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Co-Director of Center for Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Studies (CAMNES)

Summary

Archaeologist with more than 30 years of experience in excavations in Iraq, Syria, Turkey and Azerbaijan


Education and Training


- **Ph.D. in Ancient History, Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East**
Burial Customs in the Middle and Upper Khabur Region during the first half of the III millennium BC
Department of Antiquity - University of Florence, 2005
- **BA, MA Degree in Humanities, Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East**
Burial Customs at Tell Barri/Kahat during the Middle Bronze Age, in relation to the Syro-Mesopotamian Region
Department of Antiquity - University of Florence, 2000

Work Experience

- **Co-Director**, CAMNES, Firenze – ITALY
2010- at the current date
- **Supervisor**, Departments of Religious Studies - Lorenzo de' Medici (LdM) Italian International Institute, Firenze – ITALY
2010- at the current date
- **Adjunct Lecturer**, Institute for Prehistoric Archaeology of the Near East (PANE), Department of Archaeology and Museology, Masaryk University, Brno (Czech Republic)
2013-2018
- **Assistant curator**, National Archaeological Museum, Firenze
2006-2013
- **ARCANE PROJECT (Associated Regional Chronologies for the Ancient Near East and the Eastern Mediterranean), Topic Coordinator**, Burial Practices in the Groups of Jezirah (JZ) and Tigridian Regions (TG).
2003-2010
- **Research fellowship**, Department of Antiquity - University of Florence
1999-2010

Personal Info

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Excavations Activities

2025-

- **Co-Director, CAPIK** (CAMNES Archaeological Project in Iraqi-Kurdistan)
Ali-Mawlan, Quri Beg, Girdi Doghan - ERBIL
 CAMNES/ General Directorate of Antiquities and Heritage

2019- 2024

- **Field Director, GaRKAP** (Ganja Region Kurgan Archaeological Project)
Uzun Rama, Tava Tepe - AZERBAIJAN
 CAMNES/ Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography (ANAS)

References

M. Poulmarc'h, N. Laneri, B. Jalilov, **S. Valentini** et C. Pappalardo, "The mudbrick kurgans of the Kura-Araxes culture (3500-2500 BCE) in Azerbaijan", in É. Leal, A. Peinetti, B. Perello, Y. Tchérémissinoff, et J. Watez, éd. *La terre crue en contexte funéraire*. Aix-en-Provence: Presses universitaires de Provence, 2025, pp. 223-231.

N. Laneri, B. Jalilov, **S. Valentini**, V. Cardini, L. Huseynova, R. C. Mammana, A. Mendola, "A Ritualized Landscape in the Southern Caucasus: The Preliminary Results (2021-2023) of the Azerbaijani-Italian Archaeological Excavation at Tava Tepe (Western Azerbaijan)", in *Anatolica L* (2024), 67-100.

N. Laneri, B. Jalilov, Y. S. Erdal, **S. Valentini**, M. Poulmarc'h, G. Guarducci, L. Crescioli, R. Berthon, V. D'Amico, C. Pappalardo, S. Russo, L. Huseynova, "Reconstructing Funerary Sequences of Kurgans in the Southern Caucasus. The first two seasons of the Azerbaijani-Italian Ganja Region Kurgan Archaeological Region Project (GaRKAP) in western Azerbaijan", in *Anatolica XLVI* (2020), pp. 103-145.

N. Laneri, B. Jalilov, L. Crescioli, G. Guarducci, **S. Valentini**, M. Poulmarc'h, A. Ricci, J. Kneisel, "GaRKAP 2018: The first season of the Azero-Italian Ganja Region Kurgan Archaeological Project in Western Azerbaijan", in *ANES 56* (2019), pp. 135-162.

2005-2010

- **Field Director, Italian/American Archaeological Project**
Hirbermerdon Tepe, Diyarbakir - TURKEY
Istituto Italiano per l'Africa e l'Oriente (ISIAO) - Roma

References

N. Laneri, **S. Valentini**, M. Aquilano, M. Dallai and M. Massimino, "Chapter 4. Phase IIIB: The Middle Bronze Age", in N. Laneri (ed.) with contributions by M. Schwartz, J. Ur, S. Valentini, M. Aquilano, L. Biazzo, R. Brancato, L. Crescioli, M. Dallai, G. Guarducci, M. Massimino and S. Nannucci, *Hirbermerdon Tepe Archaeological Project 2003-2013 Final Report: Chronology and Material Culture*, BraDypUS: Bologna 2016, pp. 41-80.

N. Laneri - M. Schwartz - **S. Valentini**, "Hirbermerdon Tepe: A Middle Bronze Age Site in the Upper Tigris River Valley", in Nicola Laneri, Peter Pflanzner & **Stefano Valentini** (eds.), *Looking North: The Socioeconomic Dynamics of the Northern Mesopotamian and Anatolian Regions during the Late Third and Early Second Millennium BC (Proceedings of the Workshop organized at the 6th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Rome, 5-10 May 2008)*, Harrassowitz Verlag: Wiesbaden 2012, pp. 137-147.

2009-2010

- **Co-Director, Turkish Archaeological Project**
Kuriki, Batman - TURKEY
Department of Archaeology, Dumlupinar University

References

E. Genç, **S. Valentini**, A. D'Agostino, "Kuriki Höyük Archaeological Project 2010. A Preliminary Report Excavation Season", in 33. *Kazı Sonuçları Toplantısı, Malatya - 2.cilt, International Symposium of Excavations, Surveys and Archaeometry, Turgut Özal Kultur and Congress Centre, İnönü University, 23-28 May 2011, Malatya (Turkey)*, Ankara 2012, pp. 463-479.

E. Genç, **S. Valentini**, A. D'Agostino, "Kuriki Höyük 2009 Yılı Kazı Çalışması", in 32. *Kazı Sonuçları Toplantısı 1, İstanbul 2010, Lütfü Kırdar Kongre ve Kültür Sarayı, İstanbul 2011*: 142-153.

Excavations Activities

1993-2006

- **Field Director**, Italian Archaeological Project
Tell Barri, Hasseke, SYRIA

Università degli Studi di Firenze

References

S. Valentini, "Embodying Identity: Burial Practices in the Sacred Area of Tell Barri in the Early Jezirah 2-3a period", in *Caucasian Mountains and Mesopotamian Steppe on the Dawn of the Bronze Age, Festschrift in Honour of Rauf M. Munchaev's 90th Birthday*, Moscow: Russian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Archaeology 2019, pp. 370-393.

