

Curriculum Vitae **Stefano MARRAS, Ph.D.**

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General Profile

Academic Research in Social Sciences (Urban Studies, Visual Studies, Refugee Studies)
Documentary Photography
International Cooperation

Education

- Sept. 2005 - Jul. 2008* **Ph.D. in European Urban and Local Studies (URBEUR)**
Department of Sociology and Social Research, University of Milano-Bicocca – Milan (Italy)
Research focus: Urban Studies, Refugee Studies
Dissertation: "Asylum Seekers, Temporary Protection Holders and Refugees in Milan."
- Sep. 1999 - Jul. 2004* **Laurea (B.A. + M.A.) in Sociology**
Faculty of Sociology, University of Milano-Bicocca – Milan (Italy)
Majors: Cinema Studies and Cultural Geography
Thesis: "Jerusalem. The Sacred Space and its Representation in Israeli-Jewish Cinema."

Professional, Research and Teaching Experience

- Sep. 2011 – Aug. 2013* **Research Fellow**
Department of Sociology and Social Research, University of Milano-Bicocca - Milan (Italy), in collaboration with Expo Milano 2015 S.p.A.
- Sep. 2010 – Jun. 2011* **Fulbright Research Scholar**
Department of Sociology, New York University – New York City (U.S.A.)
Research Project: "Real Clichés: Construction of New York(ers) in Documentary Photography (Introducing a Visual Ethnomethodological Approach)"
- Oct. 2005 – July 2010* **Research Assistant**
Department of Sociology and Social Research, University of Milano-Bicocca - Milan (Italy)
Supervisor: Prof. Marina Calloni (Full Professor of Social and Political Philosophy)
Research Projects:
- 2009 - 2010* • "Western Political Imaginaries. The European Union as a Space of Opportunity or as a Fortress?" (Research Programs of Relevant National Interest, PRIN 2003-2005).
Main duties: Socio-visual enquiries on the EU's eastern border.
 - 2009* • "Does a Women's Political Elite Exist? Analysis on Women's Presence within the Italian Parliament, from 1948 to Nowadays" (FAR 2009).
Main duties: Statistical data collection, entry, analysis and processing.
 - 2007 – 2008* • "Solidarity, Humanitarianism, and Collective Memory: Europe Before Itself and Other Cultures" (Research Programs of Relevant National Interest, PRIN 2005-2007).
Main duties: Multimedia research and production.
 - 2005 – 2007* • "Genocide and Crimes of War. Which Role for Humanitarian Action and International Community?" (Research Programs of Relevant National Interest, PRIN 2003-2005).
Main duties: Multimedia research and production.

Apr. - Sept. 2008 **Head of Project and GIS Specialist**

Map Kibera Project (www.mapkiberaproject.org) - Nairobi (Kenya)

Main duties: Mapping the physical and socio-demographic features of the informal settlement of Kibera through the use of GIS.

2007-2008-2009-2010 **Adjunct Professor**

Faculty of Sociology, University of Milano-Bicocca – Milan (Italy)

Course: "The Making of Multimedia Cultural Events."

2005 - 2010 Member of the **Visual Research Center** working group

Department of Sociology and Social Research
University of Milano-Bicocca - Milan (Italy)

Main duties:

- Multimedia and video production
- Teaching Assistant of video editing theory and techniques

Apr. - Oct. 2006 **Intern**

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) – Rome (Italy)

Main duties:

- Protection Office: Analysis on migration flows from Africa to Europe
- External Relations Office: Press Office Assistant

Jan. - Apr. 2005 **Intern**

Italian Embassy in Khartoum (Sudan)

Main duties: Research on the Sudanese Higher Education system.

Scientific Publications

Marras, S. (up coming) "Map Kibera Project. Combining GIS, 3D, and Internet for a more Comprehensive, Comprehensible, and Common Spatial Knowledge of Informal Settlements". *Territorio*, Franco Angeli.

Marras, S. 2010. "Cliché reali: new york(ers) nel circolo ermeneutico della fotografia documentaria." *Città in controluce*, n. 17-18, Settembre 2010: 147-165

Marras S. 2009. "Falsi rifugiati? Pratiche di etichettamento di richiedenti asilo alla frontiera." *Mondi Migranti*, 3/2009: 83-101.

Marras S., "Higher Education Paths and Occupational Perspectives of University Students in Sudan" (Under review)

Other Publications

Marras S. 2010. "Map Kibera Project. Risultati e analisi dalla prima mappatura indipendente della baraccopoli di Kibera." *Lotus* 143.

