



# Identity and Pluralism across Organizational Studies and Practices Palermo, 7th-8th february



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# PRESENTATION

Organization theory is a vast domain in research and practice where different elements interact, originating a unique setting for multidisciplinarity. Organizations are convenient microcosms where we can observe economic, social, political, and technological dynamics unfold and interact.

As scholars and artists alike have noted in the past, organizations are the fabrics of social life; according to Chester Barnard, the very way in which our species progresses in its evolution. As organization theorists affiliated with ASSIOA, we have grown into a vast community of ideas and approaches to reflect the multiplicity of interests, issues, and dilemmas to be explored within and across organizations.

Our journey toward ever greater richness is continuing and our WOA is a recurring landing point to share what puzzles us and recognize the existence of a community of interests and practices which is lively and supportive. Our conference is a chance to know what others are working on, to develop new ideas and create commitments in order to promote new research together.

Alongside these elements common to any conference, our WOA is an occasion to reflect on what we share, our identity as scholars and reinforce it by being aware of where we come from and where we are heading.

The twentieth WOA will engage scholars in a conversation on the interplay between identity and pluralism at a time when many changes are challenging what we know. Technology is reshaping the meaning of division of work and coordination, and even the borders of what is human in and around organizations, anticipating the emergence of robots and machine-based agents. Global socio-demographic processes are leading to massive migration processes and changes in the focus of economic processes. Societal values are changing the habits and patterns of consumption and the use of resources. Many other challenges are waiting for us to consider them in our theorizing and researching.

The next WOA will explicitly invite each of us to reflect on identity and pluralism both across our paper tracks and in selected panels where we will discuss what lies ahead of us in the light of where we have come from.

### What is identity

Identity is a dynamic concept at the intersection between what's inside and what's outside, defining the differences across that border. All identity building processes unfold sharing this characteristic; be it the evolution of any human being, the professional development or the evolution of a community identity like the one shared by all among us and founded on an event: the 1982 national congress of the Accademia Italiana di Economia Aziendale in Taormina.

The identity of organizational scholars is multifaceted, because it inherits much from many pre-existing fields of science. Originated in the application to practitioners' issues and challenges organization theories have struggled to improve their scientific status, at times sacrificing the ability to have a practical impact on society.

At this time of rapid and unprecedented social, political and economic shifts, we believe that researchers have the obligation to consider how to strengthen the balance between rigor and relevance to fully take part in the changes which are occurring according to a socially responsible view of scholarship. Such a view requires to leverage rigor to address important issues, which may lie also at the border between our traditional domain and novel and even more diverse streams of research.

On this basis, we ask everybody to engage in a reflexive conversation across the traditional areas of our annual meeting:

- organizational models,
- people,
- processes,

in order to collectively define where we stand in relationship to the great challenges of our times, and how we plan to interact within our identity and across its boundaries embracing a fruitful and responsible role in our universities, local communities and national settings.

# Identity, pluralism and the never ending question of means and ends

As researchers and teams of research, we are the product of an inimitable journey affected by our encounters and the context where they have taken place, originating the unbelievable variety we share when we meet in our yearly conference.

Our research stems from this unique background to address specific questions, but this background influences how we define our goals and how we plan to pursue them in terms of methodology and utmost finality.

In the unfolding of our previous experience with our present interests, we are constantly dealing with the paradoxical question of how means and ends should be seen to interact. Should we continue to believe we can keep them separated? Or should we realize they are not and therefore we are playing a greater role than we perceive? Finally, should we consider that we are path dependent and what we research is bounded to our background?

The WOA in Palermo sets the stage for a collective reflection on three corners of this multiple dilemma:

- What are the (legitimate) sources of organizational knowledge?
- How are research conversations socially constructed and how are they influenced by different context (global, European, local)?
- What is a (legitimate) research agenda in organization theory and when is it trespassing into different domains?

In order to transfer the issues at stake, the sources require us to investigate the relationship between organization theories and other neighboring domains, among which for example, Organizational Sociology, Industrial Organization, Economia aziendale, Work and Organizational Psychology, or even apparently secluded domains like Neurosciences, Al, Biotech, etc.