S. Valentini, "Communal places of worship: ritual activities and ritualised ideology during the Early Bronze Age Jezirah", in N. Laneri (ed.), *Defining the Sacred: Approaches to the Archaeology of Religion in the Near East*, Oxbow Books: Oxford&Philadelphia, 2015, pp.102-117.

S. Valentini, "Ninivite 5 Pottery from Tell Barri in Jezirah", in H. Kühne, R. M. Czichon, and F. J. Kreppner (eds.), *Proceedings of the 4th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (29 March-3 April 2004, Freie Universität Berlin), Volume 2: Social and Cultural Transformation: The Archaeology of Transitional Periods and Dark Ages. Excavations Reports*, Wiesbaden: Harrasowitz Verlag 2008, pp. 259-272.

S. Valentini, "La ceramica del III millennio dell'Area G di Tell Barri", in P. E. Pecorella (a cura di), *Tell Barri/Kahat. La campagna del 2002*, Firenze 2005, pp. 85-90.

S. Valentini, "Ritual Objects in the "rural shrines" at Tell Barri, in the Khabur region, during the Ninevite 5 period", in J. M. Córdoba, M. Molist, M. Carmen Pérez, I Rubio, S. Martínez (eds.), *Proceedings of the 5th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (Madrid, 3-8 Aprile 2006)*, Madrid: Centro Superior de Estudios sobre el Oriente Próximo y Egipto 2008, pp. 345-357.

2005-2010

- **Field Director**, Italian Archaeological Project
Hatra, Mosul, IRAQ

Università degli Studi di Torino

References

Peruzzetto, **S. Valentini**, "I sondaggi recenti nel Temenos di Hatra", in *TOPOI* 10/1 (2000), pp. 159-178.

Selected Publications

Books

V. d'Aquino, G. Guarducci, S. Nencetti, **S. Valentini** (a cura di), *Archeologia a Firenze. Città e territorio, Atti del Workshop. Firenze, 12-13 Aprile 2013*, Archeopress Archaeology: Oxford, 2015.

L. Bombardieri, A. D'Agostino, V. Orsi, G. Guarducci and **S. Valentini** (eds.), *SOMA 2012. Identity and Connectivity: Proceedings of the 16th Symposium on Mediterranean Archaeology, Florence, Italy, 1-3 March, 2012* (BAR International Series 2581, I-II), Archaeopress: Oxford 2013.

A. D'Agostino, C. Felli, **S. Valentini** (a cura di), *La collezione orientale del Museo Archeologico Nazionale di Firenze. Volume II. Anatolia, Siria, Mesopotamia, Iran*, ARACNE: Roma 2013.

N. Laneri, P. Pfalzner & **S. Valentini** (eds.), *Looking North: The Socioeconomic Dynamics of the Northern Mesopotamian and Anatolian Regions during the Late Third and Early Second Millennium BC (Proceedings of the Workshop organized at the 6th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Rome, 5-10 May 2008)*, Harrassowitz Verlag: Wiesbaden 2012.

Articles

S. Valentini, "Burials and funerary practices" in E. Roava (ed.), *Associated Regional Chronologies for the Ancient Near East and the Eastern Mediterranean. Tigridian Region*, Turnhout: Brepols 2019, pp. 267-282.

Karel Nováček, **Stefano Valentini**, Petr Šída and Narmen Ali Muhamad Amen, "The Hinterland of the Arbīl City: A Survey of Tell Baxçan, Iraqī Kurdistan", in Vincent Déroche, Maria Grazia Masetti-Rouault and Christophe Nicolle (eds.), *Études Mésopotamiennes – Mesopotamian Studies* (N°1 – 2018), Oxford: Archeopress, 2018, pp. 188-211.

Stefano Valentini, "Vaulted hypogea during the Middle Bronze Age: a perfect example of the intra-muros multiple tomb in Mesopotamia", in Candida Felli (ed.), *How to Cope with Death: Mourning and Funerary Practices in the Ancient Near East*, Pisa: Edizioni ETS, 2016, pp. 217-240.

S. Valentini, "Snakes on pottery", in A. Peruzzetto, F. Dorna Metzger, L. Dirven (eds.), *Animals, Gods and Men from East to West. Papers on archaeology and history in honour of Roberta Venco Ricciardi*, (BAR International Series 2516), Archaeopress: Oxford 2013, pp. 1-11.

S. Valentini, "Burials and funerary practices" in M. Lebeau (ed.) with contributions by A. Bianchi, K. Franke, A. P. McCarthy, J.-W. Meyer, P. Pfälzner, A. Pruß, Ph. Quenet, L. Ristvet, E. Roava, J. Thomalsky, S. Valentini & W. Sallaberger, *Associated Regional Chronologies for the Ancient Near East and the Eastern Mediterranean. Jezirah*, Turnhout: Brepols 2011, pp. 261-275.

