



Vittorio Ricci OP and Other Missionaries in the Philippines and the South China Sea (1500-1800)

Programma

Tuesday, October 21

2025

ISI Florence - Palazzo Rucellai
Florence

MORNING SESSION
9.30-12.30

9.30: Welcome remarks from **Stefano U. Baldassarri** (Director, ISI Florence) and **Lolita Valderrama Savage** (international artist born in the Philippines)

9.45: Pre-recorded video messages and opening addresses by Italian and Filipino authorities, including Davide Giglio (Italian Ambassador to the Philippines), **Virgilio Reyes** (former Philippine ambassador to Italy, 2011-2014), and **Marco Lombardi** (Capo dell'Ufficio italiano di promozione economica, commerciale e culturale a Taipei)

10.00: First panel chaired by **Don Alessandro Andreini** (Gonzaga University Florence Program)

Gabriele Capecchi (Accademia delle Arti del Disegno, Florence)
From Andrea Corsali to Georg Kamel. A Brief History of the Contacts between Medicean Florence and the Philippines

10.30: Coffee Break

11.15: Carlo Cinelli (Società di Studi Giuseppe Castiglione)
A Profile of Vittorio Ricci and Some Related Documentary Insights

11.45: Question time

12.30: Lunch break

AFTERNOON SESSION
15.00-17.00

15.00: Second panel chaired by **Francesco Stella** (Accademia Colombaria – Università di Siena)

Spyridon St. Kogkas (Imagine Heritage)
The Vatican's Missionary Heritage as a Resource for Global Cooperation

15.30: Zhang Zheng Ying (Società di Studi Giuseppe Castiglione)
The Florentine Dominicans Angelo Cocchi and Vittorio Ricci in Their Relations with the Philippines, Formosa, and Ming China

16.00: Francesco Vossilla (Società di Studi Giuseppe Castiglione – Gonzaga University in Florence)
Vittorio Ricci between Diplomacy and Mission: The Cases of Coxinga and the Dutch East India Company

16.30: Question time

17.00: Closing remarks (Stefano U. Baldassarri - Director, ISI Florence)