Calloni M., Marras S., Serughetti G., 2010 "Richiedenti asilo: i 'nuovi italiani' mancati." *Reset*, Gennaio/Febbraio 2010, pp.78-85.

Research Reports

2008 *Outcomes and Analysis from the Mapping of the Kibera Slum in Nairobi.*
Addressee: Province of Milan - International Cooperation Office (Italy)

2007 *Pratiche di attraversamento della frontiera di Richiedenti Asilo all'Aeroporto Internazionale di Milano-Malpensa (Border Crossing of Asylum Seekers at the Milano-Malpensa International Airport.)*
Addressee: Prefect of Varese (Italy)

2005 *Sudanese Higher Education System. Survey on Sudanese Students' Educational Strategies and Occupational Perspectives.*
Addressee: Italian Embassy in Khartoum (Sudan)

Multimedia Production

- 2005 - 2010 Photographic works in Sudan, Kenya, Paris, New York, Eastern Europe (www.stefanorobertomarras.com)
- 2009 Multimedia Cd-Rom "Umanitarismo e Comunità Internazionale" in Calloni M., (editor), *Umanizzare l'Umanitarismo? Limiti e Potenzialità della Comunità Internazionale*. UTET.
- 2006 Multimedia Cd-Rom "Perchè Genocidi e Crimini di Guerra? Un dibattito tra sopravvissuti, giornalisti e studiosi", (Multimedia Cd-Rom) in Calloni M., (editor), *Violenza senza legge. Genocidi e crimini di guerra nell'età globale*. UTET.

Conferences

- 2010 Marras S., "Real Clichés: New York(ers) in the Hermeneutic Circle of Documentary Photography (Introducing a Visual Ethnomethodological Approach)". Presented at the IVSA 2010 Conference "Thinking, Doing and Publishing Visual Research: The State of the Field?", Bologna, July 20th-22nd 2010
- 2010 Marras S., Serughetti G., Anzoise V., Mutti C., "Paura, Vigilanza, Stereotipi e barriere. Proposte per un'Analisi Sociologica e Visuale della Rappresentazione e Costruzione dell'Altro". Presented at the International Conference "L'Europa delle Minoranze: diritti fondamentali, istruzione e buone pratiche contro la discriminazione", Bologna, June 24th 2010
- 2008 Marras S., "Reflections on Research-Action Practices in the Slum of Kibera (Nairobi)". Presented at the International Conference "Diritti e culture: conflitti o interazione?", Milan, October 13th-14th, 2008.
- 2006 Marras S., "The Urban Refuge. Political and Media Discourse on Sub-Saharan Refugees in Milan". Presented at the International Conference "Urban Conditions and Life Chances", Amsterdam July 6th-8th 2006.

Awards

- 2010 Fulbright Research Scholarship
Awarded by: U.S.-Italy Fulbright Commission and J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.
- 2008 Research Grant "Dote Ricercatori"
Awarded by: Regione Lombardia
- 2005 MAE-CRUI Internship
Awarded by: Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MAE) and Conference of Italian University Rectors (CRUI).
- 2003 - 2004 Resident Fellowship
Awarded by: Collegio di Milano, College of Excellence

Professional Memberships

International Visual Sociology Association (IVSA)

Personal Skills

Languages Mother tongue Italian
Other languages English *Fluent (IBT TOEFL Score: 102/120)*
French *Fluent*
Spanish *Basic*

Computer Skills

- SPSS (statistical analysis)
- ESRI ArcGIS, QGIS, Global Mapper (georeferenced analysis)
- Adobe Photoshop (image editing)
- Adobe Premiere Pro (audio-visual editing)
- Micromedia Flash (web and multimedia design)

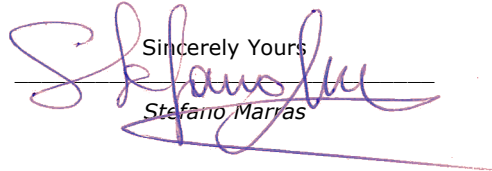
- 3D Studio Max (3D digital modeling)

Artistic Skills Photography, audio-video editing, free-hand and technical drawing

- Social Skills*
- Very good aptitude to work in international and culturally diversified contexts
 - Very good adaptability to harsh and uncomfortable environments

- Organizational Skills*
- Good team worker and team manager but also independent with quite good self organizing skills
 - Ability to carry out demanding assignments in time constraints

Milan, September 21st, 2011

Sincerely Yours

Stefano Marras