

PRESS RELEASE

**"History of Science in Public: Methods, Formats, Training"
at SISSA: a two-day workshop on understanding the past
and communicating the present**

Historians and science communicators will gather in Trieste on 8 and 9 October 2026 for a workshop organised by the Italian Society for the History of Science and SISSA's Interdisciplinary Laboratory.



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How do we communicate the history of science? And which methods, formats and practices work best for doing so effectively? On 8 and 9 October at SISSA in Trieste, historians and science communicators will join forces to tackle these questions, with the aim of building a productive bridge between past, present and future. The event is organised by the Italian Society for the History of Science (SISS) and SISSA's Interdisciplinary Laboratory for Natural and Humanistic Sciences (ILAS).

Historical storytelling has great potential for communicating science to the public. Drawing on case studies, panel discussions and working groups, the two days



will explore the balance between historical rigour and accessibility, the role of objects, images, biographies and museums, and the opportunities offered by podcasts, documentaries, social media, schools and festivals. Participants will also consider the skills needed to develop joint approaches between the history of science and public communication.

Guests include freelance journalist and podcaster Enrico Bergianti; Ruggero Rollini, a science communicator with over 140,000 followers on Instagram; and Trieste-based documentary maker and director Nicole Leghissa. They will be joined by Elena Canadelli, President of the Italian Society for the History of Science and Professor at the University of Padua, and Francesco Paolo de Ceglia, Full Professor at the University of Bari Aldo Moro.

Held in Italian, the workshop is open to the invited group of registered experts. Its aim is to identify good practice, pitfalls to avoid and potential ways forward, paving the way for future collaboration between the different professionals taking part.

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