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WORK EXPERIENCE

08/2019 – 12/2019 Frascati, Italy

INTERNATIONAL TRAINEE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY

Trainee in the Member States Relations and Partnerships Office, within the Strategy Department of ESA. Tasks related to the monitoring of space activities of ESA Member States for the elaboration of policy papers, position documents and internal preparatory documents for official meetings.

11/2019 – 12/2020 Vienna, Austria

RESIDENT FELLOW - ESPI EUROPEAN SPACE POLICY INSTITUTE

Researcher seconded to ESPI by the Italian Space Agency (ASI) in the field of space policy and space economy with multiple publications, also related to the effects of COVID-19 on the European Space Sector, the policy and business developments of new technologies such as In-Orbit Servicing.

05/2021 – 05/2023 Rome, Italy

JUNIOR RESEARCHER ISTITUTO AFFARI INTERNAZIONALI - IAI

Junior Researcher in the Security and Defence Programmes, with a close focus on Space with specific activities devoted to the sector, also in the framework of European and international projects, in close contact with the national space community at civil and military level. Multiple publications on space, international politics and the arctic region.

05/2023 – CURRENT Rome, Italy

RESEARCHER AGENZIA SPAZIALE ITALIANA - ASI

Researcher in the International Affairs Directorate of the Italian Space Agency (ASI), within the International Relations and Space Diplomacy Unit.

01/05/2024 – CURRENT

ADVISER OF THE ITALIAN DELEGATION TO EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE AGENZIA SPAZIALE ITALIANA

11/02/2025 – CURRENT Italy

MEMBER OF THE ITALIAN DELEGATION TO THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY STRATEGIC FORESIGHT NETWORK AGENZIA SPAZIALE ITALIANA

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

09/2016 – 11/2018 Rome, Italy

MASTER OF ARTS IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES Università degli Studi Roma Tre

09/2012 – 03/2016 Rome, Italy

BACHELOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCES AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS Università degli Studi Roma Tre

12/2018 – 07/2019 Rome, Italy

POST-GRADUATE MASTER IN SPACE POLICIES AND INSTITUTIONS Società Italiana per l'Organizzazione Internazionale (SIOI)

03/2019 – 06/2019 Rome, Italy

ANALYST COURSE IN TECHNOLOGY AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS Istituto Affari Internazionali IAI



LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): **ITALIAN**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	C1	C1	C1	C1	C2
FRENCH	B1	B1	B1	B1	B1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

DIGITAL SKILLS

Microsoft Office | Open sources research | Analytical and Research | Ability to analyse, synthesize and structure information | Information, data and media literacy | Safety protocols | Problem analysis & Problem Solving | Academic reading, writing and editing

PUBLICATIONS

2023

[Future of Military Helicopters](#)

Alessandro Marrone, Giancarlo La Rocca (eds.)

2023

[Il sistema-Paese Italia di fronte alle sfide dello spazio: tra space economy, cooperazioni internazionali e cybersecurity](#)

Karolina Muti, Ottavia Credi, Giancarlo La Rocca

2023

[Il dominio spaziale e la minaccia cyber](#)

Ottavia Credi, Giancarlo La Rocca, Alessandro Marrone

2023

[Space – Exploring NATO’s Final Frontier](#)

Nicolò Fasola, Giancarlo La Rocca, Sonia Lucarelli, Francesco N. Moro

2023

[Le Forze Armate francesi e le sfide del secolo, in Un Anno di Guerra della Russia all’Ucraina, Affari Internazionali, Edizione Speciale](#)

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2023

[The new reality of the space-defence nexus, in Friends of Europe Critical Thinking](#)

Giancarlo La Rocca, Alessandro Marrone

2022

[Il fronte spaziale della guerra in Ucraina, in La guerra russo-ucraina, la sicurezza dell’Europa e la difesa europea](#)

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2022

[The EU Approach to Space Traffic Management](#)



Giancarlo La Rocca, Karolina Muti, Alessandro Marrone

2022

[Approaches to STM across the world. The Current State of Play in Space Traffic Management](#)

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2022

[A Congested Space and its Safety. The Importance of Space Traffic Management](#)

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2022

[Le conseguenze del ban americano, in Airpress , n. 133 \(maggio 2022\), p. 10-11](#)

Giancarlo La Rocca, Alessandro Marrone

2022

[The Expanding Nexus between Space and Defence](#)

Alessandro Marrone, Michele Nones (eds.)

2022

[MENA Space Capabilities & Security Challenges](#)

Dario Cristiani, Giancarlo La Rocca, Alessandro Marrone, Michele Nones

2020

[In-Orbit Services. Policy and Business Perspectives](#)

Giancarlo La Rocca, Ewan Wright, Clémence Poirier, Giulia Bordacchini. ESPI Report n.76

2020

[Space Venture Europe 2019. Entrepreneurship and Private Investment in the European Space Sector](#)

Sebastien Moranta, Jules Varma, Annalisa Donati, Giancarlo La Rocca, Fabio Alba. ESPI Report n. 73

2020

[COVID-19 and the European Space Sector](#)

Giancarlo La Rocca, Sebastien Moranta. ESPI Special Reports

2020

[ESPI Yearbook 2019. Space Policies, Issues and Trends](#)

Sebastien Moranta, Annalisa Donati, Sara Hadley, Mathieu Bataille, Giancarlo La Rocca, Jules Varma

2020

[Questions raised by the COVID-19 crisis for the space sector](#)

Giancarlo La Rocca. ESPI Briefs n. 41

2020

[In-Orbit Servicing: Challenges and Implications of an Emerging Capability](#)

Giancarlo La Rocca. ESPI Briefs n. 38

2020

[L'Accordo sulla Luna del 1969. Un bilancio deludente?, di "Il ritorno alla Luna: quale modello per gli aspetti giuridici?", in Società Italiana per l'Organizzazione Internazionale, Il ritorno alla Luna: prospettive, collaborazioni e piani di sviluppo](#)

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