

CURRICULUM VITAE

[Mario Loconsole]

I was born and raised in Puglia and pursued my academic training in Italy (Bari and Lecce), Belgium (Leuven), and Germany (Cologne). I am a historian of philosophy specialised in medieval thought, with a particular focus on natural philosophy and the critical edition of unedited medieval Latin texts.

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1. Current position and contacts

Fixed-term assistant professors (RTD-b) - since 1/10/2025

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2. Professional Experience

- 1/6/2024-30/9/2025 **Postdoc Researcher (Assegnista di ricerca)** at the Università del Salento in the project: “Il ruolo della *consuetudo* e il potere coercitivo delle credenze collettive nel pensiero medievale” (PRIN 2022 “Believing without Evidence? The Ethics of Belief and Doxastic Control from Augustine to Fake News” [cod. 2022KSEMSR]).
- 1/6/2022-31/5/2024 **Postdoc Researcher (Assegnista di ricerca)** at the Università di Udine in the project: “Questioni disputate di altri autori rifuse nell’«Expositio commenti Averrois in VIII libros Physicorum» di Urbano da Bologna” (PRIN 2017 “Averroism. History, Developments and Implications of a Cross-cultural Tradition” [cod. 2017H8MWHR]).
- 1/11/2021-31/12/2023 **Research Associate (Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter)** at the Thomas Institut (Universität zu Köln) in the project: “Die hebräisch-lateinische Übersetzung des Maimonides: Die kritische Edition des *Dux neutrorum*”.
- 1/5/2021-31/12/2022 **Research assistant** at the Universitatea Babeş Bolyai Cluj-Napoca in the project: “Melancholy in Medieval Europe (1100-1400). Depression, Creativity, and Philosophy of Nature”.
- 1/3/2021-31/5/2021 **Research assistant (Wissenschaftliche Hilfskraft)** at the Thomas Institut (Universität zu Köln) in the project: “Durandus-Editions-Projekt: die kritische Edition des *Sentenzenkommentars* des Durandus von St. Pourçain”.

The professional gap between my PhD and my first research position was due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which occurred immediately after my thesis defence. During this period, I concentrated on writing articles, although it was a challenging time as the closure of Italy blocked my ability to actively participate in academic life abroad.

3. Education and Degrees

- 9/6/2023-9/6/2034 **National Scientific Habilitation** (Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale) in History of Philosophy (Storia della filosofia-11/C5 [11/PHIL-05]) for positions as Associate Professor in Italian Universities (Professore universitario di Seconda Fascia).
- 11/2016 -1/2020 **PhD** (awarded 24/01/2020) in “Filosofia. Forme e storia dei saperi filosofici” (joint PhD programme: Università del Salento-Universität zu Köln). Title: “Il mondo minerale tra Alberto Magno ed Enrico di Herford. Analisi storico-filosofica del *De mineralibus* di Alberto Magno ed edizione critica del libro VI della *Catena aurea entium*”. Mark: “Eccellente *cum laude*”.
- 9/2012-10/2014 **Master** in “Scienze Filosofiche” (Università di Bari). Thesis in History of Philosophy titled: “Magia e Conoscenza. Da Bruno e Spinoza e oltre”. Mark: 110/110 *cum laude*.
- 9/2009-10/2012 **Bachelor** in “Filosofia” (Università di Bari). Thesis in History of Philosophy titled: “Ciò che tutti chiamano Dio. Le cinque vie di Tommaso d’Aquino e la loro ricezione nei commentatori rinascimentali”. Mark: 110/110 *cum laude*.
- 7/2009 High school **diploma** - Classical studies.

4. Professional Formation

- 1/2/2018-28/2/2018 Guest stay at the Albertus Magnus Institut (Bonn).
- 1/10/2017-31/1/2018 Guest stay at the Thomas Institut (Universität zu Köln).
- 9/2015-9/2016 PhD student (without a grant) in “Ricerche e studi sull’Antichità, il Medioevo e l’Umanesimo Salerno – RAMUS” (XVII ciclo) at the Università di Salerno in the curriculum “Filosofia dell’età antica, medievale e umanistica” (FiTMU).
- 9/2011-6/2012 ERASMUS project. Benefiting from the ERASMUS grant, I spent one regular academic year at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven regularly attending classes and taking exams.

