

Conference Thematic Areas



1. Historical and documentary research
2. Theoretical concepts
3. Built heritage research
4. Characterization of geo-materials
5. Digital Heritage
6. Culture and management
7. Miscellany

Conference Venues // Rooms

- 1) Piazza Borghese 9, 00186 Roma // Aula Magna + B5 Room
- 2) Via Flaminia 72, 00196 Roma // F2, F3 Rooms
- 3) Via Mariano Fortuny // Y1, Y2, Y3 Rooms

Program Day 1 (19/02/2026)

Building	<p>Piazza Borghese 9, 00186 Roma - 1st Floor (Aula Magna + B5)</p> <p>https://maps.app.goo.gl/zSSHPKGyJzpmWn6Q8</p> <p><i>Note for all: Registration is not mandatory to attend the 19th morning session, and the registration desk will not be present in the Borghese building. Participants who wish to register before can do so from 8:30 AM in the Via Fortuny building. All the others can register during lunchtime in the Fortuny building.</i></p>
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09:00 - 10:00

Institution Greetings

Antonella Polimeni, *Sapienza University of Rome Rectress*

Stefano Catucci, *Vice -Dean of Architecture Faculty*

Daniela Esposito, *Head of History, Representation and Restoration of Architecture Department*

Maurizio Caperna, *Coordinator of History, Representation and Restoration of Architecture PhD Program – SIRA Vice-President*

Ornella Zerlenga, *UID President*

Pablo Rodriguez-Navarro, *President of the International Society for Mediterranean Fortifications- FORTMED*

Michele Russo, *FORTMED 26 chair*

Marta Acierno, *FORTMED 26 chair*

10:00 - 11:00

Introductory Round Table - Chair: Marta Acierno

Fortifications and the contemporary city: a relationship to nurture and protect

Simone Quilici, *Colosseo Park Director*

Stefano Borghini, *Colosseo Park Officer*

Adele Cesi, *UNESCO Focal point, Ministry of Culture*

Giulio Mirabella Roberti, *Scientific Coordinator for the activities supporting the UNESCO nomination of the “Venetian Works of Defence”, Università di Bergamo*

Valentina Garramone, *Direzione Musei Nazionali della città di Roma Officer*

11:00 - 11:30 **Coffee Break**

11:30 - 12:30 **Keynote Lectures - Chair: Michele Russo**

Inside and outside the mediterranean coast. Fortifications as historical narrative and conservation challenge

Donatella Fiorani

El patrimonio fortificado. Cádiz y el Caribe, una relación transatlántica

Pilar Chias Navarro

Buildings **Via Flaminia / Via M. Fortuny - (F2, F3, Y1, Y2, Y3 Rooms)**
Transfer of all conference participants to the venue in Via Fortuny (18 minutes on foot) <https://maps.app.goo.gl/5J9qFDDzLpScWeh29>

13:00 - 14:30 **Registration (Via M. Fortuny)**
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13:00 - 14:30 **Lunch Break (Via M. Fortuny)**

Track 1 **Session 1A - Chair: Luis José García-Pulido**
Fortuny **Military Architects and Engineers: Drawings, Projects, and Treatises**
Room: Y1

14:30 - 14:45 Art of War in Teofilo Gallaccini's Drawings
Fabio Colonnese

14:45 - 15:00 Procedures, management and workers in war demolitions: the adjustment and dismantling of Castro's fortifications (1641-1649)
Giordano Ocelli

15:00 - 15:15 Pompeo Robutti Gentleman, a military engineer and treatise writer
Annalisa Dameri

15:15 - 15:30 Parallel Lives: Guarini and Dechales and the Theories of Fortification
Roberta Spallone, Martina Rinascimento

15:30 - 15:45 Perspectives of *Monumenta bellica* in the treatise of Andrea Pozzo
Anna Marotta

15:45 - 16:00 Examples of military architecture in Piedmont in the first decades of the eighteenth century through the drawing collection of the engineer Augusto de la Vallée (1698-1742)
Marcello Schirru

16:00 - 16:15 Session Remark

Track 3
Fortuny
Room: Y2

Session 1B - Chair: Donatella Rita Fiorino
Multiscale knowledge processes in serial architectures

14:30 - 14:45 Torre Paola in the Circeo National Park (LT), between history, restoration and valorisation
Maria Letizia Accorsi, Roberta Maria Dal Mas, Marta Formosa

14:45 - 15:00 Torre Astura. Surveys and investigations on a multi-stratified site
Marina Doccia, Elisa Fidenzi

15:00 - 15:15 Camerino fortress system at the time of Da Varano dukedom: knowledge of history and military architecture
Michelle Lippi

15:15 - 15:30 Medieval defensive structures in Poland (10th-16th c.). Typological and proprietary classification, territorial distribution, state of preservation
Alicja Maria Postrożny

15:30 - 15:45 A new approach to the Castilian-Nasrid border: Belmez castle and the watchtowers of the Sol and the Lucero (Belmez de la Moraleda, Jaén, Spain)
Roque Modrego Fernández, José David Espinosa Fernández, Mercedes Navarro Pérez, Juan Carlos Castillo Armenteros, José María Martín Civantos