As for the research conversations, we have moved from being a mostly national community in the early nineties to a globally well-connected community. In this process, we have somewhat neglected our role in local communities, and it is probably time to reconcile the se two relevant aspects of who we are, bringing to the global attention issues which are connected to our local sensibility and creativity. As for the research agenda we need to redefine how we set the boundaries between organizational theory and other domains, not to exclude, but to make any inclusion meaningful. We need to decide for example whether any research taking place in organizations is part of our domain or not. In the wake of an unprecedented technological shift this requires also to consider the role of technology, in the form of Al and RPA.

Our WOA in Palermo literally embodies these changes in a city which is both strong in its identity and plural in its historically becoming, having been one of the first melting pots of the Mediterranean sea. Once again we expect that Palermo can be the cradle for a creative dialectic between identity and pluralism, but we need to be conscious actors of this process dedicating time and effort to prepare ourselves for this event.

# THURSDAY FEBRUARY 7

## **BUILDING 13** Dipartimento di Scienze Economiche Aziendali e Statistiche Main Hall (Aula Magna Vincenzo Li Donni)

11:00 – 2:00 pm	Registration
2:00 – 2:30 pm	Welcome to WOA 2019 Rector Fabrizio Micari Deputy Rector Fabio Mazzola Department Director of Economics, Business and Statistics Elio Mineo Deputy Department Director of Economics, Business and Statistics Arabella Mocciaro Li Destri Coordinator of the Business Administration Degree Marcantonio Ruisi Associazione Italiana Direzione del Personale (AIDP) - Sezione Sicilia President Ing. Massimo Plescia ASSIOA President Marcello Martinez Conference Chair Raimondo Ingrassia
2:30 – 3:20 pm	<ul> <li>Keynote speech</li> <li>The issue of identity and some of the reasons it has assumed a critical importance in our times</li> <li>Yiannis Gabriel emeritus professor, University of Bath</li> <li>Introduced by Teresina Torre ASSIOA Vice-president</li> </ul>
3:20 – 3:45 pm	Coffee break

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3:45 – 5:15 pm **PARALLEL SESSIONS** 

Aula Anfiteatro 1 3:45 – 5:15 pm Public Administration Chairman: Maurizio Decastri

The emergence of accountability entrepreneurship in an arm's length public organization: an exemplary case Walter Castelnovo and Maddalena Sorrentino

Public/private collaboration and multiplicity in the identity-mission nexus: the BikeMi case Maddalena Sorrentino, Giancarlo Manzi and Francesco Virili

Ambidextrous identity in public management. The case of Apulia Region Pamela Palmi, Angelo Corallo, Antonio Caforio and Angelo Scialpi

Reforming public employment for change following a law-driven view Mauro Romanelli and Eufrasia Sena

Political discontinuity and perceptions of uncertainty: implications for Italian public managers Filomena Buonocore and Davide De Gennaro Aula Anfiteatro 2 Information Systems Chairman: Gilda Antonelli

3:45 – 5:15 pm

The forces of the dark net. A critical realist investigation Paolo Spagnoletti, Federica Ceci and Bendik Bygstad

Organizing the enterprise 4.0. A proposal framework based on a cross-disciplinary review of industry 4.0 Lia Tirabeni, Gianluca D'Antonio, Paola De Bernardi and Paolo Chiabert

What(i)s(h)App(ening) in our team? Exploring (face-to-face vs electronic) communication networks in multidisciplinary teams Daniele Mascia

Investigating teamworking and consequences of interactions in teams Leila Ahmadpour and Daniele Mascia

The role of human capital in the digital transition towards industry 4.0 Niccolò Comerio, Eliana Alessandra Minelli and Andrea Urbinati

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## Aula Anfiteatro 3 Creativity and image

3:45 – 5:15 pm

Chairman: Giovanni Masino

A diffractive methodology as a way to overcome analytical challenges in organizational aesthetic research Federica De Molli and Jeanne Mengis

Literary festivals and their organizations Luca Pareschi and Luigi Maria Sicca

Exploring organizational and corporate identity on social media: a literature review Stefano Di Lauro, Aizhan Tursunbayeva, Gilda Antonelli and Marcello Martinez

Refocusing on novelty in organizations. A method for research? M. Laura Frigotto

### Aula Multimediale A 3:45 – 5:15 pm Innovation 1 Chairman: Marco Zamarian

Organizational sensemaking and sensegiving in new product development: the role of social media and web 2.0 Ludovico Bullini Orlandi, Paul Pierce, Cecilia Rossignoli and Alessandro Zardini

Creativity and relational mechanisms: how individuals build and activate their network in collaborative space Ludovica Leone, Fabrizio Montanari and Anna Chiara Scapolan

