

# University Academic Curriculum Vitae



## **Domenico Cortese**

**Place of birth: Tropea, Italy (01 – 10 – 1987)**

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### **Education:**

- PhD in Philosophy

University of Dundee, UK, February 2017

Concentrations: Contemporary Philosophy, Applied Ethics, Neo-pragmatism, Deconstructionism

Dissertation: “Authorities and naturalness beyond neo-pragmatism and deconstructionism. Optimization of economic distribution and well-being as going beyond dialectical failures”.

Dissertation supervisors: Prof. James Williams, Dr. Dominic Smith, Prof. Matthias Klaes.

- Italian Academic two year M.A. Degree, Philosophical Sciences, Università della Calabria, Cosenza, Italy, July 2012.

Concentrations: Phenomenology, Contemporary Philosophy, Applied Ethics, Theoretical Philosophy

Thesis: “The incoherent experience. Phenomenology and philosophies of authenticity between Heidegger and Derrida”. Thesis supervisor: Prof. Pio Colonnello

- Italian Academic three year Bachelor Degree, Philosophy and Human Sciences, Università della Calabria, Cosenza, Italy, October 2009.

Concentrations: Phenomenology, Contemporary Philosophy, Post-structuralism, Theoretical Philosophy

Thesis: “The efficacy of undecidable. Reflections about ethics and Jacques Derrida. Thesis supervisor”: Prof. Francesco Garritano.

### **Experience in academic teaching**

Recent experiences in giving lectures:

- Giving classes within Prof. Pierangelo Dacrema’ course “Economy of financial intermediaries” (University of Calabria, Master Degree in Business Management, 2017-2018). Title of the seminar: *Debt as an ethical category. Individualism and «collectivism» in credit allocation.*
- Giving classes within Prof. James Williams’ undergraduate and master courses in 2014 and 2015, in which the concept of authority in relation to economic issues has been developed;
- Taking part in all Postgraduate Conferences and ‘Work in Progress’ presentations in Philosophy available during PhD studies in the School of Humanities at the University of Dundee.

### **Professional Membership and Partnership**

- American Philosophical Association (APA)
- A/simmetrie. Italian association for the study of economic asymmetries.
- Member of the Editorial Review Committee of *L'inconscio. Rivista Italiana di Filosofia e Psicoanalisi.*

- Private consultant for *Serendebity*, society using the method of the analysis of debtors' psychological and social distress to set up a plan and an agreement between the parts in order to solve a serious debt situation.

Academic Blog Editor: <http://www.filosofiadeldesito.it/>

## **Field of interests**

Hermeneutics, Existentialism, Phenomenology, Deconstructionism, Post-structuralism, Neo-pragmatism, German Idealism, Philosophy of economics, Financial ethics

## **Honors, Research and Scholarship:**

- AHRC Funded Scholarships for PhD Study, Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) / University of Dundee: 2013-2016; 4500£ per year
- Philosophy Postgraduate Essay Competition (University of Dundee), First Prize: 2014, 2015 and 2016.
- Award assigned by the provincial administration of Cosenza and by the committee of University of Calabria due to the quality of the Master thesis work, Palazzo della Provincia, Cosenza, 2012; 1500€
- Special appreciation by the graduation committee for the Master thesis work, Università della Calabria, 2012
- Summa cum laude, Italian M. Degree, Università della Calabria, 2012
- Full marks evaluation for the Bachelor thesis work by the committee, Università della Calabria, 2009
- Full marks, Italian Bachelor Degree, Università della Calabria, 2009

## **Publications**

Liberismo e decisione politica. L'idea di amico e nemico nella propaganda autonomista Scozzese e Veneta / Domenico Cortese; *Historia Magistra. Rivista di Storia Critica* (2018). Issue 25.

The dominion of means over ends. Modern bank credit and Max Weber's irrational rationalization / Domenico Cortese; *The Journal of Philosophical Economics* (2017). X: 2, 65-101.  
<https://jpe.ro/pdf.php?id=7789>

Filosofie del 'più Europa': Sovranismo di Coscienza e Sovranismo Scientifico / Domenico Cortese; *Giornale Critico di Storia delle Idee* (2017), Numero 1, 2017.

