



For a Religious History of Kindness

Dedicated to the memory of Luca Bossi

21 October 2025 | 11:00 - 18:00

Aula Matassi
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In presence and online

PROGRAMME

11.00 | *Opening*

Maria Chiara Giorda, Valeria Fabretti, Roberta Ricucci, Mauro Beano, Maria Cecilia Rivoira

I. Disciplinary perspectives

Chair: Angelica Federici, University of Rome "Roma Tre"

11.20 | *For a history and a future of the studies on kindness*

Maria Chiara Giorda, University of Rome "Roma Tre"

11.40 | *How kindness took a hold*

Julie Brownlie and **Simon Anderson**, University of Edinburgh – Simon Anderson Consulting

12.00 | *Active Kindness: Beyond Civility and Politeness*

Paolo Costa, Bruno Kessler Foundation

12.20 | *Kindness and the anthropology of hospitality*

Francesco Spagna, University of Padova

12.40 | Discussion

13.10 | Lunch

II. Space, History and Kindness

Chair: Giulia Massenz, Politecnico di Torino International University

14.00 | *Infrastructures of Kindness: A Pathway to an Open City*

Sandro Cattacin and **Fiorenza Gamba**, University of Geneva

14.20 | *From respectful to kind interactions. On pluralism in the urban space*

Valeria Fabretti, Bruno Kessler Foundation

14.40 | *Grace and Gift among Romanian Orthodox Christians*

Giuseppe Tateo, University of Rome "Roma Tre"

15.00 | Discussion

15.30 | *Kind Places? Forms of Worship between Urban Inclusion and Marginalisation*

Silvia Omenetto, University of Rome "Sapienza" - Singapore Management University

15.50 | *Affability and Friendship in the Works of Battista da Crema (c. 1460 -1534)*

Andrea Vanni, University of Rome "Roma Tre"

16.10 | *The noble testamentary bequests to the female conservatories in Rome*

Emma Pietroletti, University of Rome "Roma Tre"

16.30 | Discussion

17.00 | Conclusive remarks

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