

Fabio Saggioro is a medieval archaeologist. His research activities are mainly oriented towards the study of medieval landscapes and the methodological aspects of the discipline, as well as the transfer of knowledge in the social and economic fields.

He has conducted and directed archaeological excavations of medieval settlements and castles (Nogara, Illasi, Villafranca, Roncà, Rocca di Canossa, Piuro, Leno, S. Martino in Aquaro) or coordinated territorial research (Garda Orientale, Pianura Veronese, Pianura Bresciana, Lessinia, Val d'Alpone, Val Bregaglia) focusing in particular on the shaping of medieval landscapes, on the development of castles, as well as on the transition phases between the Roman age and the Middle Ages.

Since 2014 he has coordinated the investigations on the archaeological site of San Benedetto di Leno (BS), a Benedictine monastery founded by the Lombard king Desiderio and since 2016 he has been scientific director of the investigations in Val Bregaglia at the site of Piuro (SO). Since 2023 he has also been scientific director of the excavation of the church of San Martino in Aquaro, in Castelvecchio in Verona.

His interests are directed towards the analysis of medieval settlements and agricultural structures and the paleo-environmental reconstruction of the landscape.

He is interested in theoretical and methodological aspects, also linked to the implications of archeology in the sectors of tourism, urban and landscape planning. As a delegate of the Rector he has been a member of the Landscape Observatory of the Veneto Region since 2014. He was co-delegate of the Rector for the transfer of knowledge and relations with the territory (2019-21), he is a member of the Evaluation Unit of the ABA of Verona and was part of the Expert Evaluator Groups (GEV-ANVUR) for VQR 15 -19, as well as the Board of the National Council of Post-Classical Archeologies (2018-2022). Today is member of the Board of the National Council of Post-Classical Archeologies (2025-2028) and of the National Board of the Federation of Archaeology Councils (2025-2028).

He is also a member of the Technical-Scientific Coordination Committee of the ATS for the UNESCO candidacy of the Val d'Alpone, and is coordinator of the Verona Unit in the Prin Food&STONES and of the PRIN ESP 2022. He is a member of the research group in the PNRR InEST project and with delegation from the Rector he is a member of Spoke9 in the CHANGES project.

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## UNIVERSITY EDUCATION

### **PH. D. MEDIEVAL ARCHEOLOGY (2003)**

University of Siena

TUTORS: G. P. BROGIOLO, R. FRANCOVICH

Research on the areas of the lower Veronese plain, later merged into the volume: Lowland landscapes: population transformations between the Roman age and the Middle Ages: settlements, society and environment in the plain between Mantua and Verona, Florence 2010. Ottone d'Assia-Riccardo Francovich Award 3 .

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### **LITERATURE DEGREE – MEDIEVAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL CURRICULUM (1999)**

**UNIVERSITY OF PADUA**

**TUTOR: G. P. BROGIOLO**

Thesis on archaeological aerial photointerpretation and the digital processing of images for the recognition of traces on the ground, with case studies in sample territories of Northern Italy.

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## ACTUAL POSITION

**Full Professor - 10/A1-L/ANT/08 – Christian and Medieval Archeology (from 1/3/2024)**

PREVIOUS

2014 -2024 – University of Verona – Associate Professor in Christian and Medieval Archeology (L-ANT/08)

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2011 -2014 – University of Verona - University Researcher in Christian and Medieval Archeology (L-ANT/08)

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## INSTITUTIONAL POSITIONS

President of the Third Mission Commission of the Department of Cultures and Civilizations (2016-present)

Co-Delegate of the Rector for the Transfer of Knowledge and Relations with the Territory (from October 2019 to October 2021).

Delegate by the Rector in the Scientific Committee of the Verona Tourism Foundation (August 2021-present)

Delegated by the Rector in the Scientific Committee of the Venetian Innovation Cluster for Cultural and Environmental Heritage (from April 2021 to today)

Delegated by the Rector as Member of the Scientific Committee for the Landscape Observatory of the Veneto Region (from 2014 to today).

Since 2017 he has been a member by departmental delegation of the Technical-Scientific Committee of the ATS Val d'Alpone - faunas and floras of the Cenozoic, as part of the UNESCO candidacy of the site - registration in the Italian TL occurred on 21/5/2021.