S. Valentini, "The Jezirah Burnished Ware", in *Antiguo Oriente*, Volumen 6 (2008), pp. 25-38.

FELLOWSHIPS, RESEARCH ACTIVITIES, CONTRACTS

- 2010 - at the current date **Co-director**
Center for Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Studies (CAMNES)
 Via del Giglio, 15, 50123 - Firenze
www.camnes.org
- 2010 - at the current date **Supervisor of the Departments of Ancient Studies (ANC) and Religious Studies (REL) at Lorenzo de' Medici Italian International Institute (Florence, ITALY)**
Lorenzo d' Medici International Institute
 Via Faenza 43, 50123 - Firenze
www.ldminstitute.com
- 2013 – 2018 **Adjunct Lecturer PAPVB_30: Archaeology and Religion (in English)**
Institute for Prehistoric Archaeology of the Near East (PANE), Department of Archaeology and Museology, Masaryk University, Brno (Czech Republic)
www.phil.muni.cz/waop/home/lide/seznam-en
- 2006 - 2013 **Assistant curator**
Museo Archeologico Nazionale, Firenze
 Assistant curator for the Mesopotamian and Anatolian Collections (seals, figurines, pottery and metal objects).
- 2003 - 2010 **Topic Coordinator**
Associated Regional Chronologies for the Ancient Near East and the Eastern Mediterranean (ARCANE PROJECT). Project of European Centre for Upper Mesopotamia Studies funded by the European Science Foundation.
 Topic coordinator for the Burial Practices in the Groups of Jezirah and Tigridian Regions. In charge of the inventories of Tell Bari in the Regional Group of Jezirah.
<http://www.arcane.uni-tuebingen.de>
- 2010 **Research fellowship (Assegno di Ricerca)**
 Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.
 One year contract: *Aree sacre e luoghi di culto nella Jezirah durante il Bronzo Antico* (Sacred Areas and Cultic Places in Jezirah, during the Early Bronze Age).
- 2008 **Research fellowship (Assegno di Ricerca)**
 Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.
 One year contract: *Aree sacre e luoghi di culto nella Jezirah durante il Bronzo Antico* (Sacred Areas and Cultic Places in Jezirah, during the Early Bronze Age).
- 2006 **Research fellowship (Assegno di Ricerca)**
 Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.
 One year contract: *La trasformazione socio-economica e culturale dell'insediamento di Tell Bari (Siria), nell'Alto Khabur durante il Bronzo Antico* (The Socio-Economic and Cultural Evolution of the Tell Bari Settlement, in the Upper Khabur Region, during the Early Bronze Age).
- 2002 **Research fellowship (Assegno di Ricerca)**
 Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.
 One year contract: *Ricerche archeologiche a Tell Bari e nella Siria nord orientale* (Archaeological Researches at Tell Bari in north-eastern Syria). Analytical and typological study of the pottery excavated in the G and B Areas at Tell Bari dated back to the Early Dynastic I-III (Early Bronze Age I-III).

- 2002 **Research fellowship (Project for young researchers)**
 Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.
1933, Kakzu (Iraq): il primo scavo archeologico italiano in Mesopotamia. Progetto di informatizzazione e digitalizzazione dei dati relativi ai materiali scavati e conservati nei Musei di Firenze e Baghdad (Kakzu (Iraq) (The first Italian Archaeological Excavation in Mesopotamia. Project of computerization and digitalization of the data regarding the materials excavated and stored in the Museums of Florence and Baghdad).
- 2001 **Research fellowship (Assegno di Ricerca)**
 Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.
 One year contract: *Ricerche archeologiche a Tell Bari e nella Siria nord orientale (Archaeological Research at Tell Bari in north-eastern Syria)*. Analytical and typological study of the pottery excavated in the G Area at Tell Bari dated back to the Accadian, post-Accadian/Ur III and Isin-Larsa (Early Bronze Age IV – Middle Bronze Age I) periods.
- 1999 **Research fellowship (Project for young researchers)**
 Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.
Ricerche sulla produzione ceramica del sito di Tell Bari (Siria) (Research on the pottery production in the site of Tell Bari (Syria).

EXCAVATION ACTIVITIES

- 2025-at the current date **CAPIK: CAMNES Archaeological Project in Iraqi-Kurdistan)**
 Ali-Mawlan, Quri Beg, Girdi Doghan - ERBIL
 CAMNES/ General Directorate of Antiquities and Heritage
 Co-Director of the project.
- 2019 - 2024 **GaRKAP: Ganja Region Kurgan Archaeological Project. The Azero-Italian joint Archaeological Project in Western Azerbaijan. CAMNES - Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography (ANAS)**
 Directors: Prof. Nicola Laneri (CAMNES, Florence), Dr. Bakhtiyar Jalilov (ANAS).
 Field Director: Kurgan 8 (Uzun Rama), Tava Tepe.
- 2005-2010 **Italian/American Archaeological Project at Hirbermerdon Tepe (Diyarbakir, Turkey)**
 Director: Dr. Nicola Laneri (IsIAO, Roma); Co-Director Dr. Mark Schwartz (Department of Anthropology, Grand Valley State University Allendale, MI)
 Field director: Area A (High Mound): Iron Age and Middle Bronze Age I-II periods. Area B (Lower Town): Iron Age, Middle Bronze Age I-II and Chalcolithic periods. Area C (High Mound): Iron Age. Area D (Early Bronze Age).
- 2009-2010 **Turkish Archaeological Project at Kuriki (Batman, Turkey)**
 Director: Assis. Prof. Elif Genç (Department of Archaeology, Dumlupinar University - Kutahya, Turkey
 Field director: Areas A & B (Parthian and Chalcolithic periods)
- 1993-2006 **Italian Archaeological Project at Tell Bari (Syria)**
 Director Prof. P. E. Pecorella, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.
 Area Supervisor: Area H (Byzantine); Area E (Parthian); Area G.A-D 7-10 (Post-Assyrian); Trench Bs (Accadian and Early Dynastic III); Field J (Byzantine, Sasanian, Parthian, Ellenistic, Achemenian); Area B (Early Dynastic II); Area G.A-D 1-6): Mitannian, Old Babylonian; Isin-Larsa, Post-Accadian/Ur III, Accadian, Early Dynastic IIIa-b (Excavation of the Ninevite V Sacred Area).
- 1998-2000 **Italian Archaeological Project at Hatra (Iraq) – UNESCO Site**
 Director: Prof. R. Ricciardi Venco, Università di Torino

Field Director & Area Supervisor: Sounding Te 1, Te 4 and Te 24 inside the Temenos: Ellenistic and Parthian Periods.

1997 **Experimental Archaeology Project at Natural Park of Cavriglia (Arezzo-Italy)**

In collaboration with Cooperativa Archeologica "Archeoprogetti".

Supervisor: reconstruction of a Prehistoric village with students of secondary schools.

1997 **Excavations at Poggio la Croce - Radda in Chianti (Siena, Italy)**

In collaboration with Cooperativa Archeologica "Archeoprogetti".

Supervisor: reconstruction of a Prehistoric village with students of primary and secondary schools. Excavation of the Etruscan settlement, graphic and photographic documentation, inventory and classification of the archaeological materials dated back to the Neolithic and Bronze Age.

1997 **Excavations at Sesto Fiorentino (Firenze, Italy)**

Director: Prof. Lucia Sarti, Department of Prehistory – University of Siena

Archaeologist: Excavation, graphic and photographic documentation, inventory and classification of the archaeological materials dated back to the Neolithic and Bronze Age

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

Courses Taught

2013, 2016, 2018 *Archaeology and Religion* (MA COURSE - 25 h.)