5. List of Publications

Books and critical editions:

- M. LOCONSOLE, *Henricus de Hervordia, Catena aurea entium VI*, Meiner, Hamburg 2023 (Corpus Philosophorum Teutonicorum Medii Aevi, 7.4). ISBN: 978-3-7873-4345-4.

Edited Volumes:

- M. LOCONSOLE / E. MITEVA / M. PANARELLI (eds), *Natural Philosophy in Albert the Great. A Dialogue of Disciplines*, Brepols, Turnhout 2023. ISSN: 1379-2547.

Articles in peer-reviewed journals:

- M. LOCONSOLE, *On the natural motion of heavy and light bodies (gravia et levia). Urbano of Bologna and Averroes’ solution*, in *Quaestio*, 25 (2025), forthcoming.
- M. LOCONSOLE, *La quaestio “Utrum gravia moveantur ex se deorsum vel ab alio” di Urbano da Bologna*, in *Noctua*, XII/2 (2025), forthcoming.
- M. LOCONSOLE, ‘*Somnium coadiuvat ad curationem*’. *The Curative Power of Dreams in Pietro d’Abano’s ‘Conciliator’*, in *Bulletin de philosophie médiévale*, 67 (2025), forthcoming.
- M. LOCONSOLE, *What Is It Like to Die for a Stone? Albert the Great and the Biologisation of Inorganic Nature*, in *Quaestio*, 23 (2023), pp. 209-233. ISSN: 1379-2547, doi: 10.1484/j.quaestio.5.133926.
- M. LOCONSOLE, *Il libro VI della Catena aurea entium di Enrico di Herford: un adattamento trecentesco del De mineralibus di Alberto Magno*, in *Quaestio*, 23 (2023), pp. 315-332. ISSN: 1379-2547, doi: 10.1484/j.quaestio.5.133930.
- M. LOCONSOLE / E. MITEVA / M. PANARELLI, *Introduction. New perspectives on Albert the Great’s Natural Philosophy*, in *Quaestio*, 23 (2023), pp. 3-14. ISSN: 1379-2547, doi: 10.1484/j.quaestio.5.133917.
- M. LOCONSOLE, *Può un uomo generarsi nell’utero di una capra o di una cagna? Una quaestio di Urbano da Bologna nel commento alla Physica di Averroè*, in *Noctua*, X/2 (2023), pp. 46-105. ISSN: 2284-1180, doi: 10.14640/NoctuaX2.
- M. LOCONSOLE, *Accidia e malinconia. Le radici mediche nella descrizione degli accidiosi nel canto VII dell’Inferno dantesco*, in *Quaestio*, 22 (2022), pp. 509-532. ISSN: 1379-2547, doi: 10.1484/j.quaestio.5.133424.

- M. LOCONSOLE, *The figure and thought of Berthold of Moosburg. New studies and perspectives*, in *Bulletin de philosophie médiévale*, 64 (2022), pp. 23-39. ISSN: 0068-4023, doi: 10.1484/J.BPM.5.131547.
- M. LOCONSOLE, «Come virtude in pietra da corpo nobilissimo celestiale». *La filosofia naturale di Alberto Magno nel Convivio dantesco*, in *Medioevo. Rivista della filosofia medievale*, 46 (2021), pp. 69-94. ISSN: 0391-2566.
- M. LOCONSOLE, 'Alchimicorum periti operantur sicut periti medicorum'. *Albert the Great's Account on alchemical Transmutation*, in *Noctua*, VII/2 (2020), pp. 185-224. ISSN: 2284-1180, doi: 10.14640/NoctuaVII5.
- M. LOCONSOLE, *A Theory on the Formation of Minerals. Albert the Great and the Constitution of Scientific Mineralogy*, in *Quaestio*, 20 (2020), pp. 369-388. ISSN: 1379-2547, doi: 10.1484/j.quaestio.5.122865.
- M. LOCONSOLE, *New Trends in Eckhart Studies*, in *Quaestio*, 18 (2018), pp. 539-555. ISSN: 1379-2547, doi: 10.1484/j.quaestio.5.118133.

