

# MARCO STORNI

## *curriculum vitae*

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### **Profile**

Marco Storni (born 1990, Italian citizenship). 2012: B.A. Philosophy, University of Milan. 2014: M.A. Philosophy, University of Milan. Since 2014: Ph.D. Philosophy, USR 3608, École Normale Supérieure, Paris, and FILCOM, University of Bologna. AOC: Early modern philosophy and science, intellectual history. AOS: French Enlightenment, Newtonian studies.

### **Education**

(2016-2017, summer) Visiting PhD student. Department of Philosophy, University of Montréal. Supervisor: Christian Leduc.

(2014-ongoing) PhD student. Joint-PhD program: USR 3806, République des Savoirs, École Normale Supérieure/PSL, Paris, and Department of Philosophy and Communication, University of Bologna. Project title: *Maupertuis and His Critics: Texts and Controversies* (in French). Supervisors: Sophie Roux (ENS), Mariafranca Spallanzani (Bologna).

(2012-2014) MA, Department of Philosophy, University of Milan. Final dissertation: *On the Eighteenth-Century Scientific Quarrels: Maupertuis, Basset des Rosiers, and the Others* (in English). Supervisor: Elio Nenci. Adjoint supervisor: Gianfranco Mormino. Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*.

(2013-2014, fall) Exchange student, Erasmus program. Institute of Philosophy, KU Leuven.

(2009-2012) BA, Department of Philosophy, University of Milan. Final dissertation: *Maupertuis's Vénus physique and the Problem of Animal Generation in the Eighteenth Century* (in Italian). Supervisor: Elio Nenci. Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*.

## **Grants**

(2016) ENS, ED 540. Grant for conference organization, awarded on a competitive basis.

(2016-2017) PSL. Ph.D. additional grant to teach at CPES.

(2015-2018) Île-de-France. Scholarship for international mobility.

(2015) ENS, USR 3806. Travel grant for conference attendance.

(2015-2016) PSL. Ph.D. additional grant to join the program *Perspectives*.

(2014-2017) PSL Research University. Ph.D. scholarship.

(2013-2014) University of Milan. Erasmus scholarship, 5 months.

(2013) University of Milan. EILC intensive language course, HUB Brussels.

## **Languages**

(1) Italian: native speaker

(2) English and (3) French: fluent

(4) Spanish and (5) German: beginner

(6) Latin and (7) Ancient Greek: reading knowledge

## **Teaching**

(2016-2017, fall) CPES, Paris Sciences et Lettres. *History and philosophy of science* (undergraduate, in French).

(2016-2017, fall) CPES, Paris Sciences et Lettres. *Introduction to the methodology of scientific research* (undergraduate, in French).

### **Papers (\* = refereed):**

1. "La stratégie rhétorique de Maupertuis dans la controverse sur la forme de la Terre", *Désordres, débats et discordances à l'époque moderne*, Hermann, Paris, 20xx (forthcoming).
2. "Maupertuis et la science de la musique", *Annales de Bretagne et des Pays de l'Ouest*, 123-1, 2016, pp. 157-178.\*
3. "Scienza della vita e materialismo in Maupertuis (1745-1754)", *Quaderni Materialisti*, 12, 2015 [2012/13], pp. 125-135.

### **Organisation**

1. Co-organiser with L. Rouillé (ENS) of a reading group on Berkeley's *Principles of Human Knowledge*. École Normale Supérieure, Paris (2016-2017, fall).
2. Organiser of the international workshop *Philosophie et mathématiques au tournant du XVIIIe siècle: perspectives nouvelles*. École Normale Supérieure, Paris (30.09.2016).
3. Co-organiser with L. Paulizzi (ENS) and G. Margiotto (Neuchâtel) of the international workshop *Philosophie du langage et langage de la philosophie. Le philosophique face au langage ordinaire, du XVIIe au XXe siècle*. École Normale Supérieure, Paris (03.06.2016).
4. Co-organiser with J.-D. Thumser (ENS) of the annual doctoral seminar *Les mathématiques et le monde*, École Normale Supérieure, Paris (10.2015-05.2016). Videos of all presentations available on YouTube.