Institute for Prehistoric Archaeology of the Near East (PANE), Department of Archaeology and Museology, Masaryk University, Brno (Czech Republic)

2014, 2012, 2010, 2006-2008 *Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East*

Scuola di Specializzazione in Beni Culturali, University of Florence

2011 (Spring semester) *Archaeology of Cult* (BA COURSE - 45 h.)

Lorenzo de' Medici International Institute, Florence

Teaching Contracts

2009-2011 *La documentazione archeologica negli scavi vicino-orientali* (Archaeological Documentation in the Near East Excavations).

Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.

Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. Stefania Mazzoni) [15 hours].

2008-2009 *L'uomo e la morte. Percorsi di analisi delle pratiche funerarie dalla Preistoria alla Classicità* (The man and the Death. Perspectives of Analysis of the Burial Practices from Prehistory to the Classical Period).

Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.

Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. Stefania Mazzoni) [25 hours].

2008 *Le antichità orientali del Museo del Louvre* (The Near Eastern Antiquities of the Louvre Museum).

Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.

Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. Stefania Mazzoni) [25 hours].

2007 *Tecniche dello scavo archeologico* (Techniques of Archaeological Excavation).

Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.

Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the

Ancient Near East (Prof. Stefania Mazzoni) [25 hours].

2003-2006 *La ceramica in archeologia* (Pottery in Archaeology).
 Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy, University of Florence.
 Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. Stefania Mazzoni) [25 hours].

2008, 2009, 2011 **External Classes**

Classes at the Museum of the Ancient Near East-Pergamon Museum, Berlin, for undergraduate students of the University of Florence (Spring 2011).

Classes in the Near Eastern section at the British Museum, London, for undergraduate students of the University of Florence (Spring 2009).

Classes in the Near Eastern section at the Louvre Museum, Paris, for undergraduate students of the University of Florence (Spring 2008).

2007-2012 **Joint Supervision of BA Thesis**

Le figurine in terracotta della collezione Mesopotamia del Museo Archeologico Nazionale di Firenze, with Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, candidate Iolanda Cacoza, University of Florence (2012).

Le tombe di Mari nel III millennio a.C., with Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, candidate Ismail Lamcja, University of Florence (2010).

Analisi della colonizzazione Uruk: gli spazi, i tempi, gli sviluppi, with Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, candidate Lorena Russo, University of Florence (2010).

Le antichità mesopotamiche e anatoliche del Museo Archeologico Nazionale di Firenze: le vicende e il percorso della formazione della collezione, with Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, candidate Claudia Marino, University of Florence (2010).

La statuaria del Tempio Quadrato di Abu a Eshnunna nel contesto sociale, storico ed artistico della Mesopotamia, with Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, candidate Beatrice Parretti, University of Florence (2008).

Gioielli e Società nei periodi di Isin-Larsa e Paleobabilonese, with Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, candidate Camilla Salaorni, University of Florence (2007).

2007-2012 **Joint Supervision of MA Thesis**

Necropoli e tombe nella Mesopotamia settentrionale durante il Bronzo Antico, with Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, candidate Giuseppe Mancuso, University of Florence (2012).

L'architettura funeraria in Siria e Mesopotamia tra il II e il I millennio a.C., with Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, candidate Federica Cusano, University of Florence (2010).

La glittica in Iran ai tempi della Prima Urbanizzazione, with Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, candidate Giulia Minieri, University of Florence (2009).

Le necropoli nell'Anatolia centrale tra III e II millennio: alcuni esempi, with Prof. Paolo Emilio Pecorella, candidate Marta Lorenzon, University of Florence (2004).

Le necropoli del Bronzo Antico dell'anatolia sudorientale, with Prof. Paolo Emilio Pecorella, candidate Paola Gallorini, University of Florence (2003).

**INVITED TALKS AND
 CONFERENCES**

2003-2019 **Invited Talks**

Lo scavo del Kurgan 8 di Uzun Rama. Un caso studio [Roma, 18/06/2019]. Invited by Prof.

Frances Pinnock and Prof. Davide Nadali, Sapienza, University of Rome.

Alla scoperta dei Kurgan del Caucaso Meridionale, Pane Conzato Seminar 2019 [Catania, 05/06/2019]. Invited by Prof. Nicola Laneri, University of Catania.

Morti per i Vivi, inside the VI Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: Archeologia della Morte: il culto dei defunti tra Mediterraneo e Vicino Oriente Antico, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, 30 March 2016).

Le grandi dinastie: dai Sumeri agli Accadi, inside the IV Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: La Mesopotamia e il Vicino Oriente Antico: Alle Radici della Cultura Occidentale, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, 19 March 2014).

Le culture ceramiche preistoriche del Vicino Oriente (Prehistory of the Ancient Near East) [Florence, 21/10/2009]. Invited by Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, Course of Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.

Approcci teorici nell'archeologia del Vicino Oriente Antico (Theoretical Approach in the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East) [Florence, 20/10/2009]. Invited by Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, Course of Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.

Il processo archeologico (The Archaeological Process) [Florence, 19/10/2009]. Invited by Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, Course of Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.

Il fenomeno della cultura Uruk (The Uruk Culture Phenomenon) [Florence, 3/11/2008]. Invited by Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, Course of Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.

La Mesopotamia settentrionale tra la fine del IV e l'inizio del III millennio a.C. (Crisis and regeneration. The Upper Mesopotamia between the end of the fourth and the beginning of the third millennium B.C.) [Florence, 26/1/2008]. Invited by Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, Course of Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.

Introduzione agli aspetti teorici dell'archeologia della morte (Introduction to the Theoretical Approaches to the Archaeology of Death) [Florence, 4/12/2005]. Invited by Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, Course of Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.

Le pratiche funerarie nella Mesopotamia settentrionale durante il Bronzo Medio: il caso di Tell Bari (Siria) (Funerary Practices in Upper Mesopotamia during the Middle Bronze Age: the case of Tell Bari (Syria)) [Florence, 20/11/2004]. Invited by Prof. Paolo Emilio Pecorella, Course of Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.

Le pratiche funerarie a Tell Bari (Siria) (Funerary Practices at Tell Bari (Syria)) [Florence, 4/12/2003]. Invited by Prof. Paolo Emilio Pecorella, Course of Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.

2003-2017 Invited Conferences

Il recupero dell'arte. Proteggere la cultura [Sala d'Arme, Palazzo Vecchio, Florence, 27/03/2017] Invited by the Municipality of Florence.

