

# COSTANZA SPERA - ACADEMIC CV

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Université Libre de Bruxelles  
*Visiting PhD student*  
From October to December 2023

## ***CURRENT POSITION***

### **PhD student**

PhD in Legality, Political Cultures and Democracy  
Research Project: “The Presidents of the Regions. History and sociology of regional administration in Italy”  
Supervisor: Prof. Giovanni Barbieri, Prof. Marco Damiani  
*University of Perugia – Department of Political Sciences*  
November 2022 - ongoing

## ***EDUCATION***

### **Limes Geopolitics School**

*Limes – Italian journal of geopolitics*  
April 2021 – December 2021

### **Master in Strategic Protection of Country System – Cyber Intelligence, Big Data and Infrastructure Security**

Achieved with an A+ rating  
*SIOI – Italian Society for International Organization – Rome*  
October 2019 – May 2020

### **Master's Degree in International Relations (LM-52)**

Curriculum: Conflicts, International Politics and Strategic Studies  
Degree thesis: “States of insecurity. From the Maginot Line to the US Patriot Act.”  
Thesis supervisor: Prof. Dario Biocca  
Achieved with 110/110 cum laude  
*University of Perugia – Department of Political Sciences*  
October 2016 – April 2019

### **Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and International Relations (L-36)**

Curriculum: International Relations  
Degree thesis: “The doctrine of the state of exception. Between the history of ideas and law”  
Thesis supervisor: Prof. Alessandro Campi  
Achieved with 110/110 cum laude  
*University of Perugia – Department of Political Sciences*  
October 2013 – November 2016

## ***WINTER/SUMMER SCHOOL AND OTHER COURSES***

### **Summer School on Method and Social Research - Course attended: "Choice of indicators and construction of indices"**

*Paideia Association – University of Salerno*  
August 2023

### **Summer School 2020 “Terrorism: ideology, communication and contrast”**

Certificate of attendance and participation  
*ISPI – Institute for International Political Studies*  
29 – 30 June 2020

### **Course in Python language “DMI UNIPG pyBootCamp”**

Certificate of participation and profit  
*University of Perugia – Department of Mathematics and Computer Science*  
January – April 2020

### **Autumn School “Terrorism: from the dematerialized Caliphate to terrorism next door”**

Certificate of attendance and participation  
*SIOI – Italian Society for International Organization – Rome*  
November –December 2019

### **Nato Intensive Simulation Game course**

Certificate of attendance and participation  
*IAI – Institute of International Affairs – Rome*  
5 – 7 November 2018

## ***LECTURES***

### **Seminar Speaker**

Lesson: “Women's rights in the USA: from feminist science fiction to contemporary reality”  
Seminar series: “What kind of citizenship? Rights in balance and rights to be defended in an intersectional perspective”  
*University of Perugia – Department of Political Sciences*  
April 2022

### **Speaker at training course**

Training course: “The maritime world between trade routes, security, resources and future strategies”  
Lesson delivered: “Introduction to the concepts of maritime Cyber Security. Maritime Cyber Security Vulnerability, state of the art and new frontiers”  
*IARI – Institute for International Relations Analysis in collaboration with: Centre for Studies of Geopolitics and Maritime Strategy, Confitarma – Italian Shipowners Confederation and GeoTrade*  
February 2022

## ***CONFERENCES PARTICIPATION***

### **Participation at AIS end-of-term conference “Re-Assembling the social - Re(I)Stituire il sociale”**

*Italian Sociological Association*  
Naples, Federico II University - from 18 to 21 January 2023

### **Participation as paper giver at AIS Section - Political Sociology end-of-term conference “Society and Politics in times of crisis. For a political sociology of our time”**

*Italian Sociological Association - Section of Political Sociology*

Rende, University of Calabria – 8/9 June 2023

Panel 4 - Administration and institutions, title of the presentation: “The regional presidents in Umbria: three generations of pragmatic leadership”