15:45 - 16:00 The fortified rural landscape in Piedmont: some examples of 'rural castles' between Turin and Racconigi
Federica Castiglione, Alice Vergano

16:00 - 16:15 Session Remark

Track 5
Fortuny
Room: Y3

Session 1C - Chair: Pablo Rodriguez Navarro
Restoration and Conservation: studies on materials and initial form

14:30 - 14:45 Endangered fortifications: The kulla of northern Albania in survey and conservation
Edmond Pergega, Blerina Tabaku, Saimira Arapi, Gjergji Islami

14:45 - 15:00 LiDAR sensors and mobile mapping for the survey of historical architecture: the case study of the Castellare degli Uggeri - Siena (Italy)
Gioele Rossi, Jacopo Bruttini, Fabio Gabbianni, Marco Giamello, Enrico Tavarinelli

15:00 - 15:15 Sacrum et Munitum: architecture between faith and defense. The case of the Church of Saints Peter and Paul in Agrò
Sonia Mercurio, Marinella Arena

15:15 - 15:30 Franciscan reinterpretations: architectural adaptations and reuse of medieval fortified structures in Campania
Valeria Cera, Giuseppe Antuono

15:30 - 15:45 Stone sentinels: the coastal towers of Forio d'Ischia
Patryk Rynkowski, Francesca Romana Stabile, Daniele Calisi

15:45 - 16:00 Eastern Elba: The Birth and Transformations of Portoferraio and Its Military Architecture
Tommaso Empler, Adriana Caldarone, Pasquale Micelli

16:00 - 16:15 Session Remark

Track 3
Flaminia
Room: F2

Session 1D - Chair: Marco Giorgio Bevilacqua
From diagnostic knowledge to structural restoration design

14:30 - 14:45	Comparative data at the conclusion of the conservation restoration works of the civic walls in Piazza Fiera (Trento) <i>Anna Bruschetti, Monica Endrizzi, Giorgia Gentilini, Elena Miles</i>
14:45 - 15:00	The role of non-invasive diagnostic investigations in the conservation of fortified cultural heritage: methodology and a case study <i>Cesare Crova, Francesco Miraglia</i>
15:00 - 15:15	Rocca Orsini in Alba Fucens (Abruzzo, Italy): structural lecture and intervention strategies for the conservation of a 'weak' fortress <i>Adalgisa Donatelli, Barbara Tarullo</i>

Track 6

15:15 - 15:30	Interdisciplinary methodological perspectives in university research. The ForteMare project: an ongoing research path <i>Zaira Barone, Clelia La Mantia</i>
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Track 4

15:30 - 15:45	Archaeometric and geophysical analyses for the study and conservation of the watchtower of St. Agatha (Red Tower) in Malta <i>Maurizio Lazzari, Francesco Cavalcante, Emanuele Colica, Sebastiano D'Amico, Lara De Giorgi, Antonio Lettino, Giovanni Leucci, Raffaele Persico</i>
15:45 - 16:00	Preliminary archaeometric analyses of reused Roman materials: the case of the tower at Via dei Montanini 16 in Siena, Italy <i>Gioele Rossi, Fabio Gabbianni, Marco Giamello, Andrea Scala, Enrico Tavarnelli</i>
16:00 - 16:15	Session Remark

Track 3

Flaminia
Room: F3

14:30 - 14:45	Ceilings in medieval defensive buildings in Sicily. The case study of the painted ceiling of the XIV century Ventimiglia's Castle in Castelbuono (Palermo): comparisons between regional and European examples <i>Maria Teresa Campisi, Giulia Scalia</i>
14:45 - 15:00	Inheriting Gourara's Fortresses Materiality through Vernacular Stone Master-Builders' Know-How (Algerian Sahara) <i>Mahrour Illili</i>
15:00 - 15:15	Earth and rock as constituent elements of 16th century fortifications <i>Pietro Matracchi</i>
15:15 - 15:30	Constructing on the Frontier of al-Andalus: Building Evolution at the Castle of La Estrella in Teba (Málaga) <i>Juan Manuel Ríos Jiménez, Alberto García Porras</i>
15:30 - 15:45	From Ragusa to the Eo estuary: the defensive system of a strategic area for shipbuilding in the western Cantabrian Sea (Asturias-Galicia, northern Spain) <i>Patricia Suárez Manjón</i>
15:45 - 16:00	The Three Walls Problem: The Unearthing and Protection of Structures beneath St. Michael's Fortress in Šibenik, Croatia <i>Josip Pavić, Andrija Nakić</i>
16:00 - 16:15	Session Remark

16:15 - 16:45 Coffee Break

Track 1
Fortuny
Room: Y1

Session 2A - Chair: Giovanni Coppola
Towers, castles, and fortresses

16:45 - 17:00 The Tower of Tablate, a case of a Nasrid defensive tower in the Leqrín Valley
Alessia Chillemi

17:00 - 17:15 Stately towers in the Estate and House of Baza of the Enríquez-Luna lineage (Kingdom of Granada, Spain)
Luis José García-Pulido, Lorenzo Sánchez Quirante, Frida Salazar Martín