Performing Destruction: Cultural Heritage, Media and Terrorism [Brno, 18/04/2016] Invited by Prof. Inna Mateiciucová, Institute for Prehistoric Archaeology of the Near East (PANE), Department of Archaeology and Museology, Masaryk University, Brno (Czech Republic).

ISIS, patrimonio culturale e terrorismo mediatico [Montevarchi, 19/12/2015] Conference

with M. Iamoni, A. Polcaro, E. Pruno, A. Peruzzetto.

Medio Oriente in fiamme. Monumenti del Patrimonio culturale dell'umanità in pericolo [Sansepolcro, 21/11/2015] Conference with U. De Giovannangeli, D. Nadali and A. Peruzzetto.

Indagare il passato. Una conversazione tra l'archeologo, il detective e lo psichiatra [Florence, 18/10/2013]. Conference at CAMNES with A. Ballerini, M. Vichi and S. Sacco.

Methods of field research in the Ancient Near East sites [Brno, 23/03/2011]. Invited by Prof. Inna Mateiciucová, Institute for Prehistoric Archaeology of the Near East (PANE), Department of Archaeology and Museology, Masaryk University, Brno (Czech Republic).

Archaeology of Religion [Brno, 22/03/2011]. Invited by Prof. Inna Mateiciucová, Institute for Prehistoric Archaeology of the Near East (PANE), Department of Archaeology and Museology, Masaryk University, Brno (Czech Republic).

Exploring Tell, Hüyük and Tepe. Different methods of field research in the Ancient Near East sites [Brno, 22/04/2010]. Invited by Prof. Inna Mateiciucová, Institute for Prehistoric Archaeology of the Near East (PANE), Department of Archaeology and Museology, Masaryk University, Brno (Czech Republic).

Note su alcuni pezzi delle antichità mesopotamiche ed anatoliche del Museo Archeologico di Firenze [Florence, 21/02/2008]. Invited by Dr. Maria Cristina Guidotti, National Archaeological Museum of Florence.

Hirbemerdon Tepe Archaeological Project (2003-2006) [Florence, 31/3/2007]. Invited by Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, Course of Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.

Il periodo Ninevite 5 a Tell Bari ed in Giazira (The Ninevite V Period at Tell Bari in Jezirah) [Florence, 24/3/2007]. Invited by Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, Course of Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.

The Ninevite V Period at Tell Bari in Jezirah [Warsaw, 5/12/2006]. Invited by Prof. Piotr Bieliński, Institute of Archaeology, University of Warsaw.

Recenti sviluppi dell'archeologia funeraria nella Mesopotamia settentrionale (Recent Studies on the Funerary Archaeology of the Upper Mesopotamia) [Palermo, 19/05/2006]. Invited by Prof. Rita Dolce. Dipartimento di Archeologia, Università di Palermo.

L'alta valle del Tigri tra il Bronzo Antico e il Bronzo Medio. Risultati preliminari degli scavi a Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turchia) (The Upper Tigris Valley between the Early and the Middle Bronze Age. Preliminary Results of the Excavations at Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turkey) [Venice, 8/05/2006]. Invited by Prof. Elena Roa. Dipartimento di Archeologia, Università di Ca' Foscari - Venezia.

L'alta valle del Tigri tra il Bronzo Antico e il Bronzo Medio. Risultati preliminari degli scavi a Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turchia) (The Upper Tigris Valley between the Early and the Middle Bronze Age. Preliminary Results of the Excavations at Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turkey) [Rome, 28/04/2006]. Invited by Prof. Mirio Salvini. Istituto degli Studi micenei ed Egeo-Anatolici - Roma.

L'alta valle del Tigri tra il Bronzo Antico e il Bronzo Medio. Risultati preliminari degli scavi a Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turchia) (The Upper Tigris Valley between the Early and the Middle Bronze Age. Preliminary Results of the Excavations at Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turkey) [Florence, 23/11/2005]. Invited by Prof. Stefania Mazzoni, Course of Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.

Le pratiche funerarie in Giazira durante il III e II millennio a.C. (Burial Practices in Jezirah during the III and II millennium BC) [Turin, 10/03/2005]. Invited by Prof. Roberta Ricciardi

Venco, Dipartimento di Archeologia – University of Turin.

Tombe e rituali funerari in Mesopotamia: il caso di Tell Barri (Tombs and Funerary Rituals in Mesopotamia: the case of Tell Barri) [Naples, 18/10/2003]. Invited by Prof. Raffaella Pierobon Benoit, Dipartimento di Archeologia – University of Naples.

Per un approccio metodologico alle pratiche funerarie (Methodological Approach to Burial Practices) [Turin, 15/03/2003]. Invited by Prof. Paolo Fiorina, Scuola di Specializzazione in Archeologia – University of Turin.

ONLINE TALKS AND CONFERENCES

2020- Conferences

Digging a Kurgan. Technical and Methodological Approach to the excavation of the Kurgan 8 at Uzun Rama, by Stefano Valentini (corresponding), Bakhtyar Jallilov and Nicola Laneri. Inside South Caucasus Archaeology Series (ARWA, International Association for Archaeological Research in Western & Central Asia) – [19/01/2023] <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gngBtz0bVnk&t=57s>

Reconstructing Funerary Sequences of Kurgans in the Southern Caucasus. Inside *BuNEER* (Bulletin of Near Eastern Excavations & Research) – Issue n°1 [04/11/2020, <http://youtube.com/c/camnes>].

2020- Talks

An Interview with Dr. Edward Harris - Inventor of the Matrix. Video on CAMNEStudio YouTube Channel [19 May 2022]. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9X_u1MzBYj4

Prima l'uovo o la gallina? Inside the series of lectures: *Tutta un'altra storia* [24/11/2020, <http://youtube.com/c/camnes>].

Reuccio. Inside the series of lectures: *Pillole di archeologia* [05/05/2020, <http://youtube.com/c/camnes>].

Davide Nadali a colloquio con Stefano Valentini. Inside the series of lectures: *Vis-à-Vis: archeologi a colloquio* [30/04/2020, <http://youtube.com/c/camnes>].

Nicola Laneri a colloquio con Stefano Valentini. Inside the series of lectures: *Vis-à-Vis: archeologi a colloquio* [17/04/2020, <http://youtube.com/c/camnes>].

C'era una 'volta' in Mesopotamia. Inside the series of lectures: *Pillole di archeologia* [01/04/2020, <http://youtube.com/c/camnes>].

