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# **Project 'A tale of two twinned cities : Corato and Grenoble'**

Summary and prospects of the project following the zoom meeting with the Scientific Monitoring Committee on 21 October 2022

# Members of our scientific monitoring committee (October 2022)

- Biagio Salvemini: full professor of modern history at the University Aldo Moro of Bari (chairman)
- Leonardo Casalino, professor of modern and contemporary Italian civilisation, Laboratoire Universitaire Histoire Cultures Italie Europe (LUHCIE) of the University of Grenoble.
- Anne-Marie Granet-Abisset, professor of contemporary history at the University of Grenoble Alpes and delegated director of UMR5190 of LARHRA (Rhône-Alpes historical research laboratory)
- Philippe Hanus, coordinator of the ethnopole "Migrations, frontiers, memories", scientific coordinator of Réseau Mémorha, research associate at LARHRA and PACTE
- Stéphane Mourlane, lecturer in contemporary history, Aix Marseille University
- Matteo Sanfilippo, Professor of Modern History, University of Viterbo, coordinator of the journals "Studi Emigrazione" and "Archivio storico dell'emigrazione italiana"
- Eric Vial, Professor of Contemporary History, University of Cergy-Paris
- Catherine Virlouvet, professor emeritus, University of Aix Marseille, former director (2011-2019) of the Ecole Française de Rome

## • Summary and prospects (1)

1) Role of the scientific monitoring committee :

- To make the link between the collection of sources (including those of a genealogical nature) and scientific study: to find 'scientific' users willing to use the resources gathered by the project

- To make the link between science and communication activities (exhibitions, conferences, contacts), contacts with institutions and associations (signature of collective letters)

- Seek to build a knowledge base: search for documents in universities, archives, etc.

# Summary and prospects (2)

2)Forthcoming project activities (planned and to be confirmed)

- Constitution of an international database (at AD38?)

- 'Ciao Italia' exhibition (if extended); conference/study day in Grenoble in cooperation with the Musée Dauphinois in late 2023/early 2024

- Digitisation in Corato of passport application registers: renewal of the application to the Mayor (by the COM.IT.ES of Lyon?), accompanied by letters from universities (Oxford, Grenoble...)

### How to develop a multi-disciplinary approach to writing the history of Coratin migration, based on 'memory', by combining genealogy with history?

Which specialists (historians, economists, sociologists, etc.) would be interested in evaluating the contribution of the Coratini to the industrial, economic, and cultural development of the Grenoble region, given that Coratini emigrants headed there *en masse*?

Who would be interested in cooperating with genealogists to identify Coratini emigrants, especially those who formed transnational families?

# Which disciplines are involved (e.g. demography)?

- The Coratino historian Pasquale Tandoi found that 7,450 people out of a total of 13,066 emigrants who applied for a passport headed to France between 1920 and 1959... (Quando i clandestini eravamo noi, 2010) :
- In the 1920s, 3686 people of working age emigrated to France, out of a total population of 50,110 in Corato in 1921.
- After the war of 1939-45, in the 1950s, 2545 people emigrated to France, out of a population of 45,467 in Corato in 1951. The numerous 'illegal immigrants' of this period are not counted in these figures.
- According to P.Tandoi, among the other destinations of the Coratini emigrants, 3,497 people went to the USA from 1902 to 1960...and in a 2012 article on the Coratolive online media it is stated that 14,000 Coratini went to work in Venezuela between 1948 and 1970 (to be verified, of course). <a href="https://coratolive.it/2012/04/16/corato-e-il-venezuela-ancora-piu-vicini-il-console-generale-arnese-inaugurera-un-apposito-sportello/">https://coratolive.it/2012/04/16/corato-e-il-venezuela-ancora-piu-vicini-il-console-generale-arnese-inaugurera-un-apposito-sportello/</a>

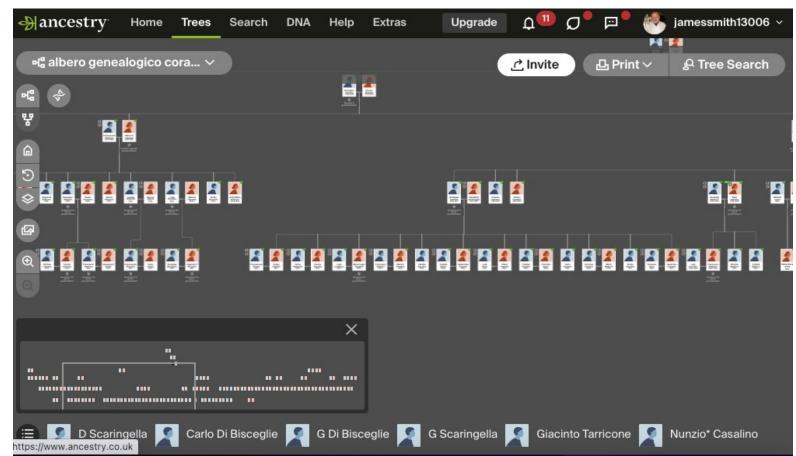
### International database (to be set up): could the Isère archives (AD38) play a role in the centralization and dissemination of data?