Credit granting, Ponzi scheme and currency exchange rate as ethical issues. An Hegelian perspective on the ingredients of an economic crisis / Domenico Cortese; *Ramon Llull Journal of Applied Ethics*, Issue 8 (2017).

Logics of agreement – Quine's naturalism between pragmatism and a Derridean impasse / Domenico Cortese; *Bollettino Filosofico*, Vol. 29 (2014).  
<http://www.bollettinofilosofico.unina.it/index.php/bolfilos/article/viewFile/2845/4457>

Responsibility and Restricted Economies / Domenico Cortese; *The Bounds of Responsibility*, Interdisciplinary Press, Edited by Tadeusz Lewandowski and Elisabeta Gabriela Ilie (2014) (All existing titles, both paperback and eBook, are in the process of being transferred to Brill).

Richard Rorty and the transcendental paradox / Domenico Cortese; *Segni e Comprensione*, Issue 80 (2013). [http://www.segniecomprensione.it/files/segni\\_n\\_80.pdf](http://www.segniecomprensione.it/files/segni_n_80.pdf)

### **Conference Presentations**

“Constitution and political power. Carl Schmitt’s concept of ‘enemy’ revisited”, Speech given at the conference *The Good Society and its Limits: Contemporary Challenges to Ethico-Political Legitimation and Grounding*, held at the Jesuit University Ignatianum in Kraków on December the 14<sup>th</sup> 2017.

“Self-awareness and the structure of authority. Doing justice to the Other as a political aporia”, Speech given at the 14th International Conference on Persons; 24-27 May 2017, University of Calabria.

“The dominion of means over ends. Modern bank credit and Max Weber’s irrational rationalization”. Speech given at Iises 29th International Academic Conference held in Rome in April 2017.

“Phenomenology of authority. The formation of the Other as a political aporia”, Speech given at The Fifth Euroacademia International Conference held in Rome in December 2016.

“Models of economic sovereignty -beyond Bataille's *dépense*”, Speech given at PG conference at University of Dundee (May 2016).

“An Ethically Sustainable Financial System. The Concept of Credit in the Perspective of the Hegelian Dialectic”, Speech given at the European Philosophy Joint Conference 2015 held in Dundee.

“Social progress as a fight against the principle of equivalence. Toward an ethically sustainable form of enterprise and credit”, Speech given at the Fifth Asian Conference on Ethics, Religion & Philosophy held in Osaka in March 2015.

“The incoherent experience. Phenomenology and philosophies of authenticity between Heidegger and Derrida”, Speech given at PG conference at University of Dundee (May 2014).

“Responsibility and Restricted Economies”, Paper presented at the conference "Living Responsibly: the Ethical Issues of Everyday Life", held in Lisbon in May 2014 (<http://www.inter-disciplinary.net/about-us>), <http://www.inter-disciplinary.net/probing-the-boundaries/persons/ethics-everyday-life/conference-programme-abstracts-and-papers/>.

### **Seminar Presentations**

“Debt and money. Blockchain as a solution to gambling economy”, Speech given at the conference Internet of Things e Blockchain: analisi interdisciplinare, University of Calabria, 28 March 2018.

“Money as a commodity or money as social energy?”, in “Monetary Expansion for the Future Cohesion of the European People”, seminar held in Florence at Palazzo Vecchio (November 2017) <http://www.liquiditàdistribuita.it/2017/11/11/convegno-espansione-monetaria-per-la-coesione-dei-popoli-europei/>.

### **Administrative experience**

Hotel director (*B&B Vanity Hotel*, Tropea), 2017.

### **Language Competence:**

Italian native speaker

Fluent in English (Ielts certification 2013: B2; Estimated Proficiency after PhD experience: C1)

Basic knowledge of German

### **Referees:**

– Prof. Pio Colonnello, Theoretical Philosophy and Philosophical Propaedeutics Professor and President of the course of Philosophy at the Università della Calabria; Visiting Professor at the Universidad Autónoma de México, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (Ciudad de México) and California State University – Northridge – Los Angeles.

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– Dr. Luca Lupo, Researcher and Assistant Professor in Moral Philosophy and Applied Ethics at the University of Calabria, member of the Interdepartmental Centre for Nietzsche Studies for Nineteenth and Twentieth-Century Studies at the University of Salento, the Seminario permanente nietzscheano and the Groupe International de Recherches sur Nietzsche.

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