WORKSHOPS AND CONGRESSES

2007-2025 Workshops

14th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Lyon, 2-7 June 2025). Paper presented in the workshop Rethinking Rurality Taking a Non-Urban Perspective on the Archaeology of Villages. S. Valentini, *The Ninevite 5 Phenomenon. Facing Urbanization in North Mesopotamia: A View from the Countryside*.

The Syrian Jezirah in the 3rd millennium seen from the perspective of surveys (Paris, Institut national d'histoire de l'art, Galerie Colbert, November 25, 2022). Paper presented: Rummaging through the sherds. Remarks on the EJZ 2-3a pottery from Tell Barri.

International Campus, Preserving cultural heritage online edition (Rondine Cittadella della Pace, Italy, November 5 – December 4, 2020), Training session: The “Care” of the

Archaeological Heritage in the Middle East by CAMNES Center for Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Studies Florence, Italy. Lecture presented (November 26, 2020): New strategies of attack to Archaeological Heritage: Media Terrorism and Propaganda.

Food and drink in feasting (Food-Cluster, ToRS, Faculty of Humanities, University of Copenhagen, 28/29th February 2020). Paper presented: Sacer food in a place of worship.

TourismA, Salone Archeologia e Turismo Culturale, ITER, Archeologia Patrimonio e Ricerca italiana all'estero. A cura di Ettore Janulardo, Scuola di Specializzazione in Beni archeologici dell'Università di Firenze (Firenze, 22 February 2019). Paper presented: Alla scoperta dei Kurgan del Caucaso Meridionale.

Value Education for Culture, Peace and Human Development (Firenze, November 16, 2015). Paper presented: Performing Destruction: Cultural Heritage, Looting and ISIS.

Along the Northern Mesopotamian Frontier. The Upper Tigris and its surrounding regions during the early Bronze Age (3100-2000 BCE). Workshop organized by Nicola Laneri at the 20th Annual Meeting of the European Association of Archaeologists (Istanbul, 10-14 September 2014). Paper presented: Continuity and Discontinuity: Funerary Traditions in Jezirah and the Upper Tigris Valley during the 3rd Millennium BC.

How to Cope with Death. Mourning and Funerary Practices in the Ancient Near East (Firenze, Università di Firenze, Dipartimento SAGAS, 5-6 December 2013). Paper presented: Vaulted hypogea during the Old Babylonian period: a perfect example of intra-muros multiple tomb in Mesopotamia.

Università, Preparazione specialistica e Professionalità: Indagini Preventive e di emergenza (Centro di GeoTecnologie, Università di Siena, 28-30 November 2013). Paper presented: L'Italia dei Beni Culturali: formazione senza lavoro e lavoro senza formazione.

Defining the Sacred: Approaches to the Archaeology of Religion in the Near East. Workshop organized by Nicola Laneri at the 8th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Warsaw, 5-10 May 2008). Paper presented: The Jezirah communal places of worship. Ritual activities and social memory during the Early Bronze Age.

Il collezionismo di antichità vicino-orientali in Italia: un rapporto tra pubblico e privato (CNR - Roma, 6 Aprile 2011). Paper presented with S. Anastasio and M.-C. Guidotti: Le antichità mesopotamiche ed anatoliche del Museo Archeologico Nazionale di Firenze.

ARCANE PROJECT RG 08 Second Regional Meeting (Siena, 12th-14th June 2008). Presentation of the selected inventories for Tell Bari.

Looking North: The socioeconomic dynamics of the northern Mesopotamian and Anatolian regions during the late third and early second millennium BC. Workshop organized by Nicola Laneri (IsIAO) and Stefano Valentini (Università degli Studi di Firenze) at 6th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Rome, 5-10 May 2008). Papers presented: Introduction (with Nicola Laneri); An Overview of the Architecture in the Upper Tigris River Valley During the End of the Third and the First Half of the Second Millennia BC: A Comparative Analysis.

La fine del III millennio tra crisi e sviluppo...il dibattito continua. Workshop with the participation of C. Marro, S. Mazzoni, E. Rova, A. Catagnoti, C. Felli, A. D'Agostino, V. Orsi and M. Akar (Firenze, 14 March 2008). Paper presented: Tell Bari (Siria) ed Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turchia) tra la fine del III e l'inizio del II millennio a.C. (Tell Bari (Siria) and Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turkey) between the end of the 3rd and the beginning of the 2nd millennium B.C.).

ARCANE PROJECT RG 08 First Regional Meeting (Frankfurt am Main, February 23rd-25th 2007). Main Topic Report II: Burials and Funerary Practices.

ARCANE PROJECT RG 08 First Regional Meeting (Frankfurt am Main, February 23rd-25th 2007). Presentation of the sites in Syrian Jezirah III: Tell Bari.

2007-2025 Congresses

14th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Lyon, 2-7 June 2025). Paper presented: B. Jalilov, N. Laneri, S. Valentini, S. Russo, A. Mendola, L. Huseynova, R. Mammanna, *The GaRKAP project in Western Azerbaijan: a preliminary report on the fourth year of excavation (2024) at Tava Tepe (Agstafa district)*.

International Conference, Decolonising Cultural Heritage: state of the art, methodologies, and practices (University for Foreigners of Siena, May 5-6, 2025). Paper presented: Marta D'Andrea (Sapienza Università di Roma) – Stefano Valentini (CAMNES, Firenze) - On decolonising the academic discourse in archaeology: paradoxes, doubts and auspices.

13th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Copenhagen, 22-26 May 2023). Paper presented: Nicola Laneri, Bakhtiyar Jalilov, Stefano Valentini, Rachele Mammanna, Alice Mendola, *Communities on the move: a preliminary report of the archaeological work at Uzun Rama and Tava Tepe (western Azerbaijan)*.

Benchmarks of South Caucasian Antiquity. The International Research Conference (BSCA Tbilisi, 1-3 June 2022). Paper presented on-line with Nicola Laneri, Bakhtiyar Jalilov, Guido Guarducci, Lorenzo Crescioli, Chiara Pappalardo: GaRKAP: Ganja Region Kurgan Archaeological Project. The Azerbaijani-Italian joint Archaeological Project in Western Azerbaijan (2018–2019).

12th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Bologna, 6-9 April 2021). Paper presented with Erdal Yilmaz, Valentina D'Amico, Guido Guarducci, Lorenzo Crescioli, Nicola Laneri, Modwene Poulmarc'h, Bakhtiyar Jalilov: A preliminary report on a mid-late fourth millennium BC kurgan in western Azerbaijan.

