

# Irene Morlino

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## **EDUCATION**

September 2019 – November 2019. **Visiting Research Fellow at Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals (IBEI)**, Barcelona, Spain, under the framework of the NORTIA Jean Monnet network.

June 2019 . Qualitative methods summer school at **Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR), Maxwell School, Syracuse University** (Syracuse, NY, U.S.A.).

September 2017 – present. **MPhil/PhD in International Relations, The London School of Economics and Political Science, LSE** (London, U.K.).

- Thesis title 'EU humanitarian aid: coordination and effectiveness'.
- Supervisor: Professor Karen E. Smith.
- Academic fields of interest: International Relations, EU Humanitarian Aid, International Organisations, EU, UN, EU-UN relations.
- Obtained general training in qualitative methods at the LSE department of International Relations.
- Expecting to travel for fieldwork in 2019/2020.

June 2017. **Master's Degree in European Affairs, Institut d'études politiques de Paris, SciencesPo** (Paris, France). Final dissertation on: 'Food Assistance: what coordination between the EU and the UN?'. Supervisor: Professor Christian Lequesne. Grade of dissertation: 16/20.

August 2016. **Summer Creative Writing Course, University of Cambridge** taught by professor and writer Jem Poster (Cambridge, UK).

October 2014. **Bachelor's Degree in Political Sciences, LUISS Guido Carli University** (Rome, Italy) Final dissertation on: 'The European External Action Service: from plans to reality'. Supervisor: Professor Mario Telò. Final grade: 110/110 *cum laude*.

September 2013 – January 2014. **ERASMUS program, Université Catholique de Louvain** (Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium). Exams: Fondements de l'intégration européenne: histoire, géographie, culture, structures; Modèles socio-politiques de l'état; Economie européenne; Droit des relations internationales.

August 2012. **Cours intensif de Civilisation Française at the Université Paris- Sorbonne** (Paris, France).

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### Academic

February 2018. Morlino I., "Food assistance: what role for EU-UN coordination". Working Paper No. 2018/1, *European Foreign Policy Unit*, LSE.

September 2018. Currently working on paper on "Exploring the conditions of the effectiveness of EU external policies: the case of humanitarian aid".

## Creative Writing

December 2015. *Il carrozziere e la studentessa*, short story published as part of the book Girotondo napoletano edited by Cinzia Tani, Homo scrivens (2015), winner of XIV Carver Prize 2016.

July 2015. *Odio l'estate*, short story published as part of the anthology *Odio l'estate*, Giulio Perrone Editore (2015).

July 2014. *Terra d'ombra*, short story submitted to the annual literary contest organized by Radiotelevisione Italiana S.p.A. (RAI), in Collelongo, Italy.

June 2014. *Vite Spezzate*, short story submitted to the "The End" creative writing contest, Libreria Mondadori. Rome, Italy.

## **AWARDS**

**2019. NORTIA Jean Monnet Visiting Fellowship** at Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals (IBEI), Barcelona, Spain.

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**Academic Association for Contemporary European Studies (UACES), Lisbon, 2019.** "*Food assistance: what role for EU-UN coordination*". Working Paper No. 2018/1, *European Foreign Policy Unit*, LSE.

**European Union Studies Association (EUSA), Denver, 2019.** *Exploring the conditions of the effectiveness of EU external policies: the case of humanitarian aid.*

**International Studies Association (ISA), Toronto, 2019.** "*Food assistance: what role for EU-UN coordination*". Working Paper No. 2018/1, *European Foreign Policy Unit*, LSE.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

September 2018 – current. **Graduate Teaching Assistant at The London School of Economics and Political Science, LSE, London, U.K.**

Responsible for designing, teaching, giving feedback for Bachelor's Degree classes on the 'Introduction to International Relations: Concepts, Theories and Debates' (IR100) (Michelmas, Lent and Summer Term).

September 2018 – July 2019. **Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education (PG-Cert-HE), LSE, London, U.K.**

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

September 2018 – November 2018. **Research Assistant at The London School of Economics and Political Science, LSE, London, U.K.**

Research assistance to Professor Karen E. Smith writing reports on the human rights situation and position of EU member states. The research is for a EUN-NET project addressed to Master's students. It consists of two simulations on EU coordination on human rights issues at the United Nations Human Rights Council.

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

September 2018 – June 2019. **Coordinator of the research workshop of the International Relations Department at The London School of Economics and Political Science, LSE, London, U.K.**

Responsible of organizing and administratively coordinating the research workshop on “International Institutions, Law and Ethics”. Joined by academics and PhD students from the LSE and other universities discussing and presenting their works, the workshop runs weekly and it focuses on the study of international institutions (e.g. EU, UN, NATO, ICC) and of international issues such as nuclear proliferation, human rights, genocide, humanitarian aid and intervention, climate change, global health governance and international labour rights.