Chapters in books and conference proceedings:

- M. LOCONSOLE, 'An grave inanimatum moveat seipsum'. *A 14th-Century Constellation of Averroes' Interpreters*, in L. REUKE / A. SPEER (Hrsg.), *Konstellationen*, De Gruyter, Berlin 2026 (Miscellanea Mediaevalia, 44), forthcoming.
- M. LOCONSOLE, *Taddeo of Parma on the motion of inanimate bodies: philosophical debates at the University of Bologna in the early 14th century*, forthcoming.
- M. LOCONSOLE, *La tradizione dei Meteorologica nel Convivio di Dante*, in L. BIANCHI / S. PELIZZARI / A. TABARRONI (eds), *La «compiuta gioia». Dante e la filosofia*, Longo Editore, Ravenna 2024 (Memoria del tempo, 87), pp. 61-82. ISBN 978-88-9350-140-8.
- M. LOCONSOLE, *Why Philosophers Father Foolish Children. Peter of Spain, Albert the Great and James of Viterbo on the Transmission of Intellectual Qualities*, in M. GENSLER / M. MANSFELD / M. MICHAŁOWSKA / G. KLIMA (eds), *The Embodied Soul. Aristotelian Psychology and Physiology in Medieval Europe between 1200 and 1420*, Springer Verlag (Historical-Analytical Studies on Nature, Mind and Action 11), Cham 2022, pp. 91-113. ISBN: 978-3-030-99452-5, ISSN: 2509-4793, doi: 10.1007/978-3-030-99453-2_6.

Reviews and Reports:

- M. LOCONSOLE, *I 'pagani' come problema filosofico: un modello di 'sintesi storica'*, in *Quaestio*, 16 (2016), pp. 247-256.
- M. LOCONSOLE, *Nuove prospettive sul Convivio dantesco*, in *Quaestio*, 16 (2016), pp. 267-272.
- F.A. D'ERCOLE / M. LOCONSOLE / M. PANARELLI, *Giles of Rome: His Thought and Influence*, in *Bulletin de philosophie médiévale*, 58 (2016), pp. 120-130.

6. Editorial Activity

- 8/2024-to date **Peer reviewer** of the series *Studien und Texte zur Geistesgeschichte des Mittelalters* (Brill - ISSN: 0169-8028).
- 4/2024-to date **Ad hoc peer reviewer** of the series *Documenti e studi sulla tradizione filosofica medievale* (SISMEL Edizioni del Galluzzo - ISSN: 1122-5750).
- 1/2023-to date **Member of the editorial team** of the series *Ad argumenta* (Brepols - ISSN: 2736-2159).
- 1/2017-to date **Member of the editorial team** of the journal *Quaestio. Annuario di storia della metafisica* (Brepols - Print ISSN: 1379-2547; Online ISSN: 2295-9033).

7. Talks in Conferences and Workshops

- 16-17/10/2025 "*Experimentum enim solum certificat in talibus*: The Epistemological Role of *experimentum* in Albert the Great's Natural Philosophy". International conference: "Theories of Sense Perception. External and Internal Senses in the Later Middle Age" (University of Łódź). **Invited**.
- 3-7/10/2025 "From Collective Belief to Scientific Doctrine: Framing the Theory of Spontaneous Generation in the Late Middle Ages". EGSAMP International Summer School "For an archaeology of conspiracy theories" (Università di Torino – Morimondo). **Invited**.
- 8-10/10/2025 "Is Spontaneous Generation a Case of Equivocal Generation? Urbano da Bologna and the Averroist Legacy". International conference: "Late Medieval Hylomorphism in Discussion. Hylomorphic Theories in Their Institutional Context, 1275-1350" (KU Leuven). **Invited**.

