Scientific Cosmopolitanism in the University Culture of Early Modern Padua

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Day One - October 12th 2022
University of Padua, Palazzo Bo, Sala Archivio Antico
13:30-14:00 Introduction to Conference
Marta Nezzo (Padua), Institutional greetings and introduction to the conference
Vincenzo Milanesi (Padua), A “European” History of the University of Padua

14.00-15.30 SESSION 1. Padua: University and its History
Denni Solera (Bologna), Padua and its University: the Institutional Framework from the Middle Ages to the Early Modern Age
Matteo Cosci (Venice), Gaudeamus igitur: Collegiate and local studentship in early modern Padua
15.30-16.00 Coffee break
16.00-17.15 SESSION 2. Padua: A Cosmopolis of Tradition and Innovation
Michel Engel (Hamburg), Jewish Contribution to the Translation and Circulation of Averroes’ Commentaries on Natural Philosophy in and around the University of Padua (15th-16th Centuries)
Angela Axworthy (Berlin), Sacrobosco’s De sphaera and the teaching of astronomy and cosmology at the university of Padua from the fifteenth to the early sixteenth century
17.30 Guided tour of historical Palazzo Bo and its Anatomical Theatre

Day Two: October 13th 2022
University of Venice, Ca’ Foscari, Malcanton, Aula Morelli
9.30-13:00 SESSION 3. The Nations, the East, and Specialist Knowledge
Francesco Scalora (Padua), Greek students at the University of Padua: cross-cultural interactions and evolving identities in the early modern age
Marie-Louise Leonard (Venice), Paduan Medical Knowledge and the Establishment of Medical Culture in 17th century Edinburgh
Gabor Almasi (Innsbruck), Central and Eastern Europeans at Padua: a comparative view with a focus on medicine
* optional excursion to the Jewish Ghetto

Day Three: October 14th 2022
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9.30-11.00 Session 4. Specialist Knowledge circulation
Matteo Fornasier (Venice), Botanic gardens and academic culture at the University of Padua
Pietro Daniel Omodeo (Venice), The German Nation and cross-cultural exchange at the University of Padua
11.00-11.30 Coffee break
11.30-13.00 SESSION 5. A Tangled Web: Padua and Britain
Vittoria Feola (Padua), Nation Anglica and spy networks in early modern Europe.
David McOmish (Venice), Nation Scota, Government Agents, and Networks of Scientific Knowledge Exchange in King James’ Britain
Lunch
15.30-17.00 SESSION 6. Patavina auctoris: Practical Instruction and cultural appropriation
Tayra Lanuza Navarro (Venice), From the Professors’ mouth: the student experience of astronomical culture at the University of Padua
Stefano Gulizia (Milan), The export of learned Paduan sociability in Northern Europe: From the cabinet of curiosities in Enkhuizen to the Platonic ‘deambulatio’ in the Vettori-Casellius exchange