Understanding the creative entrepreneurial process: how do creative entrepreneurs' motivations change along with social ties? Viktoriya Pisotska, Kerem Gurses and Richard Tee

Understanding project structure and dynamics as key complexity drivers for project management. The case of a software project in a system dynamics perspective Stefano Armenia, Primiano Di Nauta and Cristina Simone

Entrepreneurial leadership and strategic decision making in micro and small firms. A configurational analysis Elisa Castellarin, Daniel Pittino, Christina Weber and Herbert Gillig Aula Anfiteatro 4 3:45 – 5:15 pm Organizational Behaviour 1 Chairman: Barbara Imperatori

Making Holacracy work: the possible role of e-HRM in deconstructing hierarchy Aurelio Ravarini and Marcello Martinez

The development of an inclusive workplace and the role of HRM Fabrizio Maimone

Be positive and rational to make effective entrepreneurial decisions. A mediation model between positive affect, rationality and entrepreneurial decision-making effectiveness

Sara Sassetti, Vincenzo Cavaliere, Laura Costanzo and Tapas Mishra

Stay true to yourself: The role of emotions to preserve authenticity and to innovate Daniela Aliberti and Chiara Paolino

Daily after-hours mobile use and work mental fatigue: effects on dispositions towards the organization and the spouse Massimo Magni, Ekaterina Netchaeva, Remus Ilies and Jingxian Yao

Aula Multimediale B 3:45 – 5:15 pm Health Organization 1 Chairman: Amerigo Cicchetti

About networks in heathcare: an exploraoty study of patients' advocacy associations Luca Giorgio, Federica Morandi, Roberta Laurita, Eugenio Di Brino and Amerigo Cicchetti

The "dark side" of technology adoption: exploring collaborative structures and learning dynamcs among surgeons in an Italian heathcare organization Daniele Mascia and Valentina Iacopino

Conflict management styles in medical health managers Marzia Ventura, Concetta Lucia Cristofaro, Walter Vesperi and Rocco Reina

The spread of the Electronic Health Record: the IRCCS' case Anna Maria Melina, Marzia Ventura, Rocco Reina and Walter Vesperi

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# Aula Seminari A3:45 - 5:15 pmOrganizational Behaviour 2Chairman: Guglielmo Faldetta

The norm of reciprocity in organizational behaviors: a systematic literature review Deborah Gervasi and Guglielmo Faldetta

Does disclosing (vs. hiding) preferences about work-life balance harm you? An analysis among male and female newcomers Gabriele Morandin, Marcello Russo and Aliasghar Bahoo Torodi

The antecedents of serial entrepreneurship: the role entrepreneurs' narcissism and human capital Simona Leonelli and Francesca Masciarelli

Love and organization studies: declining love in leadership's models Roberta Sferrazzo and Renato Ruffini

"Me, Myself & I". The antecedents, consequences and types of impression management Sriteja Wudaru and Richard Tee Aula Seminari B Organizational Change Chairman: Francesco Virili

### 3:45 - 5:15 pm

Organizational resilience. A preliminary study of the quasi-medium-sized Italian firms Paolo Gubitta, Diego Campagnolo, Martina Gianecchini and Alessandra Tognazzo

Cooperative enterprises: towards change and managerialization Roberta Cuel and Diego Ponte

Understanding long-term changes in legally-sanctioned organizational forms. The case of British building societies, 1832-2001 Olivier Butzbach

Organizational change and learning: moving forward after an explorative bibliometric-based literature analysis Francesco Virili, Cristiano Ghiringhelli and Stefano Za

Omnichannel strategy and organizational change: HRM challenges for luxury and fashion companies Ilenia Bua and Barbara Quacquarelli

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5:15 – 6:15 pm	Welcome Gaetano Aiello AIDEA president
	Round table
	Searching the future without forgetting the roots
	Federico Butera
	Giovanni Costa
	Riccardo Mercurio
	Moderated by Severino Salvemini
6:15 – 6:40 pm	Writing for a journal – Shaping your readership
	Tanya Bondarouk University of Twente
6:40 – 7:00 pm	Doctoral thesis awards
7:00 – 7:30 pm	ASSIOA assembly
7:30 – 8:00 pm	Towards the social dinner by bus

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8:00 pm Social dinner

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Aula Anfiteatro 1 9:00 – 10:15 am Performance Management 1 Chairman: Eliana Minelli