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## POLICY MAKING – THIRD MISSION

- He is a member of the Evaluation Unit of the Academy of Fine Arts of Verona (since 2017) – AFAM - Miur. Registered Expert Coordinator AFAM – ANVUR (3/11/2022).
  - From 2016 to 2019 he was a member of the Technical-Scientific Committee of the Valpolicella Landscape Observatory.
  - Since 2011 he has been a member of the Valpolicella Documentation Centre.
  - Since 2015 he has been a Corresponding Member of the Academy of Agriculture, Sciences and Letters of Verona. From 2007 to 2017 he was curator of the Archaeological Museum of Gazzo Veronese.
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## SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

Since 2012 he has been a member of the Assembly of the SAAME Center (Interuniversity Center for the History and Archeology of the Early Middle Ages).

- Since 2000 he has been a member of the Society of Italian Medieval Archaeologists (membership no. 162). • From 2018 to 2022 he was a member of the Board of the National Council of Post-Classical Archaeologies.
  - Since 2011 he has been a member of the National Council of Post-Classical Archaeology.
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## SCIENTIFIC JOURNAL OR SERIES

- Since 2013 he has been Editor of the Reti Medievali journal (Fascia A – area I0 and area I1) <http://www.serena.unina.it/index.php/rm/about/editorialTeam>
  - Since 2023 he has been a member of the Scientific Committee of the journal Preistoria Alpina (Fascia A – area
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10): <https://www.muse.it/home/ricerca-e-collezioni/editoria-muse/riviste-e-collane/preistoria-alpine/alpine-prehistory-editorial-team/>

- Since 2016 he has been Director (with Riccardo Rao) of the scientific series “Storie di Paesaggi Medievali” (Ed. All'Insegna del Giglio, Florence)  
<https://www.insegnadelgiglio.it/categoria-dotto/serie/spm-storie-of-medieval-landscapes/>.
  - Since 2018 he has been a member of the Scientific Committee of the Dialoghi sul Medioevo series (Ed. All'Insegna del Giglio, Florence)  
<https://www.insegnadelgiglio.it/categoria-dotto/serie/dm/>
  - He is a member of the Scientific Committee of the (Con)testi Series - Series of studies of the Department of Cultures and Civilizations of the University of Verona, Edizioni Quasar <https://edizioniquasar.it/collections/contesti-collana-di-studi-del-department-cultures-and-civilizations-of-the-university-of-verona>
  - He is part of the International Scientific Committee of the magazine 'Stratigrafie del Paesaggio'  
<https://www.ilsileno.it/stratigrafiedelpaesaggio/>
  - From 2007 to 2014 he was a member of the Scientific Committee of the Historical-Archaeological Series of the Department of Historical, Artistic, Archaeological and Geographical Disciplines of the University of Verona (Majores – Giorgio Bretschneider Editore).
  - Since 2024 he has been a correspondent for the Journal 'Archeologia Medievale' (Fascia A – area 10).
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## MAIN RESEARCH PROJECTS DIRECTIONS

- Since 2023 he has been coordinator of the Unit at the University of Verona of the PRIN 'ESP' project (Lead partner: University of Bologna, partners: University of Verona).
  - Since 2019 he has been coordinator of the Unit at the University of Verona of the PRIN 'Food&Stones' project (Lead partner: Ca' Foscari University of Venice, partners: University of Bari/Foggia, University of Verona, University of Trento).
  - Since 2021 he has been the scientific contact for the PON – RtdA project, at the University of Verona on the topic of Archeology and Environment. PON “Research and Innovation” 2014-2020, Axis IV “Education and research for recovery”, Action IV.4 –
  - Since 2022 it has been a member of the PNRR Projects:
    - a) INEST: component in Spoke 6 – Tourism, Culture and Creative Industries <https://www.consorzioinest.it/>;
    - b) CHANGES: delegated by the Rector – UNIVR affiliated in SPOKE 9 -  
<https://sites.google.com/uniroma1.it/changes/home?authuser=0>
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- Since 2019 he has been scientific director of the archaeological excavations at the site of Piuro (So), Mot del Castel with funding from the Municipality of Piuro, as part of the AMALPI Italy – Switzerland – Interreg Project (WP3). Excavation under ministerial concession. National Archeology Geoportale data: <https://data.d4science.net/3gsZ>
- From 2023 to 2025 he is Scientific Director of the archaeological excavation at the site of San Martino in Aquaro near Castelvecchio di Verona under a three-year ministerial concession (activity in convention and agreement with the Civic Museums of Verona and collaboration with the Polytechnic of Milan, Mantua).
- From 2019 to 2022 he is Scientific Director of the Archaeological excavation at the site of San Benedetto di Leno (Bs) under a three-year ministerial concession. National Archeology Geoportale Data, <https://data.d4science.net/FJRc>

