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# L'ORIGINE DELLE COSE MONTESSORI NELLA SCUOLA DI OGGI

Congresso internazionale

Roma 25-26-27 settembre 2014



INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS  
**THE ORIGIN OF THINGS**  
MONTESSORI IN TODAY'S SCHOOL



Università di Roma Tor Vergata  
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## 25 September

### Sala Comunicazione - Ministry of Education (MIUR)

- 15.00 Speeches of authorities
  - *Opening of works*  
Carmela Palumbo, MIUR General Director for education systems and school autonomy
  - *Presentation of ONM journal "Vita dell'infanzia" renewed in contents and graphic layout*  
Benedetto Scoppola, ONM President, University of "Tor Vergata", Rome
  - *Maria Montessori archives: a resource for research*  
Carolina Montessori, Association Montessori Internationale, Amsterdam,  
Maria Montessori's great-granddaughter
  - *Brain and learning. The point of view of cognitive neurosciences*  
Manuela Piazza, Institut National de la Santé et de la Recherche Médicale (INSERM), Paris
  - *Montessori in Europe and in the world*  
Lynne Lawrence, Secretary General of the Association Montessori Internationale, Amsterdam
  - *The origin of man and the method of the child. Remarks for the future of education*  
Rita Scocchera, MIUR Technical Manager, ONM Board of Management
  - *Good evaluation and the Montessori Method*  
Paolo Mazzoli, Director of INVALSI
  - *A pedagogy of attention, a challenge for education*  
Raniero Regni, "LUMSA" University of Rome
- Chairs and concludes the works: Benedetto Scoppola

### 19.00 Aperitif at ONM building

- Presentation of the book by Isenarda De Napoli *From silence to music with the Montessori Method* (published by ONM)  
Speakers: the author of the book and Riccardo Giovannini, professor of Methodology of music education at LUMSA University.
- A Concert will follow with pieces by Puccini, Verdi, Saint Saens, Shostakovich held by Monica Cucca, soprano; Alessandro Fantini, tenor; Eszter Nagypal, violoncello; Isenarda De Napoli, piano.
- Dinner (catering at ONM)

## 26 September

### University of Tor Vergata, Lecturehall Pietro Gismondi

- 9.00 Speeches of the authorities
  - 9.30 *Paths of Maria Montessori's research*  
Paola Trabalzini: ONM  
"Augusto Scocchera Study Centre"
  - 10.15 *Neuro-cognitive start-up systems in mathematical cognition*  
Manuela Piazza, INSERM, Paris
- Coffee break
- 11.15 *The Montessori adolescent: a model for experience-based learning*  
Laura Marchioni: ONM  
"Augusto Scocchera Study Centre"
  - 12.00 Debate: Chairperson Franco Ghione,  
University of "Tor Vergata", Rome
  - 13.00 Lunch (catering at the University)

## 26 September

### University of Tor Vergata

- 14.00 *Psychomathematics*  
Benedetto Scoppola, ONM President, University of "Tor Vergata", Rome
- 14.45 *Specific learning disorders and the Montessori Method*  
Annamaria Bianconi, ONM "Augusto Scocchera Study Centre"
- 15.30 *The Montessori mathematical proposal for adolescents*  
Mike Waski: Montessori High School, University Circle of Cleveland
- 16.15 *For the widest promotion of the scientific culture in Italy*  
Luigi Berlinguer: President of the Committee for the development of scientific and technologic culture
- 17.00-18.00 Debate: Chairperson Franco Ghione

## 27 September

### LUMSA University, Lecturehall I and IV

- 9.00 *The key issues of training: poster session and panel discussion*  
*Presentation of Italian and international Montessori cases*  
Chairs of the poster session: Benedetto Scoppola, Paola Trabalzini
- 10.30 Video-conferencing presentation by Grazia Honegger Fresco, Centro Nascita Montessori  
Management Board

#### Panel discussion:

- Doriana Allegri, Responsible for technical-pedagogical  
Coordination of municipal and private Infancy Services  
of the Municipality of Genoa
- Patrizia Enzi, ONM "Augusto Scocchera  
Study Centre"
- Daniela Franchini, ONM "Augusto Scocchera  
Study Centre"
- Baiba Krumins Grazzini, Director of Education  
at the International Centre for Montessori  
Studies Foundation of Bergamo
- Daniele Motta, Primary School  
teacher in Bressanone, Montessori  
teachers' trainer
- Mike Wasky, Montessori High School  
teacher

Chairs the debate: Elide M. Taviani ONM "Augusto Scocchera Study Centre"

Closing remarks: Giuseppe Tognon, LUMSA University

- 13.00 Closing of works: Benedetto Scoppola

People attending the Congress, thanks to the cooperation of the 7<sup>th</sup> Montessori School of Rome and the Rome Montessori Association, will have the opportunity to visit the first Children's House in Via dei Marsi 58 on Thursday 25 September from 10.00 am to 12.00 pm.

ONM thank Prof. Carlo Felice Casula, Director of the Historical Museum of didactics of "Roma TRE" University of Rome for making available the exhibition panels "Birth and dissemination of the 'Children's Houses' in Italy from 1907 to 1916". Special thanks go to Dr. Giovanna Alatri, curator of the exhibition and member of ONM Study Centre.

