### IVANO DAL PRETE

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### EMPLOYMENT

Lecturer, Yale University, 2014–2015 Adjunct Assistant Professor, Columbia University, 2013 Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota, 2011–2012 Lecturer, Yale University, 2008–2010

#### EDUCATION

Ph.D. in "History of the European Society", University of Verona (Italy), 2005 Laurea (B.A.) *summa cum laude* in History, University of Verona, 1999

#### GRANTS AND RESEARCH AWARDS

Harvard – I Tatti, long-term fellowship, 2015-2016

Dibner Program in the History of Science, long-term fellowship, 2015-2016 (declined)

The Gladys Krieble Delmas Foundation fellowship, 2015-2016 (declined)

The Huntington Library, Research Fellow, 2013

Associate Research Scholar, *The Italian Academy for Advanced Studies in America* (Columbia University), 2012–2013

CNR-ISPF (Milan) and University of Eastern Piedmont, Post-doctoral Fellow, 2005-2008

Ecole Française de Rome (Rome), visiting student, 2003

Centre Koyré for the History of Science (Paris) and Ecole Normale Supérieure (Paris), visiting student, 2001–2002

Northwestern University (Chicago), visiting student, 2001

### BOOKS:

- *Scienza e società nel Settecento veneto* ("Science and Society in the18th-century Republic of Venice"), Milano, FrancoAngeli, 2008
- Antonio Vallisneri. Miglioramenti e correzioni, d'alcune esperienze, ed osservazioni del signor Redi (editor, introduction and notes), Florence, Olschki, 2005

## FORTHCOMING ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS:

- "Rethinking the History of Deep Time. Vernacular Meteorology and the Antiquity of the World in Medieval and Renaissance Italy", *Philosophy and Knowledge in the Renaissance: Interpreting Aristotle in the Vernacular*, ed. by Luca Bianchi, Simon Gilson, and Jill Kraye (London: Warburg Institute, forthcoming 2015)
- "'Ingenuous Investigators': Antonio Vallisneri's Regional Network and the Making of Natural Knowledge in 18<sup>th</sup>-century Italy", *Empires of Knowledge: Scientific Networks in the Early Modern World*, ed. by Paula Findlen (forthcoming 2016).

## SELECTED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- "Cultures and Politics of Preformism in 18<sup>th</sup>-century Italy", *The Secrets of Generation*. *Reproduction in the Long Eighteenth Century*, ed. by Ray Stephenson, Darren Wagner, (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, forthcoming 2015)
- "'Being the World Eternal'. The Age of the Earth in Renaissance Italy", *Isis*, vol. 105, n.2 (June 2014), pp. 292–317.
- "Brokering Instruments in Napoleon's Europe. The Italian Journeys of Franz Xavier von Zach (1807-1814)", *Annals of Science*, vol. 71, n.1 (2014), pp. 82-101.
- "The Gazola Family's Scientific Cabinet. Politics, Society and Scientific Collecting in the Twilight of the Republic of Venice", in Jim Bennett, Sofia Talas (eds.), *Making Science Public in 18th–Century Europe: the Role of Cabinets of Experimental Philosophy*, Brill, 2013, pp. 155–172.
- Entry "Geminiano Montanari", in *Dizionario Biografico degli Italiani* ("Dictionary of Italian Biographies"), vol. 75, 2011.
- "Valerio Faenzi e l'origine dei monti nel Cinquecento veneto", in Simona Boscani Leoni (ed.), Wissenschaft– Berge – Ideologien. Johann Jakob Scheuchzer (1672-1733) und die Frühneuzeitliche Naturforschung, Basel, Schwabe, 2010, pp. 199-214.
- "Echi Fracastoriani nelle cosmologie e nella storia della Terra del Settecento", in Enrico Peruzzi, Alessandro Pastore (eds.), *Girolamo Fracastoro fra medicina, filosofia e scienze della natura*, Florence, Olschki, 2005, pp. 279–298.
- "Francesco Bianchini e il pianeta Venere. Astronomia, cronologia e storia della Terra tra Roma e Parigi all'inizio del XVIII secolo", *Nuncius*, vol. XX, n. 1 (2005), pp. 95–152.