17:15 - 17:30 Oriental marbles in Castel del Monte in Andria (Puglia, Italy)
Maurizio Delli Santi

17:30 - 17:45 The fortress of Sinj: fortification projects and border defence in Venetian Dalmatia until 1714
Darka Bilić, Krasanka Majer Jurišić

17:45 - 18:00 Where was the Church located in St Michael's Fortress in Šibenik?
Karla Papeš

18:00 - 18:15 Engineers against water: The case of the aljibes in La Cabaña fortress in Havana
Talia Quesada Campaña, Marica Forni

18:15 - 18:30 From caravanserai to fortress: early typological foundations of medieval fortifications on the Mediterranean coast
Mohand Oulmas, Angel Benigno Gonzalez Aviles, Mohammed Chabi, Amina Abdessemed-Foufa

18:30 - 18:45 Session Remark

Track 3
Fortuny
Room: Y2

Session 2B - Chair: Anna Marotta
Architectures and knowledge processes of the 19th and 20th centuries

16:45 - 17:00 Historical continuities and physical discontinuities among fortified elements of the Genoese coast
Cristina Càndito, Alessia Segalerba

17:00 - 17:15 Defensive Build-up: Coastal Fortifications of the Second World War in Occupied Attica, Greece
Stylianos Gidis

17:15 - 17:30 Forte Bravetta in Rome: a fortress safeguarding historical memory, pending a definitive designation
Fabrizio De Cesaris, Liliana Ninarello

17:30 - 17:45 Between conservation and progress: the use of ancient walls in Rome, capital of the Kingdom of Italy
Rossana Mancini

17:45 - 18:00 The Lancellotti Castle in Lauro: between fiction and noble identity
Giuseppe Mollo

18:00 - 18:15 Interventions in Castel Sant'Angelo and its visual connection to Saint Peter's Basilica through via della Conciliazione during the *Ventennio fascista*
Xingrui Pan

18:15 - 18:30 The Angevin-Aragonese Castle of Gaeta: Historical Sources and Restoration Insights through Paterna Baldizzi's Drawings
Luigi Cappelli

18:30 - 18:45 Session Remark

Track 5
Fortuny
Room: Y3

Session 2C - Chair: Giovanna Spadafora
Heritage Enhancement and Knowledge Dissemination

16:45 - 17:00	Experimental connections among the fortified <i>Masserie</i> of the <i>Montagna Materana</i> : digital forms for knowledge, dissemination and regeneration <i>Ali Yaser Jafari, Antonio Contea Marianna Calia, Alessia Alkkoci, Davide Lagrotta</i>
17:00 - 17:15	Virtual Tours and BIM as Heritage Tools: The Case of Forte San Giovanni <i>Riccardo Maria Giannelli, Volha Petravets, Maksim Afonchanka, Michele Codeglia, Daniela Barbieri, Norbert Frroku</i>
17:15 - 17:30	The Guglielmi Castle on Isola Maggiore: from Architectural Survey to a Proposal for Valorization and Communication <i>Valeria Menchetelli, Francesco Cotana, Chiara Spippoli</i>
17:30 - 17:45	Consistence of memories and lightness of the present: the Rigena Tower in Larnaca, Cyprus <i>Giorgio Verdiani, Alexia Charalambous</i>
17:45 - 18:00	Advanced digital modelling of the Torre del Mar (Borriana, Castellón): from digital fabrication to immersive experience through eXtended Reality (XR) <i>Enrico Pupi, Roberta Spallone, Teresa Gil-Piquer, Pablo Rodríguez-Navarro</i>
	The Castellina of Norcia: from historical knowledge to digital valorization <i>Francesca Funis, Valeria Menchetelli, Serena Pallotti</i>
18:00 - 18:15	The Castelluccio of Gela: from documentation to digital rediscovery <i>Antonella Versaci, Alessio Cardaci, Paola Cammilleri</i>
18:15 - 18:30	The coastal tower of San Giovanni in Ugento (Le): historical investigations, architectural survey and digital restoration <i>Ivan Ferrari, Francesco Giuri</i>
18:30 - 18:45	Session Remark

Track 3
Flaminia
Room: F2

Session 2D - Chair: Marina Docci
Constructing the limit:walls between materiality, threshold, and the city

16:45 - 17:00	Layers of Stone: Investigating the Building Techniques of Vico's Ancient Wall <i>Marta Acierno, Giovanna Ferra, Elisabetta Giorgi, Carlo Inglese</i>
17:00 - 17:15	The Borgo Fantasma of Celleno: a medieval fortification <i>Barbara Aterini, Raffaele Vergaro</i>
17:15 - 17:30	Picene, Roman, Medieval Walls and other subsequent construction stratifications in the defense system of the city of Ascoli Piceno: some contributions of knowledge <i>Enrica Petrucci, Maria Giovanna Putzu</i>
17:30 - 17:45	An examination of Putignano's defensive system: historical and architectural perspectives <i>Maurizio Dalena</i>
17:45 - 18:00	Pietramelara: architecture and identity of a Campania village <i>Felicia Di Girolamo</i>
18:00 - 18:15	The walls of Altamura. Stratigraphic and morpho-typological investigations for understanding and enhancing their value <i>Angela Diceglie, Aleksandar Dajković</i>
18:15 - 18:30	A complex 'offensive machine': the bastion of Santa Trinita in the Prato city walls <i>Paula Guarducci, Alessandro Merlo</i>

