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Wednesday 13 February
20.30
Conference welcome gathering
Venue: Fiddler’s Elbow, via dell’Olmata, 43

Thursday 14 January
Sala Ambrogio, Dipartimento di Lingue, Letterature, e Culture Straniere, Via del Valco di San Paolo 19
9.00 Opening
Mario Panizza, Rettore, Università Roma Tre
Bobby McDonagh, Irish Ambassador to Italy
Luca Pietromarchi, Director, Dipartimento di Lingue, Letterature, e Culture Straniere
John McCourt, Director, Centro di Ricerca Interdipartimentale per gli Studi Irlandesi e Scozzesi

9.30 Plenary Lecture
Ben Levitas (Goldsmiths, University of London): Departures from the Script: Theatre, Performativity and the Irish Revolution

10.30 Coffee Break

10.45-12.45
Panel 1 Chair: Franca Ruggieri
Colin Reid (Northumbria University) Ancient Constitutionalism, Historical Consciousness and Separatist Political Language during the Irish Revolution, c.1912-22
Giulia Bruna (University College Dublin) Periodical Insurrections: Revival, Modernism and The Irish Review
Patrick Holloway (University of Glasgow) ‘September 1913’ and ‘Easter 1916’

12.45-14.00 Lunch
14.00-16.00
Panel 2 Chair: Richard Ambrosini
Claire M. Guerin (University College Cork) ‘Neurotic women and megalomaniac men’ or ‘speaking truths’? Rhetoric versus ideology in Irish anti-treaty propaganda, 1922-23
Brian Ward (Edinburgh) Writing the Rising – The Workers’ Republic and Connolly’s preparation for the Rising

Maciej Ruczaj (Charles University Prague) Does Kathleen Ni Houlihan Really Exist? Pearse, MacNeill and Carl Schmitt’s Theory of Representation
Michael Robinson (University of Liverpool) ‘The wrong war, fought in the wrong place, and against the wrong foe’: The effect of the Easter Rising on the post-war reception of disabled Irish Great War veterans, 1916-1922

16.00-16.15 Coffee Break

16.15-18.15 Panel 3 Chair: Michéal MacCraith
Giulia Negrello (Università di Udine) Woolf and the notion of Irish identity: an unexpected reflection on the Rising
Lisa Weihman (West Virginia University) Cracking the Modern Illusion: The Shelbourne Hotel, The Rising and Anglo-Irish Femininity
Kirsty Lusk (University of Glasgow) Scotland’s Revolutionary Voices: Nora Connolly O’Brien, Margaret Skinnider and the Women of 1916
Joan Fitzgerald (Sapienza, Università di Roma) ‘This is worth being wiped out for!’ Desmond and Mabel Fitzgerald’s Rising

18.15 Transfer to Villa Spada (Irish Embassy in Rome)

19.15 Plenary Lecture (at the Villa Spada)
Roy Foster (University of Oxford)

20.15 Buffet Reception hosted by His Excellency, Mr Bobby McDonagh, Irish Ambassador to Italy

Friday 15 January

9.30 Plenary Lecture
Roisin Higgins (Teesside University) Play for Tomorrow: the Easter Rising as present and future

10.30 - 10.45 Coffee Break

10.45-12.45 Panel 4 Chair: Maria Anita Stefanelli
Sylvie Mikowski (Université de Reims Champagne-Ardenne) Wherever motley is worn’: ambiguity and liminality in Iris Murdoch’s The Red and the Green (1965)
Stephen O’Neill (Trinity College Dublin) ‘all of Gandon left’: ruin and fiction after 1916
Derek Hand (St Patrick’s College, Dublin City University) ‘Phantasmagorical realities’: 3 novelistic responses to the Rising in work of Eimear O’Duffy, Iris Murdoch and Roddy Doyle
Matthew Kelly (University of Southampton) ‘Sense and shite’: Roddy Doyle’s historical revisionism

12.45-14.00 Lunch

14.00-16.00 Panel 5 Chair: Elisabetta D’Erme
Antonio Bibbò (University of Manchester) Images of Ireland in Italy in the 1910s
Caroline Elbay (Queen’s University Belfast) ‘Yous are all nicely shanghaied now’: Sean O’Casey and 1916
Barbara Renzi (Università Roma Tre) Contemporary Narratives of the Easter Rising: Belfast Streets and a Literary Outlook
Caomhie Nic Dháibhéid (University of Sheffield) Dreams from their Fathers: The Literary Projects of the Children of 1916

16.00-16.15 Coffee Break

16.15 Preview of Irish Film Festa’s special 1916 Event
Screening of the first episode of Colin Teevan’s new drama series for RTÉ, “Rebellion”. This will be followed by Q&A with Colin Teevan (Birkbeck, University of London).

18.00 Transfer to San Isidore’s Franciscan Irish College
19.00 Readings from the Rising with Micheál Mac Craith, John McCourt, Bobby McDonagh, Enrico Terrinoni

19.45 Reception and Music by The Shire (founding members of Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Éireann Italia)

20.30 Conference Dinner

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