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PROFILE

MARINA DOSSENA is **Professor of English Language** and **Head of the Department of Comparative Languages, Literatures and Cultures** at the University of Bergamo (Faculty of Foreign Languages and Literatures). She is one of the three representatives of the Heads of Departments in the University of Bergamo Senate.

CURRENT AFFILIATION

Dipartimento di Lingue, Letterature e Culture Comparate (Head since 01.11.06)  
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RESEARCH

Main research interests:

- English (historical) linguistics
- English historical dialectology
- varieties of English in Britain
- Scots
- the history of ESP.

Coordinator of research projects on various aspects of English language and linguistics, currently compiling a corpus of nineteenth-century Scottish correspondence in co-operation with Richard Dury.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- 1984-85: Foreign language assistant, Italian, Univ. of Edinburgh
- 1987-98: Teacher of English Language and Literature in Italian secondary schools
- 1993-98: in- and pre-service trainer for Italian EFL teachers
- 1998-2001: Researcher, English Language and Linguistics, Univ. of Milan
- 2001-05: Associate Professor, English Language and Linguistics, Univ. of Bergamo
- *Sommersemester* 2003: *Gastprofessorin* (Visiting Professor) at Innsbruck University (Austria)
- 2004-present: Head of the Centre for Continuing Education, Univ. of Bergamo
- 2005-present: Full Professor, English Language and Linguistics, Univ. of Bergamo

MAIN PUBLICATIONS

See <http://wwwdata.unibg.it/dati/persona/246/2002-mie-pubblicazioni-sito%20UNIBG.pdf>

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES AND INTERNATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

- 1998-2001: Assistant Editor of the *AIA Newsletter*
- 2001-05: Treasurer of AIA, Associazione Italiana di Anglistica (the Italian branch of ESSE)
- 2003-10: Editor of the *Online Bibliography of Scots and Scottish English* ([www.unibg.it/anglistica/slin/scot-bib.htm](http://www.unibg.it/anglistica/slin/scot-bib.htm))
- 2004-08: coordinator of the Bergamo courses within the Erasmus Mundus Masters programme *Crossways in European Humanities*
- 2001-present: member of the Cross-Party Group on the Scots Language in the Scottish Parliament ([www.scottish.parliament.uk/msp/crossPartyGroups/groups/cpg-scots.htm](http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/msp/crossPartyGroups/groups/cpg-scots.htm))
- 2005-present: member of the International Committee of ASLS (Association for Scottish Literary Studies)
- 2010-present: Editor of *The European English Messenger*.
- Member of the Editorial Board of national and international peer-reviewed journals and series: *Linguistica e Filologia* (until Feb. 2009), *ESP Across Cultures*, *Studia Anglica Posnaniensia* and *Publications of the Forum for Research on the Languages of Scotland and Ulster*
- Member of the Organizing and/or Scientific Committee of / speaker at more than 50 national and international conferences
- Coordinator of the Scientific and Organizing Committee of the First and Second International Conferences on English Historical Dialectology (Bergamo, 04-06.09.03 and 23-25.08.07)
- Keynote speaker at the following international conferences:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on LATE MODERN ENGLISH, Edinburgh, 29.08-01.09.01 – title of paper: ‘Modality and Argumentative Discourse in the Darien Pamphlets’;
  - ICEHL 15 (Munich, 24-30.08.08) – title of paper: ‘Dialect and Vernacular Features in LModE Correspondence: Beginnings of a Quest’

#### BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS

Place and date of birth: Bergamo (Italy), 23.06.1961

Education: Laurea cum laude, Foreign Languages and Literature, Univ. of Bergamo, Italy, 02.07.1985 (Major: English literature; minor: Russian literature).

Thesis on *The Image of Russia in English Travelogues of the Sixteenth Century*.

#### Academic honours and grants:

- Teaching Fellowship as a foreign language assistant, Univ. of Edinburgh (UK), Dept. of Italian, 1984-85
- British Council Scholarship for Italian Teacher Trainers, Univ. of East Anglia, 1993

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