- 16-17/5/2025 “Challenging the Aristotelian Epistemological Paradigm on the Motion of Inanimate Bodies. An Idea Behind a successful Marie Skłodowska-Curie Project”. The Fifth International Conference for Doctoral Students in Philosophy: “Limits of Knowledge - Limits of Ignorance” (University Babeş-Bolyai of Cluj-Napoca). **Invited (keynote speaker)**
- 13-14/1/2025 “Healing Metals? Alchemy and Medicine as Arts for Recovering Bodily Substances”. International conference: “Albertus Magnus on Health, Disease, and Disability” (University Alliance Ruhr). **Invited.**
- 9-13/9/2024 “*An grave inanimatum moveat seipsum*. A 14th-Century Constellation of Averroes’s Interpreters”. 44. Kölner Mediaevistentagung: “Konstellationen” (Universität zu Köln).
- 10-12/1/2024 “A Bolognese Dispute between Averroists. Taddeo da Parma and Urbano da Bologna on the Motion of Inanimate Bodies”. International Colloquium: “Averroism.History, Developments and Implications of a Cross-cultural Tradition” (Università di Torino). **Invited.**
- 12-15/9/2023 “*Somnium coadiuvat ad curationem*. The Curative Power of Dreams in Pietro d’Abano’s *Conciliator*”. 27th Annual Colloquium of the SIEPM: “Medieval Debates on Foreknowledge: Future Contingents, Prophecy, and Divination” (Università di Trento).
- 4-8/9/2023 “Can We Trust Our Dreams? Some Advice from a Medieval Physician”. EGSAMP Summerschool: “Dark Ages and Fake News. Beliefs, Impostures and Debunking *in* and *about* Medieval Thought” (Università di Torino – Morimondo). **Invited.**
- 15-16/11/2022 “*Acedia addit super tristitiam*. The Utmost Sadness of the Slothful Sinners in Albert the Great and Thomas Aquinas”. Workshop: “Medicine and Philosophy IV: Maladies of the soul” (University Babeş-Bolyai of Cluj-Napoca-Romania).
- 22-26/8/2022 “Melancholy and acedia. The Medical Roots of the Description of Slothful Sinners in Dante’s *Inferno*”. SIEPM XVth International Congress: “Radical Thinking in the Middle Ages” (Paris-Aubervilliers).
- 09-11/12/2021 “La tradizione dei *Meteorologica* nel *Convivio* dantesco”. International conference: “«Quella druda della quale nullo amadore prende compiuta gioia» (Cv III 12 13). Dante e la filosofia. XXV Convegno della Società italiana per lo studio del pensiero medievale” (Università di Udine).
- 06-07/12/2021 “Stones and seals in Albert’s *De mineralibus*. How minerals can influence human body and mind”. Workshop: “Medicine and Philosophy III: Contagion and Fascination” (Università del Salento). **Invited.**
- 08-10/9/2021 “*Experimentum solum certificat in talibus*. Epistemologia del particolare nella filosofia naturale di Alberto Magno”. Conference: “Mondi reali / Mondi possibili: l’esperimento. Convegno dell’Associazione Italiana Alexander von Humboldt” (Università di Bari).
- 13-14/6/2019 “Why Philosophers generate foolish Children? *Complexio* of Bodies, Soul and Mind in Albert the Great’s Theory of Generation”. Conference: “Mind and Body: Aspects of Medieval Natural Philosophy” (University of Łódź).
- 10-11/5/2019 “*Alchimicorum periti operantur sicut periti medicorum*: The Influence of medical Sources in Albert the Great’s Account on Alchemy”. Workshop: “Medicine and philosophy: the longue durée of the humoral theory” (Babeş-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca). **Invited.**
- 26-28/4/2018 “Arte e natura: Alberto Magno sui sigilli”. Conference: “Centri e periferie nella storia del pensiero filosofico” (Università del Salento). **Invited.**
- 9-11/11/2017 “Albert the Great on the Role of Heat and Moisture. The Generation of Minerals”. Colloquium: “Cologne-Toronto Graduate Student Colloquium” (Universität zu Köln). **Invited.**
- 10/10/2017 “Albert the Great on the Role of Heat in Generation of Minerals”. Workshop: “Albertus Magnus and the Nature” (Thomas Institut of Cologne and the Albertus Magnus Institut of Bonn). **Invited.**
- 12-14/7/2017 “*Sciant artifices e prima materia*: il concetto di materia alle prese con l’alchimia”. International ESHHS Conference (Università di Bari).
- 15-19/8/2016 “Albert the Great on alchemy”. EGSAMP Summerschool: “Locality and cross-border Exchange in the Middle Ages” (Ohrid-Macedonia).