18:30 - 18:45 Session Remark

Track 3
Flaminia
Room: F3

Session 2E - Chair: Donatella Rita Fiorino
Conservation design as the critical construction of operational criteria and references

16:45 - 17:00 From garrison to imprisonment: Issues of conservation and reuse of stratified island fortresses: the case of the phlegraean Islands in the Gulf of Naples
Francesca Naldi

17:00 - 17:15 Fortifications as Guardia Civil barracks: the ultimate act of service
Daniel Pinzón-Ayala

17:15 - 17:30 *Castrum et feudum Ralsuctani in Valle Demine Sicilie Regni et in territorio Terre Petralie Superioris*: notes for restoration and conservation
Salvatore Tito Vaccaro

17:30 - 17:45 Accessible cities, 'permeable' urban walls. Experiences of accessibility to fortified heritage between Italy and Spain
Antonio Festa

17:45 - 18:00 Comparative study of the restoration of eight 'Battery Towers for two cannons', built in the former Kingdom of Granada from 1764 onwards
Antonio Orihuela Uzal, Luis José García-Pulido

18:00 - 18:15 Multidisciplinary Studies, Knowledge Development, and Dissemination of Fragile and Inaccessible Fortified Heritage: The Case Study of Castle of *Uggiano Ruins* in Ferrandina (MT)
Daniele Altamura, Antonio Pecci, Michele Iacovazzi, Pietro B. Carosone, Leonardo Pecora, Giuseppe Lafergola, Paolo D'Amelio

18:15 - 18:30 Session Remark

21:00 – 23:00 **Scientific Committee Dinner**

Program Day 2 (20/02/2026)

Building

Via Flaminia / Via M. Fortuny - (F2, F3, Y1, Y2, Y3 Rooms)

08:45 - 10:00

Registration (Via M. Fortuny)

Track 1
Fortuny
Room: Y1

Session 3A - Chair: Ornella Zerlenga

Fortifications and cities: projects and interventions from the 17th to the 19th century

09:00 - 09:15 The Della Rovere Castles in the Unpublished Drawings by Girolamo Cialdieri: The Muzio Oddi Album from the University of St Andrews
Paolo Bertoncini Sabatini, Marco Giorgio Bevilacqua

09:15 - 09:30 Oneglia's fortifications: new documents and remaining legacies
Maria Vittoria Cattaneo

09:30 - 09:45	The Kasbah of Essaouira. A fortified naval base on the Atlantic coast of Morocco (18th century) <i>Lamia Hadda</i>
09:45 - 10:00	<i>Plan de la Ville et Citadelle</i> : representations in the Napoleonic era for a border stronghold <i>Cristina Boido, Pia Davico</i>
10:00 - 10:15	Critical comparison of von Sholl's never-built plans for the Verona bridgehead <i>Denise Ulivieri, Michele Russo</i>
10:15 - 10:30	Fortifications of the maritime stronghold of Civitavecchia: expansions and transformations between the Papal States and the Kingdom of Italy <i>Carmen Vincenza Manfredi</i>
10:30 - 10:45	Session Remark

Track 3
Fortuny
Room: Y2

	Session 3B - Chair: Andrea Ruggieri Fortified systems as nodes—their relationship with the territory
09:00 - 09:15	The Towers of the Tyrrhenian coast (ex Papal State) between history and new realities <i>Maria Grazia Turco</i>
09:15 - 09:30	Approach to the Historical-Artistic City of Moya and its recovery. Key to the three Kingdoms <i>Fernando Olmedilla Lacasa, Yanira Huertas de Maya, Matías A. Ramírez Fernández</i>
09:30 - 09:45	Space, Identity and Protection: the Apulian “Masseria” as a reflection of the human-landscape relationship <i>Evelina Proto, Enrico Lamacchia</i>
09:45 - 10:00	The defensive complex of the Lebrón Valley: between intervisibility and typological definitions of Nasrid defensive elements <i>Alessia Chillemi, Jose Francisco Peral Lopez, Fabio Todesco</i>
10:00 - 10:15	A strategic fortified route between the Guadalquivir River and the Kingdom of Granada (Spain) <i>Pilar Chías Navarro, Tomás Abad, Lucas Fernández-Trapa</i>
10:15 - 10:30	Rediscovery of a Sicilian coastal defensive complex: historical evolution and morphological analysis of the Brolo tower-castle (ME) <i>Alessio Altadonna, Alessia Chillemi, Giuseppina Salvo, Fabio Todesco</i>
10:30 - 10:45	Session Remark

