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*Just sustainability research project workshop
Catania, 22 - 23 may 2025*

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14:00 - 14:30

Welcome address

Marina Paino Department of Humanities University of Catania

Marco Armiero ICREA - Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

Salvo Torre Università di Catania

14:30 - 16:00

Keynote speech

Daniel Faber & Christina Schlegel

*Justsustainability and the Struggle for Environmental Justice:
towards Transformative Solutions*

16:15 - 18:15

Session 1

Paola Imperatore

Adaptation from below: mapping adaptive grassroots initiatives to climate risk

Alice G. Dal Borgo, Valentina Capocefalo, Margherita Maggioni, Elisa Lenhard

Towards an Environmental Justice Index. A global tool to support local socio-ecological challenges

Bruno Venditto & Hicham Barakat

Urban Commoning and Alternative Production Models: Enhancing Community Engagement and Social Innovation, while addressing Spatial Injustice

Federica Palestino

The Butterfly Corridor: between Social Innovation and Collaborative Regeneration Patterns



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09:00 - 11:00

Session 2 - Chair: Melania Nucifora

Giorgos Velegrakis, Artemis Koumparelou, and Florian Sattler
Attica: The creation of wasted communities in the backyard of Athens

Alexandra S. Moore & Elizabeth Swanson

Migrant Abandonment in the Wastocene: “Desert Dumps,” Border Control, and Collective Storytelling

Sayan Dey

Garbogglomerates: Politics of Trash in India

Yasser Rhimi

“Conta(in)mination: Waste Management Crisis, Covid-19 Pandemic, and the Re-Generation of (Anti-) Capitalist Ecologies in Post-Revolution Tunisia”

Alessandro Esposito & Michael Tortorella

The Toxicity of our city: Toxicity and the right to breathe

11:00 - 11:30

Coffee Break

11:30 - 13:30

Session 3 - Chair: Filippo Gravagno

Sarah Squire

(Re)Generative relationships: An ecology of peer learning for intersectional sustainability in the Scottish Highlands

Isabella Calattini, Pietro Centorrino

Weaving Grassroots Activism through Community Science and Eco-Pedagogy: the Case of the Elsa River Community Monitoring

Vincenzo Luca Lo Re

“A dead man walking”: Confluences and resistances between global risks and local transformations in the Catania fish market (Sicily, Italy)

Ante Ivcevic, Elisa Privitera, Giulia Motta Zanin

Catania does not look towards the sea: the failure of an unjust coastal governance

Gilda Catalano, Francesco Saverio Oliverio, & Annamaria Vitale

Evading global value chain: rural antitoxic practices. The case of Calabria.

13:30 - 14:30

Lunch



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Session 3

P. Centorrino, M. De Sanctis., G. Fanelli, C. Passantino, M. Pierdomenico., S. Rampoldi, S. Verni, L. Conte

A Community Science Investigation of Fiumicino Cruise Port Project

Alessandra Corrado, Carlotta Ebbreto, Mario Pullano

Agro-ecology in Sicily

Giusy Pappalardo, Samuele Andreoni, Marco Armiero

Who has the right to speak about the past? Some preliminary reflections on narratives of just heritage

Roberto Sciarelli

Regenerating places, communities and stories: co-research and collaborative knowledge production between wasting and commoning

Margherita D'Andrea

Participation and the environment: communities facing environmental disaster in the "Land of fires", Southern Italy

16:45 - 17:30

Closing debate

Whiter just transition?

