

# Preventive conservation in museums, libraries and archives: scientific collections as a case study

Palermo, Palazzo Chiaramonte Steri  
16-18 October 2019

## PROGRAMME

### Wed, 16 October

9.00 *Registration*

9.30-11.00 *Welcoming addresses*

Prof. Fabrizio Micari, Rector, University of Palermo

Dr. Fabrizio Bocchino, Director, INAF-Palermo  
Astronomical Observatory

Prof. Stefana Milioto, Director, Dept. of  
Physics and Chemistry, University of Palermo

Prof. Paolo Inglese, Director, Sistema Museale  
di Ateneo (SIMuA), University of Palermo

Dr. Antonella Gasperini, in charge of INAF  
Service for Libraries, Museum and  
Third Mission, INAF-Arcetri  
Astrophysical Observatory

Arch. Lina Bellanca, Superintendent,  
Soprintendenza Beni Culturali ed Ambientali di  
Palermo

Dr. Eleonora Della Valle, Director,  
Soprintendenza Archivistica della  
Sicilia-Archivio di Stato di Palermo

11.00 - *Coffee break*

■ *Session I (in English): Introduction to preventive  
conservation. The contribution of science  
(Chair: Melania Zanetti)*

**11.30 - Dario Camuffo** (CNR - ISAC, Padua) - Climate effects on museum collections

**12.00 - Poul Klenz Larsen** (National Museum of Denmark, Copenhagen) - The microclimate of historic buildings and its stabilization

**12.30 - Maria Carla Sclocchi** (Istituto Centrale Restauro e Conservazione Patrimonio Archivistico e Librario - ICPAL, Rome) - Imbalances of the microclimate and opportunistic guests: a peculiar mould is established in the libraries

*13.00 - Lunch (not provided)*

**14.30 - Oscar Chiantore** (Dept. of Chemistry, University of Turin) - Monitoring and sampling methods of volatile organic compounds in museum showcases

**15.00 - Christian Degrigny** (Haute Ecole Arc Conservation-restauration, Neuchâtel) - Metal artefacts in scientific collections: corrosion, protection and conservation

**15.30 - Caroline De Stefani** (London Metropolitan Archives, London) - Displaying of archival documents: the trade-off between accessibility and risk mitigation

*16.00 Coffee break*

**16.30 - Melania Zanetti** (AICRAB, Università Ca' Foscari, Venice) - Preserving our cultural heritage: activities and interventions

**17.00 - Rosa C. Ponterio** (CNR Messina) - Tailored nano-materials in diagnostics of cultural heritage

**17.30 - M. Luisa Saladino** (Dept. STEBICEF, University of Palermo) - Preventive conservation of stone by using nanostructured materials

*20.00 - Dinner*

## Thu, 17 October

■ **Session II (in Italian): Preventive conservation in Italy: scientific collections as a case study**  
(Chair: Aurelio Agliolo Gallitto)

**9.00** - **Paolo Brenni** (CNR, Fondazione Scienza e Tecnica, Florence) - An overview on conservation problems in Italy

**9.30** - **Giorgio Strano** (Museo Galileo, Florence) - Preventive conservation strategies at Museo Galileo

**10.00** - **Laura Ronzon** (Museo Nazionale della Scienza e della Tecnologia "Leonardo da Vinci", Milan) - Collection management at the Leonardo da Vinci National Science and Technology Museum. A critical assessment

**10.30** - **Anna Giatti** (Fondazione Scienza e Tecnica, Florence) - APACHE: a European project for preventive conservation

*11.00 Coffee break*

**11.30** Discussion on sessions I-II (chair: *Paolo Brenni*)

*13.00 Lunch (not provided)*

■ **Session III (in Italian): Preventive conservation of scientific collections: some attempts in Sicily**  
(Chair: Rosa C. Ponterio)

**14.30** - **Aurelio Agliolo Gallitto** (Dept. of Physics and Chemistry, University of Palermo) - Comparative study of 19th-century woods in the Historical Physics Collections at the University of Palermo by thermogravimetry coupled with FTIR spectroscopy

**15.00** - **Marco Di Bella, Giada Genua** (freelance book conservators) - Collection care at the Historical

Library and Archive of the Palermo Astronomical Observatory: start and developments

**15.30 - Giuseppe Lazzara** (Dept. of Physics and Chemistry, University of Palermo) - Nano-clays for paper protection

*16.00 Coffee break*

16.30-17.30 Discussion on session III (*chair: Ileana Chinnici*)

17.30-18.00 POSTER discussion

## **Fri 18 October**

Location: Astronomical Observatory of Palermo

9.00 - Entry group I (meeting point at the entrance of the Royal Palace, Piazza del Parlamento 1)

9.30 - **Maria Rosalia Carotenuto** (INAF-OAPa) - *A preventive conservation project for the Specola Museum, INAF-SiMuA\_UniPa* (including visit)

10.30 - *Coffee break group I*

11.00 - *Exit group I*

11.00 - Entry group II (meeting point at the entrance of the Royal Palace, Piazza del Parlamento 1)

11.30-12.00 *Coffee break group II*

12.00 - **Maria Rosalia Carotenuto** (INAF-OAPa) - *A preventive conservation project for the Specola Museum, INAF-SiMuA\_UniPa* (including visit)

13.00 - Exit group II and end of workshop

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