Track 5
Fortuny
Room: Y3

	Session 3C - Chair: Giorgio Verdiani Territorial-scale analyses (relationship between defensive sites and territory, intervisibility analysis)
09:00 - 09:15	Geospatial analysis of the visual domain exercised by the Trigueros castle and its insertion in the castral system of the county of Niebla in the 15th Century <i>Juan José Fondevilla Aparicio</i>
09:15 - 09:30	Strategy and optimisation of the surveying process using SfM photogrammetry: the case of Alcudia de Veo Castle (Castellón) <i>Ana Pérez-Vila, Teresa Gil-Piqueras, Pablo Rodríguez-Navarro</i>

09:30 - 09:45	The Alcamo Stronghold: Multi-Scalar Survey and Hybrid Representation of the Sardinian Defensive Front (1942–1943) <i>Giancarlo Sanna, Andrea Pirinu, Andrés Martínez Medina, Nicola Paba</i>
09:45 - 10:00	Monastic Fortifications in the Judean Desert (<i>al-Barriyya</i>): 3D geo-mapping and Virtual Heritage for the assessment of dynamic heritage values <i>Raffaella De Marco</i>
10:00 - 10:15	Patterns of Andalusi rural settlements in the Cocentaina region (Alicante) <i>Santiago Quesada-García, María Lozano-Gómez</i>
10:15 - 10:30	The bunkers of Clot de Galvany, Mediterranean Wall, 1937-1938 <i>Andrés Martínez Medina, Giancarlo Sanna, Pablo Jeremías Juan Gutiérrez</i>
10:30 - 10:45	Session Remarks

Track 3
Flaminia
Room: F2

Session 3D - Chair: Silvia Cutarelli	
Synthesis of type and function: hybrid types in fortified architecture	
09:00 - 09:15	Fortified masserie (farmhouses) along the transhumance routes in the Abruzzo region <i>Annalisa Colecchia</i>
09:15 - 09:30	San Nicola of Colleperdo: Between Spirituality and Defense, the Hybrid Identity of a Medieval Monastery <i>Francesco Giampietro, Federica Guglielmi, Marta Acierno</i>
09:30 - 09:45	Considerations about fortified rural architecture in Southern Italy. The case of 'masserie fortificate' between Basilicata and Puglia: a proposal for analysis and demystification <i>Enrico Lamacchia, Evelina Proto</i>
09:45 - 10:00	Fortified farmhouses and rural settlements in the medieval Campagna Romana: The Case of the Casale della Spizzichina <i>Silvia Seller</i>
10:00 - 10:15	Tracing the influence of fortification culture in the morphology and architectural features of housing developed in the territory of Albania in the 14th-19th century <i>Denada Veizaj, Iris Bulku</i>
10:15 - 10:30	The <i>Manuali del Recupero</i> : A systemic intervention strategy for the watchtowers of the western Mediterranean <i>Marina Peral Parra, Yolanda Spairani Berrio</i>
10:30 - 10:45	Session Remarks

Track 6
Flaminia
Room: F3

Session 3E - Chair: Vincenzo Cirillo	
Fortification management between tangible and intangible heritage	
09:00 - 09:15	Heritage education and dissemination in the castles of the province of Alicante (Spain) and the voivodeship of Pomorskie (Poland) <i>Juan Antonio Mira Rico, Agnieszka Kowalska, Monika Rogalewska</i>
09:15 - 09:30	Participatory Model for the Management and Enhancement of the Cultural Heritage of Mussomeli (CL): The Manfredonian Castle as a Driver of Widespread Tourism <i>Mariateresa Galizia, Gloria Russo, Graziana D'Agostino, Giuseppe Maria Spera</i>

09:30 - 09:45	The Night of Fortresses: A transnational model for sustainable and inclusive cultural heritage management <i>Gorana Barišić Bačelić, Đurđa Vrljević Šarić</i>
09:45 - 10:00	Ancona: from fortress city to an inclusive city of the future. Military heritage as a driver for urban identity, experimentation, exploration, and regeneration <i>Giovanna Badaloni</i>
10:00 - 10:15	Wartime landscapes and cultural heritage: the Gustav Line's Abruzzo segment between historical memory and territorial development <i>Annalisa Colecchia</i>
10:15 - 10:30	The Museum of Defensive Systems in Europe, in the Citadel of Alexandria <i>Anna Marotta</i>
10:30 - 10:45	Session Remarks

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee Break

Track 1
Fortuny
Room: Y1

Session 4A - Chair: Marco Vitali
Defensive Strongholds and Urban Spaces over Time

11:15 - 11:30	Analyzing the design and structure of the Sea Walls of Constantinople <i>Nisa Semiz</i>
11:30 - 11:45	<i>Villanova Maris Valentiae</i> , a walled town by the port of Valencia <i>Rosa Mª Pastor Villa</i>
11:45 - 12:00	From <i>Mellianum</i> to <i>Miglianico</i> , from the <i>castrum</i> to the <i>Masci</i> palace: the difficult protection of an Adriatic historical center <i>Stefano Cecamore, Claudio Varagnoli</i>
12:00 - 12:15	The image of Territorial 'Entremeios' in the Vila Nova de Cerveira-Goián Defensive Subsystem (1621-1763). Cartographic analysis for reading the military landscape <i>Tiago Rodrigues, João Cabeleira</i>
12:15 - 12:30	Port and coastal fortifications from Brundisium to Brindisi: new geoarchaeological data and archival research <i>Fabiana Ribezzi, Maurizio Lazzari</i>
12:30 - 12:45	Session Remark