### **Participation as paper giver at SISP Conference 2023**

*Italian Society of Political Science*

Genova, University of Genoa - from 15 to 17 September 2023

Panel 9.2 – Regional politics in an era of growing instability: elections, representation, governments' composition and policy-making, title of the presentation: “Political careers, role and identity of Regional Presidents: the case study of Umbria”

## ***WORK EXPERIENCE***

### **Support Office Commission of Inquiry on Health Emergency Management during Covid-19 Pandemic**

*Legislative Assembly of Umbria Region*

April 2021 – October 2022

### **Editorial Coordinator and Editor-in-Chief**

*IARI – Institute for International Relations Analysis*

September 2021 – August 2022

### **Collaborator – Transport policy Department for maritime cyber security**

*Confitarma – Italian Shipowners Confederation*

April 2021 – December 2021

### **Member of Geopolitical Editorial Board**

Analyst for USA and Canada macro-area

*IARI – Institute for International Relations Analysis*

September 2020 – ongoing

### **Administrative secretary for “Umbria Region 50 years of the future” Conference**

*Legislative Assembly of Umbria Region*

July 2020 – November 2020

### **Tutor for students held in the district structures of Spoleto, Perugia and Terni**

*University of Perugia – Department of Political Sciences*

January 2017 – October 2017

## ***LANGUAGE SKILLS***

- **Italian:** mother tongue
- **English:** C1
- **French:** B1

## ***IT SKILLS***

- **Standard level:** Python language computer programming, Stata and SPSS statistic software.
- **Good level:** intelligence analysis tools and software: “Who.is”, “TinEye”, “Cached way”, “Intelligence X”, “Go babl”, “hashtagify.me”, “Tinfoleak .com”, “Foller.me”, “Checkusernames.com”,

“Namechk.com”, “Yasni.com”, “Sync.me” and “OSIRT”; programming of CSA plans - Cyber security assessment and ERM planning – Enterprise risk management and Key Indicator.

- **Excellent level:** Office suite tools, site management in WordPress and on major social media

## ***PUBLICATIONS***

Spera C., “**L’evoluzione dell’amministrazione regionale in Italia: l’Umbria tra leadership al femminile e pluralismo politico-territoriale**”, Agenzia Umbria Ricerche, focus published online at [www.agenziaumbriaricerche.it](http://www.agenziaumbriaricerche.it).

Fatuzzo V., Cannistraci M.S., Spera C., Anni C., Corda C., Anderson G. V., Corigliano A., “**2001-2021 - Twenty years since 9/11: causes, errors, lessons and legacy of the global war on terror**”, Kindle Edition, Amazon distribution, *IARI – Institute for International Relations Analysis*.

Chiappetta F., in collaboration with Spera C. and Sberze A., “**Maritime Cyber Security and digital forensic analysis - Digital forensic analysis in incidents and IT attacks in the maritime sector (ships and ports)**”, Published online at [www.babilonmagazine.it](http://www.babilonmagazine.it).

### **Articles published on [www.iari.site](http://www.iari.site) - Website of *IARI – Institute for International Relations Analysis***

From June 2020 to June 2022:

Spera C., “Will Puerto Rico be annexed in the United States?”

Spera C., “Because, this time too, a real debate on weapons will not open in the USA”

Spera C., “How and what US intelligence influences the Ukrainian conflict”

Spera C., “The Russian invasion of Ukraine according to the CIA”

Spera C., “Biden meets the Ukrainian prime minister, the Uniting for Ukraine program starts”

Spera C., “The state of relations between the United States and France in the aftermath of the first round of the French presidential elections”

Spera C., “USA: setback in the battle against hate crimes”

Spera C., “The political weight of US sanctions against Russia”

Spera C., “How and why the Afghanistan crisis affecting the Ukraine one”

Spera C., “The US army killed the ISIS leader al-Qurayshi”

Spera C., “The next midterm elections will represent an opportunity for the more radical candidates”

Spera C., “Nord Stream 2: the balance, domestic and international, is in the hands of the democratic party”

Spera C., “2021: black budget for gun violence in the United States”

Spera C., “When water kills: the Flint case”