### **Conference presentations (\* = refereed)**

1. "Du Châtelet on Newtonian Attraction". International conference *Époque Émilienne. Philosophy and Science from 1700-1750*. Paderborn University (06.04.2017).
2. "Maupertuis on Metaphysical Experiences". International conference *Conceptions of Experience in the German Enlightenment between Wolff and Kant*. KU Leuven (24.02.2017).\*
3. "La pensée de Maupertuis est-elle incohérente?". Graduate conference *Premières Doctoriales de l'ED540*. École Normale Supérieure, Paris (22.10.2016).
4. "Mathématisme philosophique et langage algébrique entre Wolff et Maupertuis". International workshop *Philosophie et mathématiques au tournant du XVIIIe siècle: perspectives nouvelles*. École Normale Supérieure, Paris (30.09.2016).
5. "Newton in France: The Controversy over the Earth's Shape". International conference *'Feeding on the nectar of the gods': Appropriations of Isaac Newton's thought, ca. 1700-1750*. Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels (05.07.2016).\*

6. "Mathématisme philosophique et langage algébrique entre Wolff et Maupertuis". International workshop *Philosophie du langage et langage de la philosophie*. École Normale Supérieure, Paris (03.06.2016).
7. "Newton versus Descartes: The Controversy over the Earth's Shape". Franco-American Workshop, jointly organized by Princeton University and the École Normale Supérieure. Princeton University (19.05.2016).
8. "Systematic Thought and the Early French Enlightenment". Graduate conference *Histories of failed synthesis*. University of Turin (13.11.2015).\*
9. "Maupertuis's Argument for Newtonianism". *Bucharest Colloquium in Early Modern Science*. Institute for Research in the Humanities, University of Bucharest (7.11.2015).\*
10. "Maupertuis's Argument for Newtonianism: Between Logic and Rhetoric". Workshop on eighteenth-century natural philosophy and physics, organized by S. Ducheyne. Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels (16.09.2015).
11. "La stratégie rhétorique de Maupertuis dans la controverse sur la forme de la Terre". XV<sup>e</sup> colloque "Jeunes chercheurs" du Cercle Interuniversitaire d'Études sur la République des Lettres (CIERL) *Désordres, débats et discordances à l'époque moderne (XV<sup>e</sup>-XVIII<sup>e</sup> siècles)*. Université de Sherbrooke (15.05.2015).\*
12. "Life Science and Materialism in Maupertuis. The Years 1745-1754", HIW 4<sup>th</sup> Graduate Student Conference. Institute of Philosophy, KU Leuven (28.03.2014).\*

### **Seminar presentations**

1. "*Virtus, recludens immeritis mori cælum, negata tentat iter via*: Bernoulli critique de Newton critique de Descartes". Doctoral seminar *Philologie(s) de l'avenir*. École Normale Supérieure, Paris (15.12.2016).
2. "Qu'est-ce qu'être cartésien au XVIII<sup>e</sup> siècle ?". Research seminar *Le mardi de Rothko*. UMR 7219, laboratoire SPHERE, University Paris 7 Diderot (29.11.2016).
3. "*Le premier qui ait osé parmi nous se déclarer ouvertement newtonien: il Discorso sulle figure degli astri* di Maupertuis". Permanent seminar (SeRiC) of the Department of Philosophy and Communication, Università di Bologna (14.06.2016).
4. "Newton en France: la controverse sur la forme de la Terre". Annual meeting of the research team La République des Savoirs-USR 3608. École Normale Supérieure, Paris (08.06.2016).

5. "Étude de cas *versus* longue durée: problèmes de méthode en histoire des sciences et de la philosophie". Doctoral seminar *Philosophie française contemporaine*. École Normale Supérieure, Paris (17.02.2016).
6. "Some Considerations on the Relationship between Physics and Metaphysics, with an Example from the Eighteenth-Century Debate on Newtonian Attraction as an Inherent Property of Matter". *OntoForMat* Metaphysical Seminar. University of Milan (19.11.2015).
7. "*Mos geometricus* et mathématisation philosophique dans la première moitié du XVIII<sup>e</sup> siècle: le débat allemand". Doctoral seminar *Les mathématiques et le monde*. École Normale Supérieure, Paris (15.10.2015).
8. "Ressemblance, hérédité et calcul de probabilités dans la science de la vie de Maupertuis". Colloque de physique *Fondements et notions fondamentales*. École de physique, UCL Louvain-la-Neuve (26.05.2014).