### DIGITAL HUMANITIES.

• Project manager for the on-line inventory and edition of Antonio Vallisneri's (1661–1730) correspondence. Available at: http://www.vallisneri.it/inventario.shtml.

## ACADEMIC PROGRAMS ORGANIZED:

- "The Renaissance and the History of the World", workshop hosted by the Italian Academy, Columbia University, (New York, April 26, 2013)
- "Unità del sapere, molteplicità dei saperi. l'opera di Francesco Bianchini (1662–1729) tra natura, storia e religione", three-day conference (Verona, October 28–30, 2004)

# SELECTED CONFERENCE PAPERS:

- "Ingenuous Investigators': Antonio Vallisneri's Regional Network and the Making of Natural Knowledge in 18<sup>th</sup>-century Italy", Empires of Knowledge: Scientific Networks in the Early Modern World, Stanford University, Palo Alto (May 2-3, 2014)
- "Rethinking the History of Deep Time. Vernacular Science and the Antiquity of the World in Medieval and Renaissance Italy", Philosophy and Knowledge in the Renaissance. Interpreting Aristotle in the Vernacular, The Warburg Institute, London (21–22 June, 2013)
- "Vernacular Meteorologies and the Antiquity of the World in Renaissance Italy", The Renaissance and the History of the World, The Italian Academy (Columbia University), New York (April 26, 2013)
- "Vernacular Science and the Antiquity of the World in Renaissance Italy", History of Science Society 2012 Meeting, San Diego (November 15–18, 2012)
- "Ingenuous Investigators'. Credibility and Trust in Natural History in Eighteenth-Century Italy", Northeastern American Society for Eighteenth-century Studies, 2012 Meeting, Middletown (October 11- 14, 2012)
- "Political Fossils. Natural History, Collecting and Politics in Eighteenth-Century Republic of Venice", American Society for Eighteenth-century Studies, 2012 Meeting, San Antonio, (March 22-24, 2012)
- "Antonio Vallisneri's Network and the Structure of Naturalistic Knowledge in Early 18th-Century Europe", 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference of the European Society for the History of Science, Barcelona (18-20 November, 2010)
- "The Gazola Family's Scientific Cabinet. Politics, Society and Scientific Collecting in the Twilight of the Republic of Venice", XXIX Symposium of the Scientific Instruments Committee, Florence (October 4–9, 2010)
- "Maurilia's Sin. Debating Human Generation in Eighteenth-Century Republic of Venice", American Society for Eighteenth-century Studies, 2010 Meeting, Albuquerque (March 18-21, 2010)
- " Politics and Instruments in Napoleon's Europe: The Italian Journeys of Franz Xaver von Zach" Scientific Travels, Textbooks, Popularization and Controversies in the European Periphery, 6<sup>th</sup> STEP meeting, Istanbul (June 19–21, 2008)
- "Valerio Faenzi and the Origin of Mountains", Johann Jackob Scheuchzer (1672-1733) and his time, Ascona (April 26-27, 2007)

- "Astronomy for the Aristocracy: Representing Science in Eighteenth-Century Venetian Provinces", History of Science Society 2005 Meeting, Minneapolis (November 3-6, 2005)
- "'Hesperi et Phosphori Nova Phaenomena': le osservazioni venusiane di Francesco Bianchini", Les savants étrangers à Rome, entre Contre-Réforme et Lumières, École française de Rome, Rome (June 9–10, 2003)

## OUTREACH:

- Ca. 15 articles on the history of early modern science and culture published in in the popular science magazines *L'Astronomia, Coelum* and *La Recherche*
- Recorded radio interview for WPKN on extra-terrestrial life in history and culture (January 26, 2013): http://rel5.wpkn.streamrewind.com/bookmarks/listen/47961

## **RESEARCH LANGUAGES:**

Italian (native speaker); English, French (fluent); Spanish, Latin (proficient reading)