Spera C., “The Build Back Better Act approved: it’s an historic moment for the United States”

Spera C., “The Legacy of Colin Powell”

Spera C., “New summit between the United States, Israel and the United Arab Emirates”

Spera C., “The United States reveals the amount of its nuclear warheads”

Spera C., “Elections in Canada: Justin Trudeau’s pyrrhic victory”

Spera C., “Afghanistan: what swing voters think”

Spera C., “Twenty years after 9/11”

Spera C., “Texas says no to abortion”

Spera C., “What is behind Biden's words on Afghanistan”

Spera C., “From States to the Supreme Court: The United States’ Anti-Abortion Crusade”

Spera C., “The White House chooses an iron fist against ransomware attacks”

Spera C., “Biden and the well-known Haiti”

Spera C., “In the USA suicide rate among the military is four times higher than who died on mission”

Spera C., “Lina Khan to the antitrust: it's war against the digital giants”

Spera C., “Historic mobilizations for native rights in Canada”

Spera C., “Global minimum taxation: agreement reached at the G7”

Spera C., “Evidence of US-Palestine dialogue: the consulate in Jerusalem will reopen”

Spera C., “The embargo against Cuba between vaccines, tensions and new openings”

Spera C., “What will change in the USA after the new executive order on cyber security”

Spera C., "The United States towards new regulations on firearms"

Spera C., "Announced the American Families Plan, the third (and last?) stage of Biden's New Deal"

Spera C., "The consequences of the trial of Derek Chauvin"

Spera C., "The United States has announced new sanctions against Russia"

Spera C., "International relations travel by sea"

Spera C., "The Nord Stream 2 gas pipeline rekindles tensions between the United States and Germany"

Spera C., "Black Lives Matter: beyond the squares, beyond one's borders"

Spera C., "Who Will Pay for the Texan Cold?"

Spera C., "What future for the US industrial sector?"

Spera C., "The precarious boundary between coercion and diplomacy"

Spera C., "The price of self-defense in the United States"

Spera C., "The United States rushes towards the reconstruction of the Atlantic alliance"

Spera C., "Trump has been acquitted"

Spera C., "The Democratic majority in the Senate is called Stacey Abrams"

Spera C., "Inauguration Day: what has changed from Trump to Biden"

Spera C., "The United States towards Joe Biden's day one"

Spera C., "Capitol Hill under siege, what will become of US politics"

Spera C., "Voter Suppression: history and scenarios for 2021"

Spera C., "Cuba – United States, what prospects?"

Spera C., "Trump is leaving, Qanon is staying"

Spera C., "Lights and shadows on the appointment of Lloyd Austin as secretary of defence"

Spera C., "USA 2020: now is the time for the big voters"

Spera C., "From Yellen to Blinken: all the new appointments of the Biden government"

Spera C., "Biden and Trudeau towards a new neighborhood policy"

Spera C., "Who will be the future US secretary of state?"

Spera C., "Tensions between Canada and China explode over Hong Kong"

Spera C., "The Latin vote in the United States"

Spera C., "Joe Biden is the President-elect of the United States of America"

Spera C., "USA 2020: the vote of the Italian americans"

Spera C., "USA 2020: a vow of faith"

Spera C., "Early voting in 2020 America: the importance of means"

Spera C., "USA 2020 and the future of relations with the EU"

Spera C., "Where the swing states go"

Spera C., "Trump hospitalized: uncertainties and new scenarios"

Spera C., "The appointment of ACB to the supreme court"

Spera C., "Aftermath of Doha negotiations, the United States on the way to total disengagement from Afghanistan"

Spera C., "Trump and the scandal of statements about soldiers killed in the war"

Spera C., "The 2002 National Security Strategy and the foundations of preventive war"

Spera C., "51 United States of America?"

Spera C., "US Presidential 2020, who stays silent wins?"

Spera C., "Vietnam and Iraq: the controversial comparison in the words of President Bush"

Spera C., "White Suprematism and Far-Right Terrorism in the United States"