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## OTHERS RESEARCH PROJECTS DIRECTIONS

From 2017 to 2021 he was Scientific Director of the project for the archaeological part at the archaeological site of Rocca di Canossa (RE) with excavation under ministerial concession in 2018.

In 2019 he was Scientific Director of the archaeological excavation at the site of San Severo di Bardolino (Vr) under annual ministerial concession.

From 2009 to 2018 he directed excavations and archaeological research under ministerial concession at the sites of Nogara (Vr) (2003-2010), Illasi (Vr) (2004-2013), Terrossa-Roncà (Vr) (2013-2015), Villafranca (Vr) (2015).

Participates in the Excellence Project 'Food&Wine in ancient Verona' by coordinating investigations into the medieval period (excellence project, Cariverona call 2020 - today);

Participates in the project on the study of the 'Villa of Mosaics' of Negrar (Vr), for the analyzes of the early medieval phases of the site.

Participated in the GA-VE Project (Archaeological Superintendence of Veneto, University of Verona, La Sapienza University of Rome);

He participated in the project on 'Pastoralism in Lessinia' (2010-2014) with surface reconnaissance and study of contexts;

Participated in the University Project "Scientific methods and applications for environmental archaeology" (external evaluation by Cineca);

He participated in the project "Archaeological territorial information system of Verona" (ex-Archaeological Superintendence, University of Verona).

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## SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

He has participated as a speaker in numerous national and international seminars and conferences.

Among these, upon invitation, he took part in the Paris - Sorbonne Day organized by the Society for Late Antiquity of Oxford, on the theme: "La Campagne de l'Antiquité Tardive" (2002), while he scientifically directed the study seminar "Archeologia del Paesaggio e territori medievali", held in Padua and Ravenna (April-May 2004); participated in the study seminar "Dopo la fine delle Ville: evoluzione nelle campagne dal VI al IX secolo" at Gavi (AL) (8-10 May 2004); at the conference "Archeologia residenziale in Italia tra IX e X secolo", (Bologna, 8-10 June 2005). He was an invited speaker at the Congress in Ghent, (Belgium 27-28 February 2006): Broadening Horizons. Multidisciplinary approaches to the study of the past landscape; at the EARTH Project, organized by the European Science Foundation (8-11 June 2006), Copenhagen, Denmark: Landscapes in equilibrium; he also took part in the conference: L'analisi stratigrafica dell'elevato: contributi alla conoscenza delle architetture fortificate e al progetto di restauro - Udine, 10-11 November 2006 - Istituto Italiano Castelli (Speech titled: Architetture di pietra, architetture di legno: leggere le trasformazioni, capire le strutture).

By invitation he was speaker and key-note speaker at the 10th Conference of the International Council of Archaeozoology – Mexico City (23-28 August 2006), of the Landscape Archaeozoology session, with a speech entitled: Medieval settlements in Medieval Landscapes: Understanding Transformations and Processes. In 2009 he took part in the Italy-Spain integrated project "Ciudad y mundo rural en época medieval: la influencia de los procesos de aculturación en la formación y evolución de los paisajes culturales" – Granada 17-22/02/2009, speech: The formation of medieval landscapes: dynamics, processes and structures of the rural population between Adda and Adige (7th-13th century) and in Italy at the International Study Conference: "Villaggi, comunità, paesaggi medievali", Bologna, 14-16 January 2010 with speech entitled: Ricerche sul villaggio medievale nel territorio veronese tra fonti scritte e fonti archeologiche (with A. Brugnoli and G. M. Varanini). He was a member of the Scientific Committee of the Archeofoss 2014 conference.