Environmental conflicts, war and socioecological change

A collective panel with Serena Tarabini and Justsustainability team



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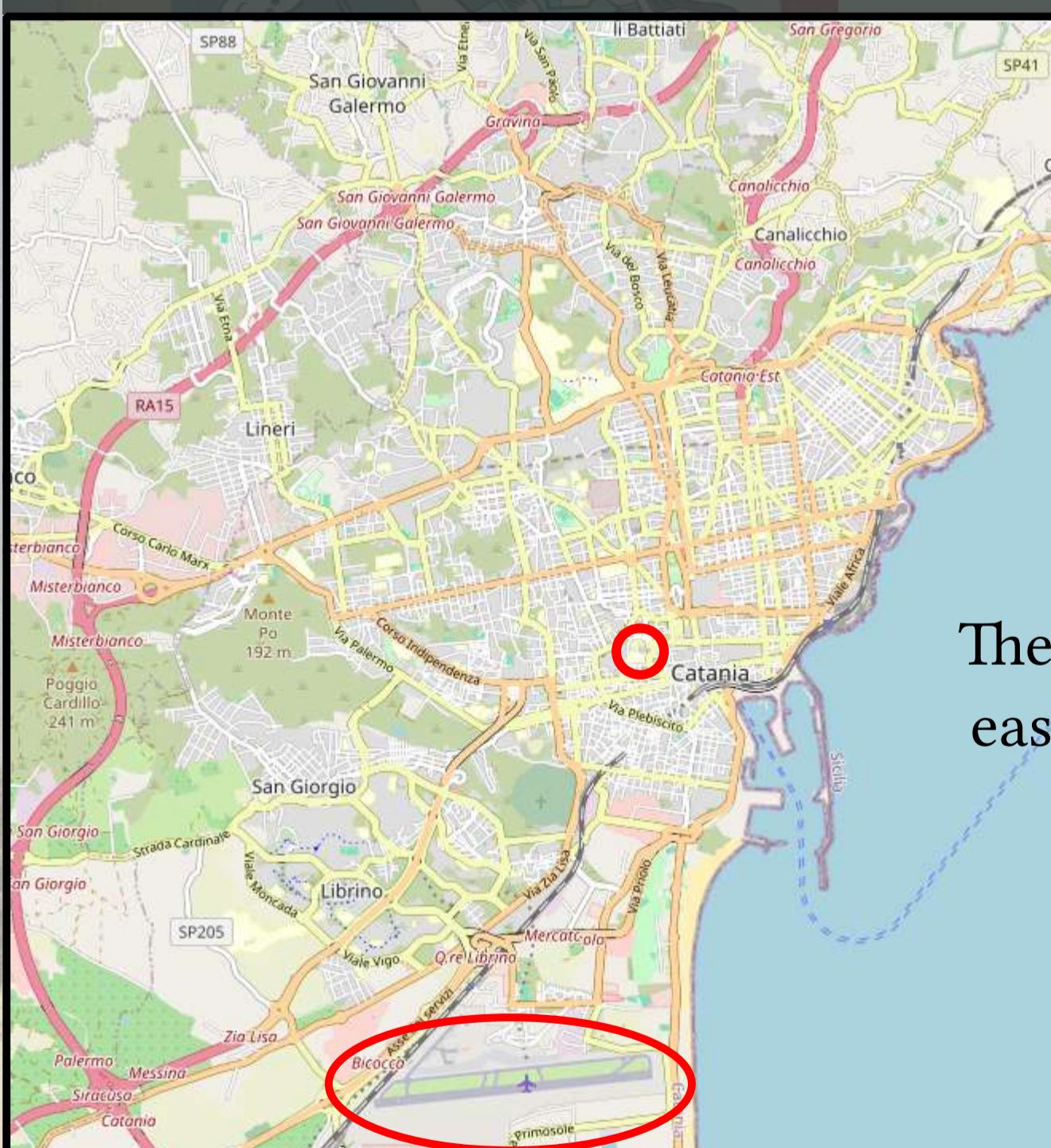
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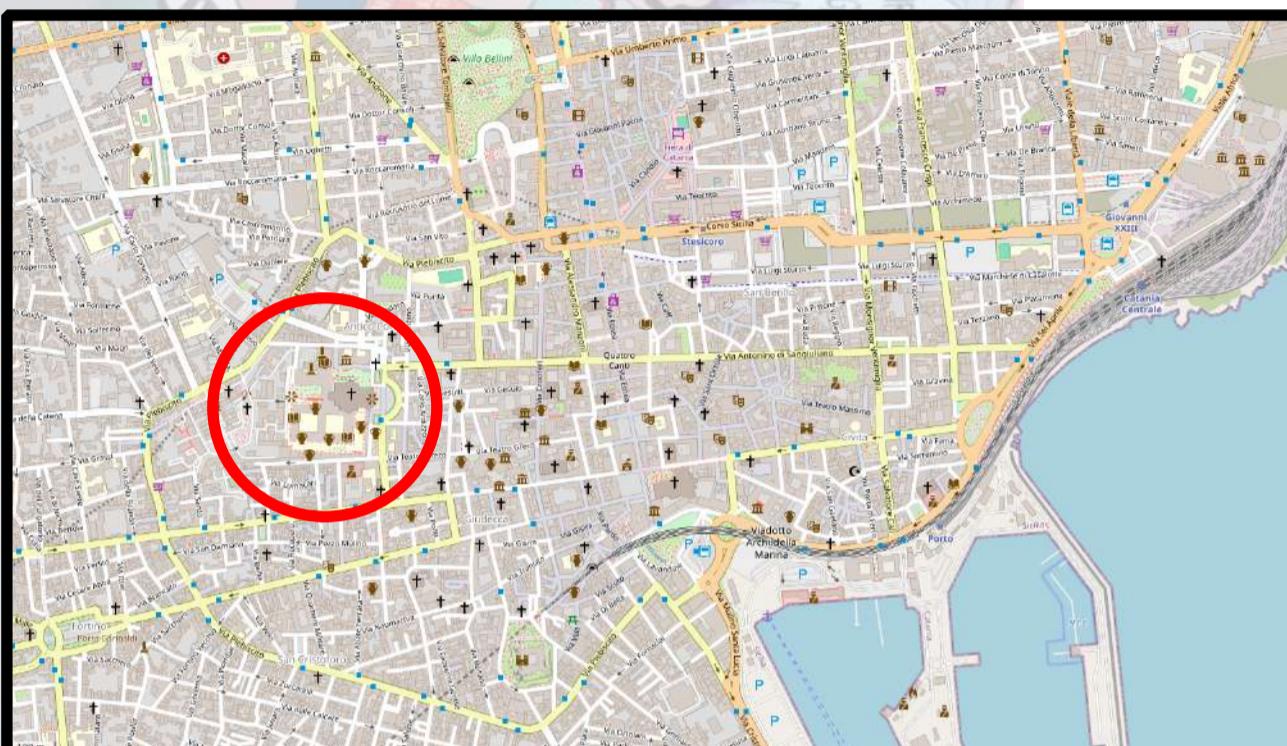
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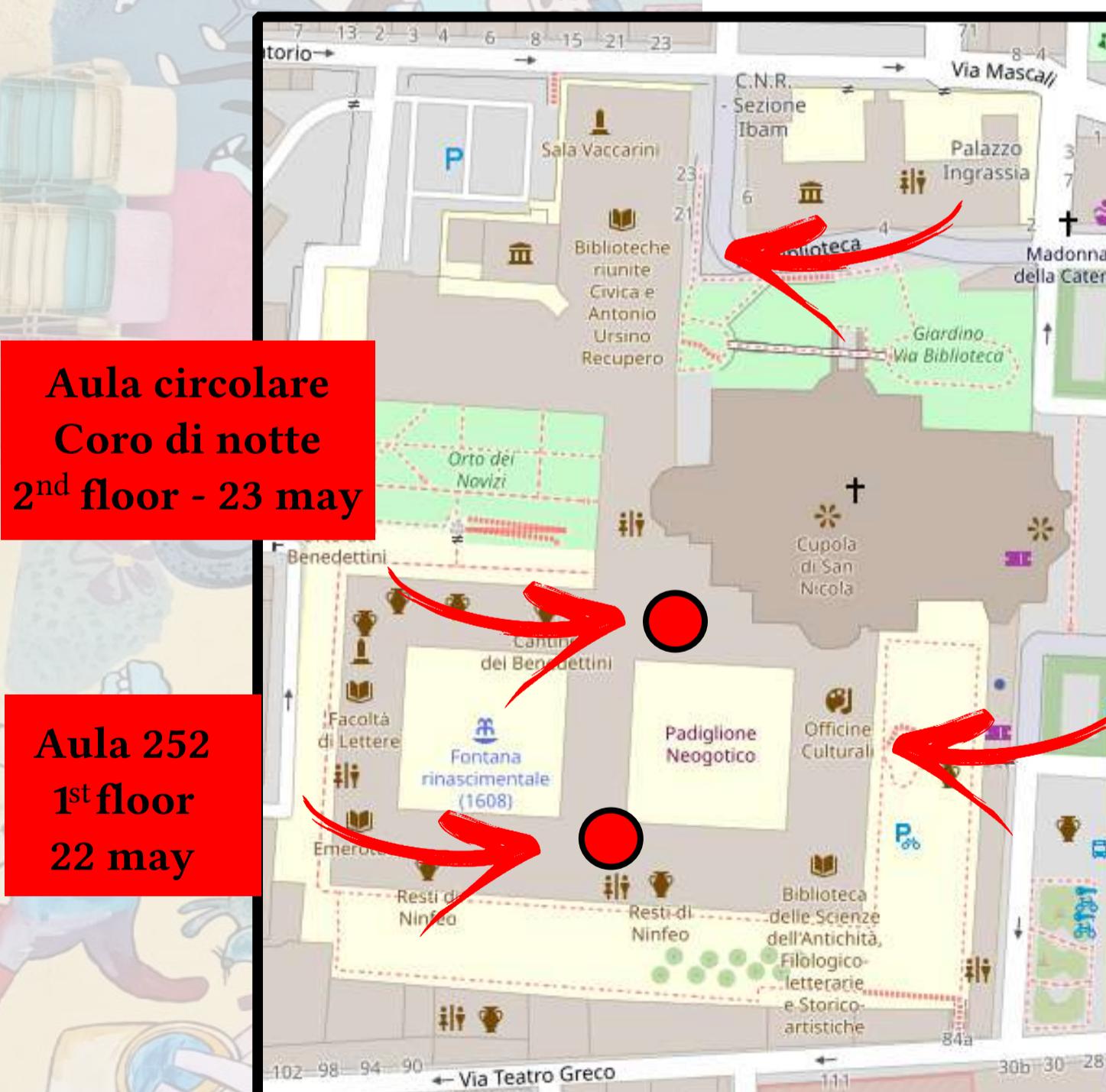
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Venue



Venue:
Monastero dei Benedettini
piazza Dante

[Link to Openstreetmap](#)



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through the iron
gate and up the
stairs to the main
door

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Piazza Dante, go
through the main
door