rome

Opening Session

2.30 PM - **Ulf R. Hansson** - Istituto Svedese di Studi Classici a Roma. *Welcome Address*

2.45 - 3.15 PM - **Sabina Brevaglieri** - Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, Universität Wien. *Mapping Dissonant objects across space and time. An Introduction*

Panel 1. Approaching Material Dissonance

Chair: **Anne Mariss** - Universität Regensburg, Historisches Kolleg München

3. 20 - 4.10 PM - **James W. Nelson Novoa** - University of Ottawa (Online). *Mapping India from Rome: "Indian" material culture in the Apostolic Palace (1572-1758)*

4.10 - 5.00 PM - **Helena Wangefelt Ström** - Uppsala Universitet. *"Strange Things" as collection dissonances. Historical categories in collections, religion, and the creation of the Foreign*

5.00 - 5.20 PM - Coffee-break

5.20 - 6.10 PM - **Licia Bianchi** - Università Roma Tre, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona. *Visual Mapping, relations and spaces: Kircher's Museum in the stages of production*

Position Papers, moderated by **Vittoria Vaccaro** - Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa

Position Paper 1

6.15 - 7.30 PM - **Sergio Botta** - La Sapienza Università di Roma; **Davide Domenici** - Università di Bologna; **Alessandro Lupo** - La Sapienza Università di Roma. *Knowledge of Things (KNOT): making American objects in Italy visible and accessible*

7.30 PM Garden Dinner

25 September. Istituto Storico Austriaco
Viale Bruno Buozzi 113, Rome

9.30 AM Welcome Coffee

10.00 AM - **Andreas Gottsmann** - Istituto Storico Austriaco. *Welcome Address*

Position Paper 2

10.15 - 11.45 AM - **Paul Nelles** - Carleton University, Ottawa. *Towards a taxonomy of the mobility of religious bodies, objects, and materials*

Panel 2. Re-Producing Material Dissonance

Chair: **Josefina Schenke** - Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, Santiago de Chile

12.00 - 12.40 PM - **Angelo Cattaneo** – CNR – ISEM Istituto di Storia dell'Europa Mediterranea, Roma. *Mapping, Visualizing, and Objectifying New Languages. Semiotic Journeys from the Global Missions, to Portugal, Spain, Rome and the République des Lettres*

12.50 - 2.20 PM Lunch

2.30 - 3.20 PM - **Anna Busquets Alemany** – Universitat Oberta de Catalunya, Barcelona. *Entre la cruz y el mapa: materialidades misioneras y vida cotidiana en China y Filipinas durante el período moderno*

3.20 - 4.10 PM - **António Camões Gouveia** – Universidade NOVA de Lisboa-FCSH-CHAM, "Holy Bodies project". *From the relic object to the relic costume. Exterior and interior. Relics, corpi-santi, simulacra, devotion*

4.15 - 4.50 PM Coffee-break

Panel 3. Re-Locating Material Dissonance

Chair: **Federico Palomo** – Universidad Complutense de Madrid

4.50 - 5.40 PM - **Claudia Geremia** – Università Ca' Foscari Venezia. *Dissonant Devotions: The Hybrid Meanings of Religious Objects in Canary Islands Enslaved Burials (16th-17th Centuries)*

5.45 - 6.50 PM - **Filippo Comisi** – Independent scholar; **Claudia Giordano** – Soprintendenza per i Beni Culturali e Ambientali di Siracusa. *Cardinal Tommaso Maillard de Tournon—His Vestments, Documents, and Volumes in Rome: The Failed Construction of a Monument?*

6.50 - 7.15 PM - *MapDisOb Talk*. Landing page presentation and Project perspectives

7.30 PM Garden Dinner

26 September. Museo delle Civiltà
Piazza Guglielmo Marconi 14, Rome

9.15 AM - **Andrea Vilani** – Museo delle Civiltà; **Leandro Ventura** – Istituto Centrale per il Patrimonio Immateriale; **Laura Giuliano** e **Pierfrancesco Fedi** – Museo delle Civiltà. *Welcome Address*

Dissonant object Journey into the Deposit

9.30 - 11.30 AM - Curated by **Pierfrancesco Fedi**, **Francesca Quarato**, **Alessandra Montedoro** – Museo delle Civiltà; **Filippo Comisi** – Independent Scholar; **Licia Bianchi** – Università Roma Tre, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona.

11.35 - 11.55 AM Coffee Break

Final Session

Chair: **Massimo Carlo Giannini** – Università degli Studi di Teramo

12.00 - 12.20 AM **Laura Giuliano** – Museo delle Civiltà. *Recomposing Gandharan collections between Italy and Pakistan*

12.25 - 12.55 AM **Marina Formica** – Università di Roma Tor Vergata; **Mariana Françozo** – Universiteit Leiden; **Manfredi Merluzzi** – Università Roma Tre. *Round Table*

Discussion

Workshop for invited guests only

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