Performance appraisal and innovative work behaviours Ylenia Curzi, Tommaso Maria Fabbri, Anna Chiara Scapolan and Stefano Boscolo

Organizational wellbeing and performance: the case of an Italian branch of a multinational corporation Caterina Muzzi and Manuela Rossini

Control or support? The effect of HR systems on intellectual capital and organizational performance Alessandra Lazazzara, Edoardo Della Torre and Raoul Nacamulli

Broad-based employee share ownership plans: a multiple case study in the Italian context Desiree Giacomelli and Mauro Gatti

#### Aula Anfiteatro 3 Technology and change Chairman: Luca Solari

### 9:00 – 10:15 am

The paradox of the cloud: best-of-breed solutions vs heterogeneous control points

Niloofar Kazemargi and Paolo Spagnoletti

Agent-based simulation approach for collaborative consumption: exploring the information sharing dynamics Stefano Za and Eusebio Scornavacca

Are collaborative-robots collaborative? An organizational perspective Angelo Gasparre

Rediscovering sustainable peace through information technology Mauro Romanelli and Maria Ferrara

### Aula Anfiteatro 2 Health Organization 2 Chairman: Rocco Reina

### 9:00 - 10:15 am

Healthcare professionals' identity conflict and ethical behaviour in end-of-life circumstances: a qualitative study Lara Carminati and Yingfei Héliot

The bargaining style: lights and shadows from the Italian healthcare management Federica Morandi

Profili e competenze del middle management nel SSN Irene Gabutti and Americo Cicchetti

Identifying individual and job-related determinants of rating distortion in performance appraisal: the case of middle management in healthcare organizations Federica Morandi, Daria Angelozzi and Fausto Di Vincenzo

# Aula Anfiteatro 49:00 - 10:15 amKnowledge Management 1Chairman: Fabrizio Montanari

The transfer of managerial capabilities in a global organization Nicole Belfanti and Giancarlo Lauto

Entrepreneurial learning mechanisms: how and what entrepreneurs learn from their experience Michela Loi, Manuel Castriotta and M. Chiara Di Guardo

Linking clients' involvement and innovation performance: the mediating role of external knowledge sources and coordination mechanisms Stefano Li Pira, Anna Cabigiosu and Diego Campagnolo

Towards a more informed decision making process: early evidence from an entrepreneurs' community of practice Fabio Fraticelli and Sara Lombardi

### Aula Multimediale A 9:00 – 10:15 am Organization and Territory Chairman: Giuseppe Delmestri

Responsabilità di impresa per la formazione continua della comunità: la necessità di integrare studi e politiche aziendali con studi e politiche pubbliche Rossella Cappetta

Urban civic networks as an innovation-based process organising. The case of Bari metropolitan city Alessandra Ricciardelli and Francesco Manfredi

Special economic zones' governance and organizational structures: a policy network approach for a comparative analysis on some global experiences Sara Maryami and Marcello Martinez

The maintenance of a contested issue. Towards a theory of exchanges in shaping issue settlements Claudio Biscaro, Giuseppe Delmestri and Mia Raynard

### Aula Seminari A 9:00 – 10:15 am

Job Seeking Theory and Mismanagement Chairman: Raimondo Ingrassia

Integrating a dispositional and a competence-based approach to study graduates' perceived employability: preliminary evidence from the University of Florence Sara Lombardi, Mariacristina Bonti, Vincenzo Cavaliere and Martina Mori

Exploring millennials job seeking behaviours: what about the role of social media? Francesca Mochi, Rita Bissola and Barbara Imperatori

Dirtying bank work: managerial strategies to lower the status of an occupation and their possible side effects Luca Carollo and Silvia Gilardi

Uncovering the relationship between organizational identity and whistleblowing? Some preliminary evidence Rocco Palumbo, Paola Adinolfi, Gabriella Piscopo and Rosalba Manna

#### Aula Multimediale B Knowledge Management 2 Chairman: Luigi Proserpio

## 9:00 – 10:15 am

Knowledge sharing from the organizational knowing perspective:

an exploratory study in Italian hospital setting Rocco Agrifoglio, Paola Briganti, Concetta Metallo and Luisa Varriale

Technology in the process of information transformation in knowledge: the role of nurses Caterina Galdiero, Marcello Martinez and Mario Pezzillo Iacono

Digital HR Management practices friends or foe? A humanistic management perspective Claudia Dossena, Lorenzo Mizzau and Francesca Mochi

