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2026 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

June 11-12, 2026

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Program

June 11, 2.00 pm - 5.30 pm. Session I: “Progetti in corso”.

Lecture Hall “Gabriele De Rosa”, Building D2, Fisciano Campus

2.00 Institutional Greetings

Virgilio D’ANTONIO, Chancellor, University of Salerno

Gianfranco MACRÌ, Director, Dipartimento DISPC, University of Salerno

Eugenio REFINI, Director, Department of Italian Studies, New York University

Stefano ALBERTINI, Director, Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò, New York University

2.30 Luca CASTAGNA, University of Salerno

Introduction to the Conference

3.00 Massimo DI GIOACCHINO, New York University

A Report of the 2025-26 Academic Year

3.30 Coffee Break

4.00 Matteo CAPONI, University of Genova, and Paolo ZANINI, University of Milano

Ongoing Research and New Partnerships of the Fondazione Romolo Murri

4.30 Matteo PALOMBI, Sapienza Università di Roma

Project PEACE: Promoting Education and Active Citizenship for Europe through Peace

5.00 Vincenzo CARLETTI, University of Salerno

The Maps of the Catholic Anti-Protestant International (1898-1958)

June 12, 9.00 am - 12.30 pm. Session II: “Cantieri della ricerca”.

Lecture Hall “Gabriele De Rosa”, Building D2, Fisciano Campus

09.00 Ilaria VALENZI, Centro di Documentazione Metodista

“Evangelical South”

09.30 Anne FORNERAUD and Eric VALET, University of Strasbourg

ReligiS: Religions et sociétés face aux défis contemporains

10.00 Davide ROMANO, Istituto Avventista di Firenze

For a History of Italian Adventists and Conscientious Objection to Military Service in Italy

10.30 Coffee Break

11.00 Announcements from the GLIRN Book Series

by Agnese TATÌ, editorial secretary

11.15 Remarks from the GLIRN Doctoral Dissertation Fellows

11.30 Stefano VILLANI, University of Maryland

The London Society for Promoting Christianity Among the Jews: Christian Zionism between London, Rome, and Jerusalem.

12.15 Final discussion

Scholars joining the conversation: Simone Baral, Francesca Campigli, Valentina Ciciliot, Alfonso Conte, Vicente Dalla Chiesa, Donato Di Sanzo, Giovanni Ferrarese, Isabella Gagliardi, Marco Grifo, Francesco Mores, Emma Pietroletti, Andrea Possieri, Elena Serina, Juan de Lara Vázquez.