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9.30 – Introduction

First session

Chair: Niccolò Pianciola

10.00 – Blake Brown (Saint Mary's University, Halifax): *Charles Stark and Firearms Retailing in late Nineteenth-Century Canada*

10.50 – Simon Ball (University of Leeds): *Pistols and Panic: The British Empire, 1909 to 1940*

11.40 - 12.00 – Coffee break

Chair: EU-GUNS MEMBER

12.00 – Ramazan Hakkı Öztan (Trinity College Dublin): *Arming Revolutions or Revolution in Arms? Paramilitary Proxies and Independent Revolutionaries in the Ottoman Balkans, 1895-1903*

Second session

Chair: Francesca Campani

14.00 – Nicola Camilleri (Maynooth University / Università Roma Tre): *Guns and Gun Licences for Colonial Soldiers and Veterans. Italian East Africa in Comparative Perspective*

14.50 – Ned Richardson-Little (Leibniz Center for Contemporary History Potsdam – ZZf): *Agents of the State and International Outlaws: German International Arms Dealers from the Empire to the Nazis*

15.40 – Andrea Azzarelli (Università di Padova): *The International Life of Italian Firearms: Historiographical Perspectives and the China Connection, 1890-1920s*

16.30 – Open Discussion

Chair: Matteo Millan

18.30 – Drinks

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9.00 – Introduction – Matteo Millan

First session

Chair: Giulia Albanese

9.30 – Sven Reichardt (Universität Konstanz): *The Use of Guns by Fascist Paramilitaries in Italy and Germany*

10.15 – Arnau Fernández Pasalados (University of Granada / University College Dublin): *Weapons Circulation and Irregular Warfare in Spain, 1936–1952*

11.00 - 11.30 – Coffee break

11.30 – Jennifer Wellington (University College Dublin): *Deadly Souvenirs: the Cultural Afterlives of War Trophy Guns*

12.15 – Giacomo Macola (Sapienza Università di Roma): *The Domestication of the Gun in Nineteenth-Century Central Africa (online)*

Second session

Chair: Marco Bertilorenzi

14.30 – Jennifer Carlson (Arizona State University): *Mapping the American Gun Experience, Bridging the American Gun Divide (online)*

15.15 - 16.45 – Meet EU-GUNS session: Roxane Bonnardel-Mira, Assumpta Castillo Cañiz, Mathias Foit, Martin Johanson, Anna Moro and Lorenzo Pera present their research within the ERC EU-GUNS project.

16.45 - 17.00 - Concluding Remarks – Blake Brown

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