A literature review to explore e-learning in the universities Teresa Anna Rita Gentile, Ernesto De Nito, Rocco Reina and Anna Maria Melina

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### 10:15 – 11:30 am PARALLEL SESSIONS

Aula Anfiteatro 1 Family Business 1 Chairman: Chiara Morelli 10:15 – 11:30 am

Human resources management practices in family firms and the role of awareness: a configurational model Giulia Flamini and Luca Gnan

Organizational change in family firms: four different levels of emotions and behaviours Giulia Flamini and Damiano Petrolo

Familiness as a cluster of organizational logics: The OLC view of family business Francesca Ricciardi, Elisa Giacosa and Valter Cantino Aula Anfiteatro 2 1 Family Business 2 Chairman: Martina Gianecchini

Family entrepreneurship: a multi-level systematic literature review Cizhi Wang, Massimiliano M. Pellegrini and Luca Gnan

Family firms governance and performance inside industrial districts: a contingency approach Daniel Pittino, Francesca Visintin, Alessandro Minichilli and Cristiana Compagno

# Aula Anfiteatro 310:15 - 11:30 amIdentity and Pluralism 1Chairman: Luca Giustiniano

The unrepresentable organizational metamorphosis and the dynamics of organizations Massimo Bianchi

Pluralism and performance: a configurational analysis of human resources governance. Anna Grandori, Gustavo Oliveira, Sylvia Saes and Wilson Amorim

Toward a multi-paradigmatic and pluralistic approach to cultural diversity management Fabrizio Maimone

Language use and competition in pluralistic organizations, an analytical approach and empirical illustration Vitaliano Barberio

### Aula Anfiteatro 4 10 Identity and Pluralism 2 Chairman: Filomena Buonocore

A cross-cultural analysis of job crafting in call centers representatives Alessandra Lazazzara, Maria Tims and Raoul Nacamulli

A study of intended, actual and experienced HRM practices among chronically ill employees: the emergence of multi-level gaps Laura Innocenti, Silvia Profili, Alessia Sammarra and Anna Bos-Nehles

Identity and pluralism: studying the experience of a public network aimed at redesigning social services

Sabrina Bonomi, Daria Sarti and Teresina Torre

### Aula Mutimediale A 10:15 – 11:30 am Innovation 2 Chairman: Chiara Di Guardo

Organizations facing novelty: a framework to learn mindfulness Maria Laura Frigotto, Loris Gaio, Alessandro Narduzzo and Marco Zamarian

Understanding innovation processes in professional service firms. An integrated conceptual model Andrea Tomo, Gianluigi Mangia, Stefano Consiglio and Paolo Canonico

When birds of a flock do not fly together: diversity and innovation outcomes in international R&D collaborations Lucia Marchegiani, Federica Brunetta and Enzo Peruffo

Blockchain as innovation model: a coordination framework for interorganizational interactions Francesco Bolici

### Aula Seminari A 10:15 – 11:30 am Culture and Organization Chairman: Luigi Maria Sicca

Improving cultural organizations through visitors-sensing Francesco Cappa, Federica Rosso and Luca Giustiniano

Visitors-sourcing in cultural organizations Francesco Cappa, Federica Rosso and Luca Giustiniano

New cultural intermediaries. A case study on an Italian video-making organization Davide Bizjak, Mariavittoria Cicellin, Stefano Consiglio and Luigi Maria Sicca

#### Aula Multimediale B 10:15 – 11:30 am Performance Management 2 Chairman: Silvia Profili

Performance management systems and motivation: the moderating role of participation in decision making and task uncertainty Domenico Berdicchia, Enrico Bracci nd Giovanni Masino

Direct voice, performance-related pay and organizational Innovation in European firms Edoardo Della Torre, Meysam Salimi and Antonio Giangreco

Linking social value to individual performance: The role of social meaningful work and job engagement Rita Bissola and Barbara Imperatori

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Coffee break
Round table
Engaged scholarship
Domenico Bodega
Stefano Consiglio
Chiara Di Guardo
Paolo Gubitta
Giovanni Masino
Luigi Maria Sicca
Luca Solari
Francesca Visintin
Moderated by Giuseppe Delmestri
Best paper ceremony - Next WOA announcement
Farewell lunch
Towards the Cappella Palatina (walking)
Social program: Visit to Cappella Palatina (optional) Entrance: Piazza del Parlamento



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