Seminar

Global interdependence and the crisis of democracy
Aldo Moro’s vision, George L. Mosse’s interpretation

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10.00–10.30 OPENING

Chair
SEBASTIANO CARDI Permanent Representative of Italy at the United Nations

Welcome addresses
- STEFANO ALBERTINI Director of Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò, New York University, USA
- SKYE DONEY Director of the George L. Mosse Program in History at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA
- FRANCESCO GENUARDI, Consul General of Italy in New York

10.30–1.30 ROUNDTABLE AND DISCUSSION

Participants
- ALFONSO ALFONSI President, Accademia di Studi Storici Aldo Moro, Italy
- GIULIANA CHAMESDES Professor of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA
- RENATO MORO Professor of History, Università degli Studi Roma Tre, Italy
- GABRIELE QUINTI Director of Knowledge and Innovation research center, Italy
- NADIA URBINATI Professor of Political Theory, Columbia University in the City of New York, USA

Concluding Remarks:
DAVID FORGACS, Chair of Department of Italian Studies, New York University
THE SEMINAR

The occasion for the seminar is the recent republication in Italy, and the forthcoming publication in English, of historian George L. Mosse’s *Interview on Aldo Moro*, conducted by Alfonso Alfonsi in January 1979, just eight months after Moro’s assassination.

According to Mosse, Moro offered an original approach to the recurrent crises of participation and consensus that parliamentary democracies began to face after World War Two, as mass societies developed and global interdependence increased. Moro, as Mosse put it, strove to “broaden the basis of the system of parliamentary government to take account of the nature of modern mass politics”.

The seminar will begin by outlining Aldo Moro’s views on this subject, as Mosse interpreted them. It will then move to a discussion of the new challenges faced today by parliamentary democracies, including the rise of various forms of authoritarian populism. The seminar will have a multidisciplinary character, reflecting the different angles from which these issues can be approached.
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