- the family tree (24,000 people) and the website of the Atelier Généalogique (+20,000 photos of records kept on Google Drive + and various writings collected on the website www.emigrazione-corato.org ;
- The inventory of naturalization files of Coratini immigrants (work in progress by the Genealogical Workshop based on the work of Maurice Loisel); which files are kept at the AD38?
- The inventory of expired residence permits (series W2973) which is digitized at the AD38;
- The archives of the industries and companies that hired Coratini immigrants in Grenoble
- The data of the Ellis Island Foundation in New York concerning the immigration of Coratini to the USA;
- Passport applications of Coratini candidates for migration between 1920 and 1960 (to be digitized).

### Identification of Coratini emigrants

The albero genealogico coratino (24,000 people) (https://www.emigrazionecorato.org/annuaire/albero-genealogico-coratino/) and the database of 20,000 photos of records kept on Google Drive (https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1jpa3uXt1GS8jYwQVKmlC0ctZfOCuWCe7)

The Atelier Généalogique is participating in Wikitree (U.S.A.)'s development of an app to reduce the obstacles created for genetic genealogy by endogamy (97% in 1835-65): an overabundance of cousins and namesakes.



### Testimonies of the migration, on the website 'emigrazionecorato.org' (webmaster: Louis Lafranceschina)

For example, in the magazine Lo Stradone, about twenty articles about the migration of Coratini by the journalist Marina Labartino (partner of our project in Corato) - https://www.emigrazione-corato.org/pages/ecrits/lo-stradone-corato.html



The naturalization of the Coratini from 1900 to 1979, according to the work of Maurice Loisel. In October 2022, 200 surnames have been processed (work in progress at the AD13 in Marseille), out of about 2300 (not all Coratini) in the *albero* genealogico coratino

(naturalization present in green, absent in red)

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### Naturalization of Coratini in the work of Maurice Loisel\*

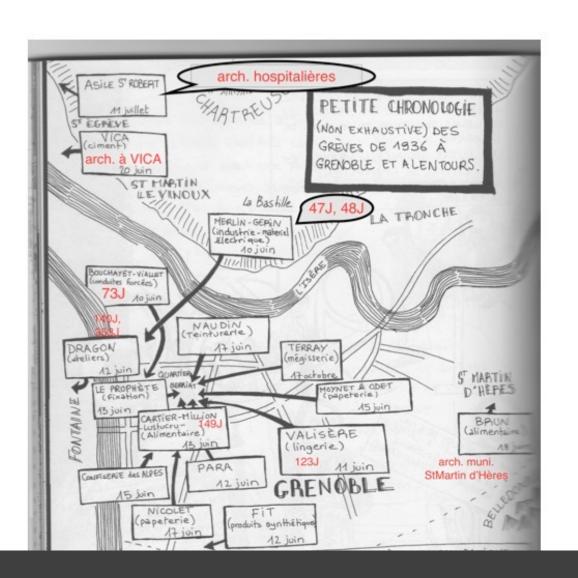
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\*Alphabetical list of persons who acquired or lost French nationality by decree, Ministry of Public Health and Population, Direction des Peuplements et des Naturalisations, Maurice LOISEL, Paris, from 1948 (years 1900 to 1920) to 1983 (years 1970 to 1979).

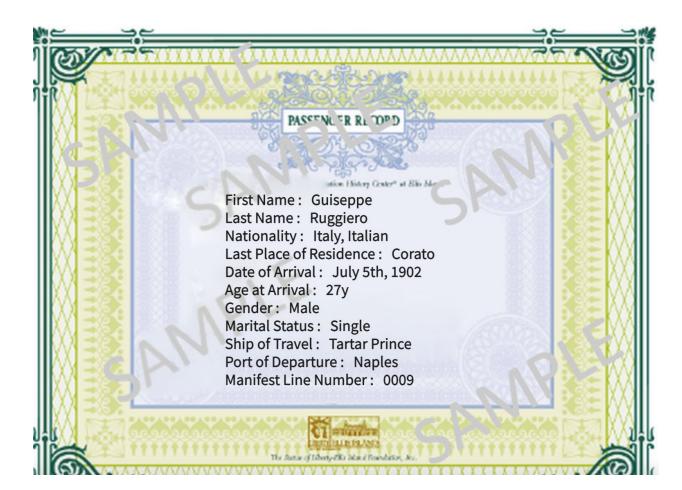
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•Expired residence permits from series W2973 at AD38 (the files contain the names of employers)



Some industrial archives : AD38 call numbers (map from C.PICAUD, 'Disgrazia' p 98) Ellis Island Foundation: according to Pasquale Tandoi\*, Giuseppe Ruggiero was the first Coratino to arrive in the United States in 1902 (\*When we were the illegal immigrants, 2010)



The two binders containing the 4 registers of passport applications between 1920 and 1960: to be digitised in Corato