5th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Madrid, 3-8 April 2006). Paper presented with N. Laneri and A. D'Agostino: Excavations at Hirbemerdon Tepe in the Upper Tigris Valley (Turkey). A bridge between Mesopotamia and Anatolian regions between the late 3rd and mid-2nd Millennium.

Festival Motumundi (Caviglia, Italy – October 15-18 2020). Motumundian Academy (16 Ottobre 2020). Lecture presented: Quanto è duro e rischioso coltivare la terra.

Third Art&Archaeology International Conference (Jerusalem, December 9-12, 2018). Paper presented with Carlo Francini (UNESCO Office, Florence): Heritage at War: From the Destruction to the Reconstruction of the Archaeological Heritage.

Archeologia Pubblica in Italia, 1° Congresso Nazionale (Firenze, Palazzo Vecchio – 29-30 Ottobre 2012). Paper presented with J. Bogdani, C. Bonacchi e G. Guarducci: Specialist in Archaeological Heritage Management: un nuovo progetto formativo.

Symposium of Archaeology of the Ilisu Dam (Mardin – Turkey, October 19th -22nd , 2011). Paper presented with M. Aquilano, Andirons and Portable Hearts in the Upper Tigris Valley.

33rd International Symposium of Excavations, Surveys and Archaeometry (Malatya – Turkey, 23-27 May 2011). Paper presented with E. Genç: Kuriki Höyük: 2010 Excavation Season.

Orientalia Antiqua Nova. Symposium (Plzen, Czech Republic 14-15 February 2008). Paper presented: The Hirbemerdon Tepe Archaeological Project: Four Seasons of Archaeological Work at a site in the Upper Tigris Valley (SE Turkey).

Cult and sanctuary through the ages (From the Bronze Age to the Late Antiquity). International Symposium (Castá-Papernicka, Slovakia 16-19 November 2007). Paper presented: Communal Places of Worship in Jezirah during the EJ II-IIIa period (2750-2550 BC).

5th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Madrid, 3-8 April 2006). Paper presented with N. Laneri and A. D'Agostino: Excavations at Hirbemerdon Tepe in the Upper Tigris Valley (Turkey). A bridge between Mesopotamia and Anatolian regions between the late 3rd and mid-2nd Millennium.

5th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Madrid, 3-8 April 2006). Paper presented: Some Ritual Objects from the III Millennium Rural Shrines of Tell Barri in Jezirah.

Transanatolia: bridging the gap between east and west in the archaeology of ancient Anatolia (British Museum - London, 29 Marzo-30 Aprile 2006). Poster presented with N. Laneri and A. D'Agostino: The Upper Tigris Valley in Southeastern Anatolia: a bridge between Mesopotamia and Anatolian Regions during the late 3rd and mid-2nd millennium BC. Excavations at Hirbemerdon Tepe.

Rencontres Doctorales Orient-Express 2006 (Maison de l'Orient et de la Méditerranée, Lyon 10 et 11 février 2006). Paper presented: Funerary Customs in the Khabur Region during the first half of the III millennium B.C.

Xth Annual Meeting of the European Association of Archaeologists (Lione, 8-10 Settembre 2004). Paper presented with E. Galli: The Death Cult in the Middle Bronze Age Mesopotamia. Interpretation of the Archaeological Evidence through the Cuneiform Text: a Trial Approach.

4th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Berlin, 29 March-3 April 2004). Paper presented: Ninivite 5 Pottery from Tell Barri in Jezirah.

Convegno nazionale degli studenti di archeologia (Napoli, Istituto Universitario Orientale, 23-25 maggio 2003). Paper presented: La tecnologia della volta impiegata a Tell Barri negli ipogei funerari del Bronzo Medio.

3th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Paris, 15-19 April 2002). Paper presented: Burial customs and funerary ideology in Tell Barri/Kahat during the Middle Bronze age, in relation to the Upper Mesopotamia.

2007-2024 Congresses, Workshops and Conference Organized

XI Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: Le Culture Siro-Palestinesi. Dalla Preistoria al Medioevo, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, December 2024-January 2025).

MATRIX 1973-2023, Seminar on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Archaeological Stratigraphy Diagram by Edward Harris (Florence, 30 October 2023).

Terra Etrusca. Tuscania Archaeological Project. Conference organized in collaboration with Università di Napoli Federico II (Tuscania, VT 22 July 2023).

Archeologia in Toscana. Ricerca - Tutela - Gestione - Valorizzazione. Workshop organized in collaboration with Università di Firenze, Università di Siena, Università di Pisa, Università per Stranieri di Siena (Florence, 7-9 June 2023).

Sasso Pinzuto. Risultati preliminari della prima campagna di scavo. Conference organized in collaboration with Università di Napoli Federico II (Tuscania, VT 25 July 2022).

ICAS 1. International Conference on the Archaeology of Symbols (Florence, 25-27 May 2022).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i2vyDAjqXHY&t=25s>

SACRED NATURE: Animism and Materiality in Ancient Religions. Online International Workshop (May 20-21, 2021). <https://camnes.it/sacred-nature-workshop>

IX Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: Rasenna II, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, March-May 2019).

Rethinking Osiris. International Conference (Florence, 26-27 March 2019). Organized in

collaboration with The American University of Cairo, Polo Museale della Toscana, Museo Archeologico di Firenze, Museo Egizio di Firenze.

Tutankhamon e la guerra. Uomini e armi alla fine della XVIII Dinastia. Conference of Alberto Maria Pollastrini organized by CAMNES in collaboration with the Association Amici del Museo Stibbert (Firenze, 13 Febbraio 2019).

ICHAJ14. International Conference on the History and Archaeology of Jordan (Florence 21-25 January 2019). Organized in collaboration with the Department of Antiquity of Jordan and University of Florence.

Antichi mondi sotterranei: Miniere, dei ed eroi in Grecia e a Roma. Conference organized by CAMNES in collaboration with the Municipality of Florence. (Le notti dell'archeologia, Museo MINE, Cavriglia, AR, July 26th 2018).

Syria 2018: from the destruction to the reconstruction of the Archaeological Heritage. Conference organized by CAMNES in collaboration with the Municipality of Florence. (Salone del Restauro, Florence, May 18th 2018).