Track 3
Fortuny
Room: Y2

Session 4B - Chair: Andrés Martínez Medina
Research on the built heritage: knowledge processes of a complex stratification—fortified systems and urbanization

11:15 - 11:30	Three stages of the fortification of Split in the 17th century: comparative analysis <i>Snježana Perojević</i>
11:30 - 11:45	Promoting knowledge and interpretation of fortified architecture: the case of the digital reconstruction of the central courtyard of Trani Swabian Castle <i>Daniela Concas, Davide Mezzino, Fabrizio Tritto</i>
11:45 - 12:00	Fortifications in Abruzzo's coastal territory: the Aragonese Castle of Ortona <i>Tiziana Mignogna, Francesca Russo</i>
12:00 - 12:15	The Fortress of Senigallia and the fortifications in the Malatesta territory in the 15th century. Typological comparisons between coeval fabrics and conservation and enhancement features <i>Alfonso Ausilio, Alessandra Pacheco</i>

12:15 - 12:30	The fortress of the Royal Citadel of Messina. A project for the regeneration and restoration of the falcata area <i>Enrico Carafa, Vincenzo Guadagno, Salvatore Tito Vaccaro</i>
12:30 - 12:45	Session Remark

Track 5
Fortuny
Room: Y3

11:15 - 11:30	Fortification, transformations, disasters, a complex vicissitude for the Krujë Fortress in Albania <i>Giorgio Verdiani, Stéphane Giraudeau, Elisa Miho</i>
11:30 - 11:45	Kruja Castle in Albania: digital technologies for the knowledge and valorisation of the fortified heritage <i>Angelo De Cicco, Andrea Maliqari</i>
11:45 - 12:00	Historical-architectural analysis and digital documentation of the military complex and Norman castle of <i>Civitas Allipharum</i> <i>Raffaella Fiorillo, Angelo De Cicco</i>
12:00 - 12:15	Digitization of fortifications using UAV and TLS for conservation, diagnosis and structural analysis: the case of the Castles of Callosa del Segura and Forna <i>José Antonio Huesca-Tortosa, Yolanda Spairani-Berrio, María Isabel Pérez-Millán, Carlos Pérez-Carramiñana</i>
12:15 - 12:30	Reconstrucción digital y análisis morfológico del trazado de la muralla de Trujillo (Perú) mediante herramientas SIG <i>Diego Javier Celis Estrada, Teresa Gil-Piqueras, Pablo Rodríguez-Navarro</i>
12:30 - 12:45	Session Remark

Track 3
Flaminia
Room: F2

11:15 - 11:30	The continuation of the conservation and restoration project of the Paleologi Castle in Casale Monferrato (Alessandria). The western bastions and the southern counterscarp <i>Giorgia Gentilini, Monica Endrizzi</i>
11:30 - 11:45	The demolition of the Monjas bastion and the construction of the Hotel Imperial Tarraco: vicissitudes of a Mediterranean watchtower <i>Elena de Ortueta Hilberath</i>
11:45 - 12:00	The Castle of Mazzarino: Territorial Connections, Historical Transformations, and Emerging Opportunities for Public Engagement <i>Silvia Di Stefano, María Teresa Campisi</i>
12:00 - 12:15	The industrialisation of iron as a material used in heritage enhancement to highlight the value of slopes of Callosa del Segura Castle <i>Angel L. Rocamora Ruiz, Angel B. González Avilés, Carlos Pérez Carramiñana, Jose A. Huesca Tortosa</i>
12:15 - 12:30	‘Adaptive reuse’ as a Conservation Technique: The Eleftheria Square Project in Nicosia <i>Zehra Öngül</i>
12:30 - 12:45	Session Remark

Track 6
Flaminia
Room: F3

Session 4E - Chair: Anna Guarducci
Territorial knowledge towards fortification management

11:15 - 11:30 A proposal for regional development: towards a network of 'Fortresses/Faro' in the Alessandria area
Anna Marotta, Piera Migliore

11:30 - 11:45 The fortress Le Castella on the Ionian Sea. Results of a diagnostic plan
Caterina Gattuso, Domenico Gattuso

11:45 - 12:00 Defending the Langhe: the potential for castle networks within regional and cultural development policy
Fabio Ambrogio, Emanuele Romeo

12:00 - 12:15 Analysis and proposals for Genoese Walls and Forts Park
Massimo Malagugini

12:15 - 12:30 Presentation COIMA Company

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Unified Session - Chair: Michele Russo
Project Session (interdisciplinary project and networking framed in the fortification domain)

Digital information models about construction knowledge of the early modern military architecture. The PRIN 2022 INFORTREAT project
Marco Giorgio Bevilacqua

The defensive systems of the city of Rome in the past and present. Processes of heritagization of the Aurelian Walls and military forts (19th-21st centuries)
Francesca Lembo Fazio

