





Syria's Cultural Heritage and Children in Situations of Armed Conflict

Lecture

Organized by Niccolò Cusano University Heritage International Institute Universities Network for Children in Armed Conflict

> **21 January, 2:30 pm** Niccolò Cusano University, Rome



Overview

This lecture, held during the Academic Week promoted by the Heritage International Institute (HII), comes at a pivotal moment following the fall of the Assad regime. It will explore the critical importance of promoting the protection of Syria's cultural heritage amidst ongoing challenges.

The discussion will highlight the vital link between safeguarding cultural heritage and defending the rights of children affected by armed conflict, particularly in light of the recent socio-political transformations in the region.

The event features a distinguished panel of experts in cultural heritage, human rights, and international law, fostering an interdisciplinary discussion about the responsibilities and actions required to protect vulnerable communities and their cultural legacies during Syria's rebuilding phase.

This lecture is organized by and will take place at the Niccolò Cusano University, a member of the Universities Network for Children in Armed Conflict (UNECHAC) and an active participant in projects conducted by UNETCHAC and HII in Iraq and Syria.

Agenda

Opening Remarks

• Prof. Marxiano Melotti, Niccolò Cusano University, UNETCHAC and HII

Lecture Presentations

- 1. The Preservation of Syria's Cultural Heritage in Times of Crisis • Prof. Ahmed Khalifa, Ain Shams University (Cairo, Egypt) and HII
- 2. The Nexus Between Protecting Children and Safeguarding Heritage in Armed Conflicts
 - Prof. Laura Guercio, Niccolò Cusano University, UNETCHAC and HII

Panel Discussion

- **Prof. Massimiliano Nuzzolo**, University of Turin
- Prof. Daniele Paragano, Niccolò Cusano University

Q&A Session

• Open discussion with the audience

Closing Remarks

• Prof. Marxiano Melotti

Audience

This lecture is open to students, academics, professionals in cultural heritage and human rights, and anyone interested in the intersection of these critical issues.

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