Constructing Kurgans: burial mounds and funerary customs in the Caucasus, Northwestern Iran and Eastern Anatolia during the Bronze and Iron Age, International Workshop organized by CAMNES in collaboration with Archéorient, Université Lumière Lyon 2, CNRS (Florence, 29-30 March 2018).

VIII Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: Radici Barbariche: l'impatto culturale nella genesi dell'Europa moderna, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, March-May 2018).

Coena Mistica, Workshop organized by CAMNES and Municipality of Cavriglia (MINE - Museo delle Miniere e del Territorio, Castelnuovo dei Sabbioni, AR, 16 December 2017).

VII Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: I Greci in Italia. Colonie e coloni in Magna Grecia e Sicilia, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, February-March 2017).

CPAVO: Strategy-setting Conference of the Archaeologists of the Near East. Iraq and Syria. Archaeological Heritage Between Risks and Perspectives. Event organized by CAMNES in collaboration with the Municipality of Florence as part of the #Unite4Heritage campaign (Florence, Palagio dei Capitani di Parte Guelfa, 16-17 December 2016).

VI Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: Archeologia della Morte: il culto dei defunti tra Mediterraneo e Vicino Oriente Antico, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, March-June 2016).

I. Morfini, Prime stagioni e nuove scoperte nelle tombe inedite di Min (TT109-9 e Kampp-327 a Luxor, Conference at CAMNES (Florence, 21 December 2015).

ICE 11. International Congress of Egyptologists XI (Florence 23-30 August 2015). Organized in collaboration with the Museo Egizio di Firenze and University of Florence.

Medio Oriente in fiamme, le radici dei conflitti, tra cultura e archeologia. Presentazione del libro di U. De Giovannangeli, with D. Nadali and D. Morandi (Arezzo, 22 May 2015).

V Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: Capire la Preistoria: ai Primordi Evolutivi e Culturali dell'Uomo, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, March-May 2015).

D. Morandi Bonacossi, Acqua per Ninive, acqua per l'Assiria. Nuove ricerche archeologiche italiane nel cuore dell'Impero Neo-Assiro, Conference at CAMNES (Florence, 27 March 2015).

Dall'Antico Egitto a Firenze: Il Tempo e le Misure dell'Arte 1914-2014. Nel Centenario di un restauro toscano, Fabrizio Lucarini e le pitture dell'antico Egitto, Workshop organized by CAMNES in collaboration with Ministero dei Beni e delle Attività Culturali e del Turismo and Opificio delle Pietre Dure (Florence, 3-4 December 2014).

N. Marchetti, Karkemish. Recenti scoperte in una antica capitale sull'Eufrate.

Conference at CAMNES (Florence, 6 November 2014).

IV Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: La Mesopotamia e il Vicino Oriente Antico: Alle Radici della Cultura Occidentale, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, March-May 2014).

M. Franci, *Agatha Christie e l'Archeologia*, Conference at CAMNES (Florence, 20 December 2013).

P. Pfälzner with the participation of G. Baccelli and F. Leprai, *Qatna Archaeological Project Highlights*. Conference at CAMNES (Florence, 18 October 2013).

Etruria in Progress. La ricerca archeologica in Etruria Meridionale, 19-20 Giugno 2013, Congress organized in collaboration with the Soprintendenza Etruria Meridionale (Rome, 19-20 June 2013).

Archeologia a Firenze. Città e territorio. Workshop (Florence, 12-13 April 2013).

G. Buccellati and M. Kelly-Buccelati, *Tell Mozan / Urkesh (Syria) A Modern Face for an Ancient City*. Conference at CAMNES (Florence, 3 December 2012).

III Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: Firenze Antica ed il suo territorio, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, October-December 2012).

16th SOMA – Symposium on Mediterranean Archaeology (Florence, 1-3 March 2012).

Programmare e costruire il futuro della ricerca, Tavola rotonda sul Paleolitico Medio d'Italia (Florence, 9-10 February 2012).

L. Ackerman, *From Babylon to Bauhaus*. Conference at CAMNES (Florence, 22 November 2011).

II Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: KEMET: Capire l'antico Egitto, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, October-December 2011).

IV Convegno Nazionale dei Giovani Archeologi (Tuscania, VT, 12-15 Maggio 2011).

I Ciclo di Lezioni di Archeologia: Rasenna: Capire gli Etruschi, Series of Lectures at CAMNES (Florence, March-May 2011).

Looking North: The socioeconomic dynamics of the northern Mesopotamian and Anatolian regions during the late third and early second millennium BC. Workshop organized with Nicola Laneri (IsIAO) at 6th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (ICAANE Rome, 5-10 May 2008).

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V. d'Aquino, G. Guarducci, S. Nencetti, S. Valentini (a cura di), *Archeologia a Firenze. Città e territorio, Atti del Workshop. Firenze, 12-13 Aprile 2013*, Archeopress Archaeology: Oxford, 2015.

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L. Bombardieri, A. D'Agostino, V. Orsi, G. Guarducci and S. Valentini (eds.), *SOMA 2012. Identity and Connectivity: Proceedings of the 16th Symposium on Mediterranean Archaeology, Florence, Italy, 1-3 March, 2012* (BAR International Series 2581, I-II), Archaeopress: Oxford 2013.

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S. Valentini, "Burials and funerary practices" in E. Rova (ed.), *Associated Regional Chronologies for the Ancient Near East and the Eastern Mediterranean. Tigridian Region*, Turnhout: Brepols 2019, pp. 267-282.

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Stefano Valentini, "Vaulted hypogea during the Middle Bronze Age: a perfect example of the intra-muros multiple tomb in Mesopotamia", in Candida Felli (ed.), *How to Cope with Death: Mourning and Funerary Practices in the Ancient Near East*, Pisa: Edizioni ETS, 2016, pp. 217-240.

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N. Laneri, S. Valentini, M. Aquilano, M. Dallai and M. Massimino, "Chapter 4. Phase IIIb: The Middle Bronze Age", in N. Laneri (ed.) with contributions by M. Schwartz, J. Ur, S. Valentini, M. Aquilano, L. Biazzo, R. Brancato, L. Crescioli, M. Dallai, G. Guarducci, M. Massimino and S. Nannucci, *Hirbemerdon Tepe Archaeological Project 2003-2013 Final Report: Chronology and Material Culture*, BraDypUS: Bologna 2016, pp. 41-80.

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