Documentation strategies for the study, representation and recovery of twentieth-century war landscapes. Comparative analyses along the Mediterranean coastline.
Andrea Pirinu

13:15 - 14:30 **Lunch Break**

Track 1
Fortuny
Room: Y1

Session 5A - Chair: Annalisa Dameri
Defensive systems for territorial control: material evidence and documentary sources

14:30 - 14:45 The Ismaili fortresses of the 'Assassins' in Syria: a heritage yet to be discovered and explored
Giovanni Coppola

14:45 - 15:00 Castruccio Castracani and the Castels of Lunigiana
Claudia Aveta, Stefano Calabretta

15:00 - 15:15 Fortresses and castles in Val d'Aniene. Traces in historical cartography and landscape
Valeria Montanari

15:15 - 15:30 The defenses of Corsica in the second half of the sixteenth century. El Fratin's design for the citadels of Ajaccio and San Fiorenzo
Andrea Pirinu

15:30 - 15:45	The little-known warning function of the bell tower of the Mother Church of Acireale in the 16th-17th century <i>Davide Li Rosi</i>
15:45 - 16:00	Session Remark

Track 3
Fortuny
Room: Y2

14:30 - 14:45	From abandonment to heritage resource: hypotheses for the virtual restitution of the Castle of Villanueva del Fresno (Badajoz) <i>Alejandro Bocanegra Cayero</i>
14:45 - 15:00	Theory and Practice in the Fortification of the Spanish Empire: Escrivá, Antonelli and Uduarte <i>Andrea Ruggieri, Diego Javier Celis Estrada, Teresa Gil-Piquer, Pablo Rodríguez-Navarro</i>
15:00 - 15:15	From tomb to fortress: the mausoleum of Cecilia Metella and its reuse in the Caetani castrum at Capo di Bove from the post-ancient period to the Nineteenth Century <i>Simone Lucchetti</i>
15:15 - 15:30	The Kasbah of Mehdiya, the early historical development of a Moroccan fortress <i>Elena Gigliarelli, Anna Paola Pola, Stefano Cursi, Filippo Calcerano, Letizia Martinelli, Youssef Al Ganadi, Luciano Cessari</i>
15:30 - 15:45	The wuidinghi stronghold of the lower Valdisieve: documentation of Vicorati Castle <i>Alessandro Merlo, Gaia Lavoratti, Giulia Lazzari</i>
15:45 - 16:00	Session Remark

Track 5
Fortuny
Room: Y3

14:30 - 14:45	New perspectives on the Theodosian Land Walls of Istanbul through digital photogrammetry <i>Mustafa Sayan, Zeynep Eres</i>
14:45 - 15:00	Watchtowers on the coast of the kingdom of Granada (Spain). Graphic documentation as a starting point for their protection and conservation. Case studies: Melicena tower <i>Jose Antonio Benavides-Lopez, Jose Antonio Barrera-Vera, Enrique-José Fernandez-Tapia, Maria Isabel Mancilla Cabello</i>
15:00 - 15:15	Digitally Reframing Coastal Fortifications: Enhancing Visibility and Meaning in the Mediterranean Landscape <i>Giorgio Verdiani, Ylenia Ricci, Andrea Pasquali</i>
15:15 - 15:30	The fortified island of Ortigia: rediscovering a lost heritage through digitalization and historical memory <i>Roberta Cerruto</i>
15:30 - 15:45	Architectural analysis of the Aragones castle of Venosa. Pirro del Balzo <i>Luis Agustín-Hernández, Michele Buldo, Marta Quintilla Castán, Javier Domingo Ballesti</i>
15:45 - 16:00	Session Remark

Track 5
Flaminia
Room: F2

Session 5D - Chair: Giovanna Spadafora
Treatises and survey protocols

14:30 - 14:45 Methodologies for the valorisation of research applied to the fortified heritage. The INFORTREAT project
Alessandro Meloni, Martina Rinascimento, Marco Giorgio Bevilacqua, Roberta Spallone

14:45 - 15:00 Digital translation of early-modern fortification models. The case of “Della fortificazione delle citta...” by Girolamo Maggi and Giacomo Fusti Castriotto
Lorenzo Belli, Piergiuseppe Rechichi, Denise Ulivieri, Marco Giorgio Bevilacqua

15:00 - 15:15 Parametric modelling between supputation and graphic descriptions in Antoine de Ville’s Les fortifications (1628)
Martino Pavignano, Fabrizio Natta, Roberta Spallone

15:15 - 15:30 Semantic representation of historical architectural heritage with digital modeling methods: The Aragonese Tower in Bitonto (Bari)
Riccardo Tavolare, Giovanni Mongiello

15:30 - 15:45 Bastion survey protocol: operational activity framework for multi-scale surveys of fortified walls
Michele Russo, Gabriella Caroti

15:45 - 16:00 Session Remarks

Track 7
Flaminia
Room: F3

Session 5E - Chair: Luigi Corniello
Multi-scale study, analysis and valorisation of fortification settlements