In 2011 he organized the international conference "Fortificazioni di terra in Italia: motte, tumuli, tumbe e recinti" (with A. Settia and L. Marasco) which merged into the thematic volume of *Archeologia Medievale XL*, 2013. He participated by invitation (2015) at the International Conference on Matilde of Canossa (XXI Congress "Matilde di Canossa e il suo tempo" / San Benedetto Po, Revere, Mantua, Quattro Castella 20-24 October 2015).

He took part in the international conference on Incastellamento in honor of Pierre Toubert (Bologna, November 2013) with two speeches later published in the proceedings. He took part in the seminar Investigations and reflections on the agrarian history of medieval Italy. Twenty years after the first Montalcino conference, in the International Center of Agricultural History in Montalcino (3-4 September 2016) with a talk on the forest in the medieval age. He took part in the International Study Conference curated by S. Gelichi and R. Hodges, Nonantola and the archeology of early medieval monasteries in Europe, Nonantola (MO), 14 April 2018.

In 2020 he took part in the Scientific and Organizing Committee for the International Conference on the twentieth anniversary of the European Landscape Convention.

In 2021 he organized (with D. Angelucci, M. Migliavacca, E. Croce) the conference Archeology and Mountains – Univr, Univr.

He took part by invitation in the BO. S. CO., Botanica, Storia, Concetti. La dimensione forestale e boschiva fra storia, scienza, linguistica e istituzioni, 3-4 June 2021.

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## TEACHING

2007- 2009 Trento University

Archeologia dei Paesaggi Medievali – Laboratory teaching (L-ANT/08)

2007 – 2017 Verona University

Medieval Archaeology – Laboratory teaching (L-ANT/08)

### Main University courses

Medieval Archaeology – (L-ANT/08) – Verona University, Cultural Heritage Degree A. A. 2015-17

Methodology of Archaeological Research – (L-ANT/10) – Verona University, Cultural Heritage Degree, A. A. 2015-17

Introduction to Archaeology - (L-ANT/10) – Verona University, Cultural Heritage Degree, A. A. 2016 - 2024

Medieval Archaeology (i+p) – (L-ANT/08) – Verona University, Cultural Heritage Degree A. A. 2017-2024

Archaeological methods for historic buildings – contract for teaching assignment (L-ANT/08) – Polytechnic of Milan, Master Degree in Restoration (Mantua) – A. A. 2008-15 (4 CFU) with prof. Cristina Tedeschi (4 CFU), integrated teaching (8 CFU) - Archeology and diagnostics of buildings

Landscape Archeology (L-ANT/08), Inter-University Quaternary Master's Degree in Prehistory and Archaeology, University of Ferrara, Verona, Trento, Modena and Reggio Emilia, Academic Year 2015-20.

Archeology of the Early Middle Ages (L-ANT/08), Inter-University Quaternary Master's Degree in Prehistory and Archaeology, University of Ferrara, Verona, Trento, Modena and Reggio Emilia, Academic Year 2021-24. (3 CFU) with prof. ssa Elisa Possenti

Archeology of the Late Middle Ages (L-ANT/08), Inter-University Quaternary Master's Degree in Prehistory and Archaeology, University of Ferrara, Verona, Trento, Modena and Reggio Emilia, Academic Year 2021-24. (3 CFU) with prof. ssa Elisa Possenti

## **SPECIALIZATION SCHOOLS**

Elements of Medieval and Modern Archeology – contract for teaching assignment (L-ANT/08) – Polytechnic of Milan, School of Specialization in Architectural and Landscape Heritage – Academic Year 2016-20 (2 CFU)

Medieval Topography – contract for teaching assignment (L-ANT/09) – Catholic University of Milan, School of Specialization in Archaeological Heritage – Academic Year 2016-2024.

## LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

YEARS OF PRODUCTION 1999-2024: 25

ANVUR evaluable scientific products: 128

List on the website: <https://www.dcuci.univr.it/?ent=persona&id=6311#tab-pubblicazioni>