8. Teaching Experience (Lectures and Seminars)

- 11/12/2024 **Presenter** of the seminar “Medieval Mineralogy: Albert the Great’s *De mineralibus* and Henry of Herford’s *Catena aurea entium*” at the “Atelier de traduction de textes scientifiques médiévaux 2024-2025” (Prof. Isabelle Draelants – Institut de recherche et d’histoire des textes (IRHT) – Paris)

- 23/10/2024 **Guest lecturer** (1 lesson of 2 hours) at the Università del Salento: “La teoria dell’intelletto in Alberto Magno” (in Prof. Elisa Rubino course “Storia della Filosofia Medievale” for master students).
- 22/10/2024 **Guest lecturer** (1 lesson of 2 hours) at the Università del Salento: “Le molteplici lingue della filosofia nel Medioevo” (in Prof. Elisa Rubino course “Storia del pensiero politico antico e medievale” for bachelor students).
- 4/9/2024 **Philosophy Lesson** in prison (Casa Circondariale di Lecce) to a detainee enrolled in the faculty.
- 15/5/2024 **Guest lecturer** (1 lesson of 2 hours) at the Università di Udine: “Arte e natura: il caso dell’alchimia nell’opera di Alberto Magno” (in Prof. Andrea Tabarroni’s course “Storia della Filosofia Medievale” for bachelor students).
- 31/10/2023 **Presenter** of the seminar “The Philosophical Debate on the Motion of Corporeal Bodies in the Late Middle Ages and the Renaissance” at the “FoDoKo - Research Colloquium Wintersemester 2023/24” held at the Thomas-Institut (Universität zu Köln).
- 10/01/2023 **Presenter** of the seminar “Can a man be generated in the womb of a goat or of a dog? A *quaestio* by Urbano da Bologna in his commentary on Averroes’ *Physics*” at the “FoDoKo - Research Colloquium Wintersemester 2022/23” held at the Thomas-Institut (Universität zu Köln).
- 7/11/2022 **Guest lecturer** (1 lesson of 4 hours) at the Università del Salento: “La ricerca fonti nelle edizioni critiche” (in the workshop for PhDs “Tecniche di edizione di testi filosofici medievali”).
- 26/04/2022 **Presenter** of the seminar “Melancholy and acedia in Dante’s Canto VII” at the “FoDoKo - Research Colloquium Sommersemester 2022” held at the Thomas-Institut (Universität zu Köln).
- 10/2021-2/2022 **Course lecturer** (in English, 15 lessons of 2 hours) at the Universität zu Köln. Title of the course (for bachelor and master students): “Steine, Pflanzen, Tiere: die naturphilosophische Welt von Albert dem Großen” (code number: 14213.0129).
- 30/11/2021 **Presenter** of the seminar “The *Meteorologica* tradition in Dante’s *Convivio*” at the “FoDoKo - Research Colloquium Wintersemester 2021/22” held at the Thomas-Institut (Universität zu Köln).
- 29/6/2021 **Presenter** of the seminar “*Come virtude in pietra da corpo nobilissimo celestiale*. The natural philosophy of Albertus Magnus in Dante’s *Convivio*” at the “FoDoKo - Research Colloquium Sommersemester 2021” held at the Thomas-Institut (Universität zu Köln-Germany).
- 30/6/2020 **Presenter** of the seminar “Albert the Great’s conception of alchemy in relation to other ‘practical sciences’” at the “FoDoKo - Research Colloquium Sommersemester 2020” held at the Thomas-Institut (Universität zu Köln-Germany).
- 19/12/2017 **Guest lecturer** (1 lesson of 2 hours - “Scienza araba per latini: Alberto Magno”) at the Università del Salento (in Prof. E. Rubino’s course “Storia della filosofia araba nel Medioevo” for bachelor students).