14:30 - 14:45 The submerged wall of the Bocagrande canal in Cartagena de Indias, a defensive work by the military engineer Antonio de Arévalo (1769-1788)
Jorge Galindo-Díaz, Joan Fontás-Serrat

14:45 - 15:00 The Castle of Casertavecchia: ongoing research between archaeological excavation and digital surveying
Ornella Zerlenga, Nicola Busino, Domenico Iovane, Rosina Iaderosa

15:00 - 15:15 Thaddeus' Tower. A modern-era defensive structure in Burriana (Castellón, Spain)
Jose Manuel Melchor Monserrat

15:15 - 15:30 Rocks, settlements and fortifications in Calabria, between tangible and intangible protection
Rosario Chimirri

15:30 - 15:45 Adaptive Reuse and Musealization Strategies for the Rocca di Sala in Pietrasanta
Andrea Crudeli

15:45 - 16:00 Session Remarks

16:00 - 16:30 **Coffee Break**

Track 5
Fortuny
Room: Y1

Session 6A - Chair: Teresa Gil Piqueras
HBIM digital models and analysis of fortification systems

16:30 - 16:45	The medieval museum of Casentino valley: the case study of Romena castle as a design and research lab <i>Alessio Fantoni</i>
16:45 - 17:00	Defending the Venetian Lagoon: Digital Reconstruction of the Early Modern Fortress at the <i>Lido</i> <i>Ludovica Galeazzo, Gianlorenzo Della bartola, Federico Panarotto</i>
17:00 - 17:15	Defensive architecture between land and coast: the tower of Sessa Aurunca and the tower of Lago Patria <i>Michele Sabatino, Maria Prisco</i>
17:15 - 17:30	The digital survey for the construction of information models of fortified architecture on the island of Capri <i>Massimiliano Campi, Carmine Gambardella, Valeria Cera, Rosaria Parente, Marika Falcone, Marica Camerino</i>
17:30 - 17:45	The Pietrenere Coastal Battery in Taureana di Palmi (RC) <i>Francesco Stilo, Lorella Pizzonia</i>
17:45 – 18:00	Session Remark

Track 3
Fortuny
Room: Y2

Session 6B - Chair: Roberta Spallone
Knowledge processes of a complex stratification: castles

16:30 - 16:45	Aversa Castle from its origins to the present day <i>Riccardo Serraglio, Danila Jacazzi</i>
16:45 - 17:00	The origins of Bracciano Castle: the fortress of the Prefects of Vico <i>Francesco Vinciguerra</i>
17:00 - 17:15	The evolution of Crotone Castle from a defensive assault to a full-scale flanking operation <i>Tommaso Tedesco</i>
17:15 - 17:30	Castles and towers of the order of Calatrava in the Sierra Sur de Jaén: archaeological study of the Torrevieja castle and the Algarrobo tower (Fuensanta de Martos, Jaén, Spain) <i>José David Espinosa Fernández</i>
17:30 – 17:45	Session Remark

Track 3
Flaminia
Room: F2

Session 6D - Chair: Silvia Cutarelli
Conservation design and the assessment of construction solutions over time

16:30 - 16:45	The Tower of San Domenico: A Knowledge Project for the Restoration of the Walls of Vico nel Lazio <i>Marta Acierno, Elisabetta Giorgi, Carlo Inglese, Silvia Seller</i>
16:45 - 17:00	The forts of Valdivia: Theory and methods in the restoration of Chile's colonial ruins (1950-54) <i>Maria Victoria Correa Baeriswyl, Juan Blández Pérez</i>
17:00 - 17:15	Techniques and preservations of a Venetian structure in Albania (Castle of Bashtova) <i>Jonida Meniku, Eralda Bushi</i>
17:15 - 17:30	The Cassero di Fulignano and its geometry. Architectural and structural restoration of the Colonica di Fulignano in the municipality of San Gimignano, Siena <i>Domenico Taddei, Caterina Calvani, Antonio Taddei, Andrea Martini</i>

17:30 - 17:45 Session Remark

Track 2

Flaminia

Room: F3

Session 6E - Chair: Andrea Pirinu

From theory to practice in the fortification domain

16:30 - 16:45 Defensive Architecture and the Oval Shape in Military Treatises between the 16th and 18th Centuries

Ornella Zerlenga, Margherita Cicala, Riccardo Miele, Vincenzo Cirillo

16:45 - 17:00 From the high citadels of Pedro Escrivá in Naples to the new portuguese paradigm of coastal city-fortresses

João Campos

17:00 - 17:15 Urban walls and castles within bastioned fortifications: a contrastive analysis

Francesco Broglia

17:15 - 17:30 The Great Castle of Brindisi. A palimpsest of poliorcetics

Astro Ferrante

Track 5

17:30 - 17:45 The Montalbano Fortress in La Spezia, third session and last notes

Giorgio Verdiani, Ludovica Marinaro

17:30 - 17:45 Session Remark

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17:45 - 18:30

Unified Session - Chair: Michele Russo, Marta Acierno, Pablo Rodriguez-Navarro

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09:30 - 13:00 **Domus Aurea Tour**

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