### Book reviews

1. Recensione di [L. Basso, *Agire in comune. Antropologia e politica nell'ultimo Marx*, Verona, Ombre Corte, 2012], *Quaderni Materialisti*, 11, 2015 [2012/13], pp. 223-228.
2. Recensione di [G. Cambiano, M. Mori, *Storia della filosofia contemporanea*, Roma Bari, Laterza, 2014], *ReF-Recensioni Filosofiche/ISSN 1826-4654*, 94 (12.2014-01.2015).
3. Recensione di [F. Cerrato, *Un secolo di passioni e politica. Hobbes, Descartes, Spinoza*, Roma, DeriveApprodi, 2012], *ReF-Recensioni Filosofiche / ISSN 1826-4654*, 86 (02.2014).
4. Recensione di [G. Cosmacini, M. Menghi, *Galeno e il galenismo. Scienza e idee della salute*, Milano, FrancoAngeli, 2011], *ReF-Recensioni Filosofiche/ISSN 1826-4654*, 80 (06-07.2013).
5. Recensione di [N. Guicciardini, *Newton*, Roma, Carocci, 2011], *ReF-Recensioni Filosofiche/ISSN1826-4654*, 79 (05.2013).
6. Recensione di [D. Sedley, *Creazionismo. Il dibattito antico da Anassagora a Galeno*, Roma, Carocci, 2012], *ReF-Recensioni Filosofiche/ISSN 1826-4654*, 77 (03.2013).
7. Recensione di [F. Schuon, *Avoir un centre*, Paris, L'Harmattan, 2010], *Lo Sguardo-Rivista Elettronica di Filosofia/ISSN 2036-6558*, 10, 2012 (III), pp. 289-292.
8. Recensione di [M. Priarolo, *Il determinismo. Storia di un'idea*, Roma, Carocci, 2011], *ReF-Recensioni Filosofiche/ISSN 1826-4654*, 70 (06.2012).
9. Recensione di [D. Bolognesi, S. Mattarelli (a cura di), *L'Illuminismo e i suoi critici*, Milano, FrancoAngeli, 2011], *ReF-Recensioni Filosofiche/ISSN 1826-4654*, 66 (02.2012).

10. Recensione di [P. Cipolletta, *Emozioni e pratiche filosofiche. Elisabetta del palatinato 'consulta' Cartesio*, Milano-Udine, Mimesis, 2011], *ReF-Recensioni Filosofiche/ISSN 1826-4654*, 65 (01.2012).

### **Translations**

1. A. Johnston, "Questo è marxismo ortodosso: la comune *Weltanschauung* materialistica di Marx ed Engels", from ["This is orthodox Marxism: The Shared Materialist *Weltanschauung* of Marx and Engels", *The Human Animal in Politics, Science, and Psychoanalysis*, Berlin, KW Institute for Contemporary Art, 2011], *Quaderni Materialisti*, 11, 2015 [2012/13] (co-authored with G. Longa), pp. 53-69.
2. R. J. Roeklein, "I *Discorsi* di Machiavelli. La nascita del neo-epicureismo", from ["Machiavelli's *Discourses*. The Birth of Neo-Epicureanism", in *Machiavelli and Epicureanism. An Investigation into the Origins of Early Modern Political Thought*, Lexington Books, Plymouth, 2012, 115-165], *Lo Sguardo-Rivista Elettronica di Filosofia/ISSN 2036-6558*, 12, 2013 (III), pp. 23-36.

### **Other writings**

1. "Maupertuis and Experimental Philosophy". Invited guest post on the blog *Early Modern Experimental Philosophy* of the University of Otago.

### **Editorial boards**

(2016-) Vice director of the philosophical journal *ReF-Recensioni Filosofiche/ISSN 1826-4654*.

### **Memberships**

(2015-2017) Member of the European Hobbes Society.

(2015-2016) Member of the International Society for the History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Biology (ISHPSSB).

### **Other activities**

(2015-2018) Member of the scientific committee of the doctoral school ED 540 “École doctorale transdisciplinaire lettres/sciences”, École Normale Supérieure, Paris. Elected by other doctoral students.

(2013-2015) Member of the organizing committee of the festival of philosophy *FilosofArti*, based in Gallarate, Italy.

## **References**

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