

**TENTATIVE PROGRAM TO BE COMPLETED**

**University of Eastern Piedmont  
“Amedeo Avogadro”  
Department of Human Studies  
*Decennial Anniversary Conference***

**Columbia University in the City of New York  
Department of History**

**Interuniversity Center for European-American  
History and Politics (CISPEA)**

**The Two Wests:  
Democracy, Citizenship and Social Rights in  
the United States and Europe (1918-2008)**

**Vercelli, Torino  
Friday-Saturday, May 23-24, 2008**

**First Session:**

**Democracy and Social Rights in Europe and America: A Comparative View**

Vercelli, Friday, May 23, 2008, 10am-1pm  
Cripta di Sant' Andrea

Welcome Addresses:

**Paolo Garbarino**, President, University of Eastern Piedmont

**Ugo Perone**, Director, Department of Human Studies

**Giacomo Ferrari**, Chair, Department of Literature and Philosophy

**A Representative of the Region of Piedmont**

Chair: to be decided

**Bernhard Ebbinghaus**, University of Mannheim

Social Partners and Social Policy in Europe and the USA: Politics Against or for Markets?

(confirmed)

**Alice Kessler-Harris**, Columbia University

Democracy and Social Rights in American History

(confirmed)

**Ruth Lister**, Loughborough University

Interpretations of Poverty, Social Justice and Democracy in the Twentieth Century

(confirmed)

**Volker Berghahn**, Columbia University

Modernization Theory, American Foundations and European

Social Democracy after 1945

(confirmed)

Discussion

Lunch

## **Second Session: Democracy and Social Rights in the Historical Perspective**

Vercelli, Friday, May 23, 2008, 2:30-5:30 pm  
Cripta di Sant'Andrea

Chair: to be decided

**Pat Thane**, University of London  
Women, Democracy and Social Rights in the Twentieth-Century  
(confirmed)

**Maurizio Vaudagna**, University of Eastern Piedmont  
Social Policies, Liberal Democracies and European Dictatorships in the Interwar  
Years (or Social Rights and Changing Definitions of Liberty in the 1930s)  
(confirmed)

**Bela Tomka**, University of Szeged,  
Social Security in Post-war East Central Europe  
(confirmed)

Discussion

Dinner

### **Session n.3:**

## **Social Rights and Democracy in Twentieth Century Political Thought**

Torino, Saturday, May 24, 2008, 9-12:30 am  
Accorsi Foundation

Chair:  
to be decided

**Michael Freedon**, Oxford University  
Social Rights and Democracy in XX-Century Transatlantic Liberal Thought  
(confirmed)

**Wilfried Loth**, University of Duisburg-Essen  
Social Rights and Democracy in European Catholic Thought.  
(confirmed)

**Gro Hagemann**, University of Oslo  
Social Rights, Democracy and Domesticity  
(confirmed)

Discussion

Lunch

**Session n.4: Social Rights and Democracy in Europe and America: Policy-Making Between the Past and the Future**

Torino, Saturday, May 24, 2008, 3-5,30 pm  
Accorsi Foundation

Chair: to be decided

**Chiara Saraceno**, University of Torino  
The Relationship between Family, Gender and Social Security: Fundamental Trends  
Between Past and Future  
(confirmed)

**Robin Blackburn**, University of Essex.  
Social Citizenship, Democracy and the Future of Pensions.  
(confirmed)

**Emilio Reyneri**, University of Milano-Bicocca  
Immigration, Democratic Citizenship and the Welfare State

**Massimo Paci**, University of Rome  
The Future of the Welfare State: Social Citizenship Between Regionalization and the  
European Community  
(confirmed)

Discussion

Participants: **Raffaele Asquer** (University of Pisa); **Raffaella Baritono** (University of Bologna); **Simone Cinotto** (University of Gastronomic Sciences); **Guido Franzinetti** (University of Eastern Piedmont); **Cristina Iuli** (University of Eastern

Piedmont); **Marco Mariano** (University of Eastern Piedmont), **Francesca Somenzari** (University of Torino); **Elisabetta Vezzosi** (University of Trieste).....

**Notice:** the conference takes place in English.

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