

Isabela Leao

PhD. Candidate in Political Studies – XXII Cycle

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Alberto Martinelli / Co-Supervisor: Dr. Giovanni Carbone

EDUCATION

University of Milan – Graduate School in Social, Economic and Political Sciences, Italy

PhD. in Political Studies (Oct. 2006 to Present)

Pittsburg State University, USA

M.A. in History, Minor in Transnational Crime (Jan. 2004 to May 2006)

Minas Gerais State University, Belo Horizonte/Brazil

B.A. in Arts, Minor in History of Art (Feb. 2000 to Dec. 2003)

University of Salamanca, Spain

B.A. Exchange Programme (Sept. 2002 to March 2003)

Pittsburg State University, USA

B.A. Exchange Programme (July 2001 to July 2002)

Pontifical Catholic University (PUC-MG), Belo Horizonte/Brazil

B.A. Courses in Architecture and Urbanism (Feb. 2000 to July 2000)

KNOWLEDGE OF LANGUAGES

Scale of 1 to 5 (Excellent – 1; Basic – 5)

Mother tongue: **Portuguese**

	Read	Write	Speak	Understand
English	1	1	1	1
Spanish	1	1	1	1
French	2	5	5	3
Italian	1	2	1	1

EMPLOYMENT

United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI) Junior Fellow	Oct. 2007 – Present Turin, Italy
Pittsburg State University College of Education – Dept. of Special Services and Leadership Studies Graduate Teaching Assistant	Aug. 2004 – Dec. 2005 Pittsburg, USA

INTERNSHIP

TAMPEP Transnational AIDS/STD Prevention among Migrant Prostitutes in Europe/Project	June 2005 – Aug. 2005 Turin, Italy
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PRO BONO

Family Resource Center Volunteer – Instructor of English as a Second Language (ESL) Course	June 2004 – May 2005 Pittsburg, USA
Spanish Red Cross Volunteer – Youth Department	Oct. 2002 – Feb. 2003 Salamanca, Spain
MG Rehabilitation Center Volunteer – João Moreira Salles Rehabilitation School	March 2000 – Dec. 2000 Belo Horizonte, Brazil

PUBLICATIONS

Leao, Isabela and Mauricio C. Serafim. “An Italian Perspective to Entrepreneurship: an Interview to Sociologist Alberto Martinelli,” Fundação Getúlio Vargas – Business Administration School (FGV-EAESP). RAE-electronic, v.6, n.2, Art.17, Jul/Dec.2007.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Exchange Programme – University Delegation, South Korea	May 2005
Exchange Programme – University of Salamanca, Spain	Sept.2002 – March 2003
Exchange Programme – Pittsburg State University, USA	July 2001 – July 2002

AWARDS

Excellence of Research – History Department/College of Arts and Sciences, 2005 Graduate Students Awards, Pittsburg State University – USA.

GRANTS AND ASSISTANSHIPS

Grants

Doctoral Research Grant, University of Milan, Italy / European Social Fund, European Union / Region of Lombardy, Italy / 2007-2009.

Travel Grant, Study Abroad Committee – International Programs and Services, Pittsburg State University, USA, 2005.

Research Grant, Business and International Education Program (BIE), Department of Management and Marketing, Pittsburg State University, USA, 2005.

Research Grant, Midwest Quarterly Journal, History and English Department, Pittsburg State University, USA, 2005.

Travel Grant, Business and International Education Program (BIE), Department of Management and Marketing, Pittsburg State University, USA, 2005.

Assistantships

Graduate Teaching Assistantship, Department of Special Services and Leadership Studies, College of Education, Pittsburg State University, Aug. 2004 to Dec.2005.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS IN CONFERENCES

The Second Annual Nordic NIAS Council (NNC), Int. Conference Höör, Sweden, Nov.6-9, 2007
Theme: “Culture and the Configuring of Security. Using Asian Perspectives to Inform Theoretical Direction”
Paper: “Security Challenges: The Case of East Timor”

Mid-America Alliance for African Studies Conference – Missouri State University
MAAAS, Springfield/MO, USA, Sept.30 – Oct.1, 2005.
Theme: “Memory and Identity: African Cultures in the Face of Globalization”
Paper: “From Africa to Europe: Migration and Human Trafficking in the Twenty-First Century.”

Mid-America Conference on History – University of Kansas, Lawrence/KS, USA, Sept.22 – 24, 2005
Panel: “The Perils and Promises of a World System”
Paper: “From Africa to Europe: Migration and Human Trafficking in the Twenty-First Century.”

OTHER ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

**International Training Centre
of the International Labour Organization (ITC-ILO)**

'Inter-Agency Conference on Local Economic Development (LED)'

October, 2008
Turin, Italy

**Swedish National Defence College (SNDC) and
Folke Bernadotte Academy**

'Senior/Middle Management Course on DDR Programmes'

September, 2008
Stockholm, Sweden

**International Training Centre
of the International Labour Organization (ITC-ILO)**

'Microfinance in Conflict Areas'

August, 2008
Turin, Italy

ASERI – Catholic University of the Sacred Heart

The Leading Scholars' Program 2007

Fall, 2007
Milan, Italy

"The Sand and the Hourglass: the Pursuit of Order in the Middle East between Frail Bases and Narrow Times"

Cox, Michael E. (London School of Economics). "War of Choice? Or why did Bush and Blair 'really' go to War against Saddam Hussein."

Mastanduno, Michael (Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire). "Dealing with Iran: Can Economic Sanctions Be Effective?"

Aslan, Reza (University of Iowa). "Politics and Faith. The Implications of Religious Values on Middle East Political Situation."

Evangelista, Matthew A. (Cornell University, Ithaca, NY). "Security and Human Rights in the US War on Terror."

WORKING PAPERS

"Security Challenges: The Case of Timor Leste." Working Paper presented at the Second Annual Nordic NIAS Council International Conference – Höör, Sweden, Nov.2006.

"Trafficking in Women for the Purpose of Forced Prostitution: Italy's Article 18. Its Positive Effects on Victims and Its Role as a Model for Other European Union Countries," Pittsburg State University, April 2006.

"Islamic Fundamentalism and Euro-Islam: Muslim Presence in Western Europe," Working Paper for the Graduate Seminar in Radical Islam, Pittsburg State University, Spring 2005.

"From Africa to Europe: Migration and Human Trafficking in the Twenty-First Century." Working Paper presented at the Mid-America Alliance for African Studies Conference – Missouri State University (MAAAS), Sept. 2005; and at the Mid-America Conference on History – University of Kansas, Sept.2005.