February 2017 – June 2017. **Project manager at Les Glorieuses, feminist association and weekly newsletter (with more than 100 000 subscribers), Paris, France.**

Contributed to the set up of a political, although non-partisan, project and online platform ‘Les Femmes Ont le Pouvoir’ (Women have the power) in light of the French presidential elections (2017); researched, gathered and analysed data on the attitudes of the electoral candidates towards gender equality policies during their national and European mandates so to inform the electors; researched and analysed the policies adopted in other countries to preserve women’s rights so to inspire national policy-makers; helped to manage the FaceBook page of the project and of the newsletter; made research for the weekly newsletter.

May 2016 – July 2016. **Internship at Permanent Observer for the IGO *International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA)* to the United Nations (UN), New York City, USA.**

Followed-up meetings on the subject of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and High Level Political Forum; followed the work of the Economic and Social Council Sessions on Humanitarian Affairs; Attended and reported, as requested, on permanent meetings, seminars and conferences for information-gathering purposes; produced summary notes on the meetings attended for distribution within IDEA; attended Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS; carried out assignments related to the mandate of IDEA’s Permanent Observer Mission to the UN; Supported local personnel with the planning and logistics of IDEA (co)organized events focusing on democracy and democracy building and the body of UN work.

January 2015 – July 2015. **Internship at Procurement and Insurance Section, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD - UN), Rome, Italy.**

Provided procurement, logistical and administrative support to the Procurement Officers for purchase of a variety of goods and services and to the preparation and to the process of administrative requests/documents (e.g. Purchase Orders, contracts); analyzed information and made researches for IFAD Country Offices’ insurance; generated a variety of standard reports using internal databases (MEMOs); provided administrative assistance to Contract bargaining; organized Procurement training in collaboration with UNDP; provided Protocol assistance during the 2015 IFAD Governing Council, assisting the King and the Queen of Tonga and Mrs. Winnie Byanyima (OXFAM).

## **EXTRA ACADEMIC INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES**

April 2019. 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Winner of LSE Photography contest, with the picture “Deconstructing reality – bus drive back from the LSE”.

February 2016 – July 2017. Member of Italian-French creative writing group supervised by Italian writer Roberto Ferrucci at Maison des écrivains et de la littérature (Paris, France).

September 2015 – June 2016. Active member of the Benjamin Franklin Society of SciencesPo: student association dealing with USA-EU relationship.

September 2015 – January 2016. Writer for the exhibition section of ‘L’Artichaut’, SciencesPo artistic newspaper.

May 2015. Editor of the script ‘Interviste impossibili’ (Impossible interviews) and author of ‘Confucio spericolato’ as part of the before mentioned script, performed at Teatro Porta Portese (Rome, Italy).

January 2015 – May 2015. Creator, author and speaker of ‘Colpo di Scena’ (Coup de théâtre) radio show at Radio LUISS, LUISS Guido Carli University.

February 2014 – June 2015. Enrollment and attendance at the creative writing course taught by professor and writer Cinzia Tani, sponsored by Mondadori publishing at the Libreria Mondadori (Rome, Italy).

## **LANGUAGES**

*Italian:* Native.

*English:* fluent, both speaking and writing.

Level C1+, Reading, Listening, Speaking, Writing (according to the CEFR Common European Framework of Reference for Languages); IELTS (15/06/2017) – Overall score 8.0 (Listening: 9.0; Reading 8.5; Writing 6.5; Speaking 8.0). Master’s Degree in European Affairs (SciencesPo- Paris), taught both in English and in French.

*French:* fluent, both speaking and writing.

Level C1A (according to the CEFR Common European Framework of Reference for Languages); TCF (11/19/2014) - 599 points; CECR level C1 (Épreuves obligatoire: compréhension orale 599, C1; maîtrise des structures de la langue 600, C2; compréhension écrite 599, C1. Épreuves complémentaires: expression écrite 16/20, C1; expression orale 14/20, C1). Master’s Degree in European Affairs (SciencesPo), taught both in English and in French.

*Spanish:* basic.

Level A2 (according to the CEFR Common European Framework of Reference for Languages); Spanish language course at International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD-UN), Rome, Italy.

*Chinese:* basic.

Level A2. Chinese language course at SciencesPo, Paris (September 2015 – December 2016); Chinese language course at Istituto Confucio, University of Rome ‘La Sapienza’ (Rome, Italy), level: A1 (October 2014 to January 2015).