9. Organized academic events

- 15-16/11/2022 **Organizer** of the workshop “Medicine and Philosophy IV: Maladies of the soul” held at the Centre for Ancient and Medieval Philosophy-University Babes-Bolyai of Cluj-Napoca (Romania).
- 10-12/11/2016 **Co-organizer** of the international conference “*Doctor fundatissimus*: Egidio Romano, il suo pensiero e la sua influenza” held at the Università degli studi di Bari “Aldo Moro”.

10. Grants and Awards

- 10/2/2025 **MSCA Postdoctoral Global Fellowships 2024** (Award date). Project number and acronym: 101203119 AdVeCtio. Mark: 97,60%.
- 5/4/2024 **Postdoc research grant** at the Università di Milano – refused.
- 12-15/9/2023 **Grant** “Brepols-SIEPM Stipend” for the participation at the 27th Annual Colloquium della SIEPM “Medieval Debates on Foreknowledge: Future Contingents, Prophecy, and Divination” held at the Università di Trento (awarded by Brepols and SIEPM).
- 28/9/2022 **Award** “Premio di studio intitolato alla memoria di Pieter De Leemans” (mark 99/100). The call of the University of Turin awarded doctoral theses discussed in the period 2019-2021 which included the critical edition of medieval philosophical, scientific and theological texts.

- 14-16/10/2018 **Grant** for the participation at the conference “La medicina nel basso medioevo. Tradizioni e conflitti” held in Todi and organized by the Centro Italiano di Studi sul Basso Medioevo (awarded by the Centro Italiano di Studi sul Basso Medioevo).
- 10/2017-1/2018 **Grant** “a.r.t.e.s. international - for all” for supporting my stay at the Thomas Institut (Universität zu Köln) during my PhD (awarded by a.r.t.e.s. Graduate School for the Humanities Cologne).
- 3-9/9/2018 **Grant** for the participation at the Summer School and conference “Aristotle’s Metaphysics Yesterday and Today” held in Falconara and Palermo (organised and awarded by the Universität Luzern).
- 16-8/11/2016 **Grant** for the participation at the conference “Tradizioni botaniche tra antichità e medioevo” and organized by the GRAL of Pisa (awarded by the Centro Interuniversitario GRAL).
- 9/2011-6/2012 **ERASMUS grant**. ERASMUS stay at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven during my bachelor.

11. Institutional Responsibilities

- 6/2024-to date **Member of the examination commission** in History of Medieval Philosophy (Università del Salento).
- 6/2024-to date **Subject matter expert** (Cultore della materia) at the Università del Salento in the area of research: M-FIL/08 (Storia della filosofia medievale).
- 6/2020-to date **Subject matter expert** (Cultore della materia) at the Università di Torino in the areas of research: MFIL/07 (Storia della filosofia antica) and M-FIL/08 (Storia della filosofia medievale).

12. Memberships

- 11/2022-to date Member of the Societas Artistarum
- 2/2022-to date Member of SIEPM (Société internationale pour l’étude de la philosophie médiévale).
- 2/2022-to date Member of SISPM (Società italiana per lo studio del pensiero medievale).
- 10/2016-to date Member of CETEFIL (Centro per l’edizione di testi filosofici medievali e rinascimentali).

13. Language Skills

Modern languages: **Italian** (native speaker); **English** (fluent); **German** (good); **French** and **Spanish** (oral and written comprehension).

Ancient languages: **Latin** (excellent reading proficiency); **Greek** (basic reading proficiency).

14. Digital Skills

Microsoft office: Advanced user.

Adobe package: Advanced user (Adobe Acrobat, Indesign).