

Curriculum Vitae  
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Research Focuses: Greek drama and drama theory, Greek and Roman dance, Pre-Socratic philosophy

**CV overview:** 1) Employment history, 2) Education, 3) Projects & Grants, 4) Publications, 5) Organization of conferences, 6) Invited talks, 7) Teaching, 8) Further activities

### 1) Employment history and affiliations

- [June-July 2020] visiting researcher at the *APGRD-Archive for Performance of Greek and Roman Drama*, University of Oxford. \*Postponed due to Covid-19 crisis\*
- since Oct. 2015 Senior PostDoc fellow of the Austrian Science Fund (FWF/Elise Richter Program), University of Vienna (Austria), Department of Classics. Project title: *Aeschylus' Narrative Drama. The Poetics of Early Tragedy*
- Jan. 2016 – Mar. 2017 Maternity leave
- Apr. – Sept. 2014 Lecturer at the University of Heidelberg (Germany), Department of Classics
- Oct. 2013– Jan. 2014 Visiting scholar at the University of Nottingham (UK), Department of Classics
- May 2013 Research fellow, Fondation Hardt, Vandoeuvres Genève (Switzerland)
- May 2014-Oct. 2015 PostDoc fellow of the Austrian Science Fund (FWF/Hertha Firnberg Program), University of Vienna (Austria), Department of Classics
- Oct. 2012 – Apr. 2014 PostDoc fellow of the Austrian Science Fund (FWF/Hertha Firnberg Program), University of Salzburg (Austria), Department of Classics
- Oct. 2011 – Sept. 2012 Lecturer at the University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt (Germany), Department of Classics.
- Oct. 2007 – Sept. 2011 Research Assistant at the University of Salzburg (Austria), Department of Classics. Main responsibilities: research, teaching, organization of academic activities, coordination of the Erasmus Program, development of degree curricula. Spring term 2011: managing assistant of the Department
- Oct. 2005– Jul. 2006 Visiting scholar at the Humboldt University in Berlin (Germany), Department of Classics
- Jan. 2005– Feb. 2008 PreDoc fellow on a grant of the Italian Ministry of Education and Research, University of Palermo (Italy), Faculty of Philosophy and Literature

### 2) Education

- 2005 – 2008 PhD, University of Palermo (Italy), PhD-thesis on *Heraclitus' Logos in Changing Media: from Orality to Literacy*
- 2000 – 2004 University studies, University of Chieti (Italy), MA in Classics. Diploma thesis: *The Inspiration of Poetry. Homeric Singers and the Biblical Prophets.* Graduation with distinction
- Summer Term 2003 Erasmus Program, University of Passau (Germany)
- 1995 – 2000 Grammar school in Pescara (Italy). Graduation with distinction

### 3) Funded Projects and Grants

June 2020-June 2022	“Improntas de danza antigua: textos, cuerpos, imágenes, movimiento (IDA)”, PI: Zoa Alonso (Madrid). Team: Rosa Andújar (Kings College London); Lauren Curtis (Bard College); Laura Gianvittorio-Ungar (Vienna); Carolyn Laferrière (Yale); Sarah Olsen (Williams College); Karin Schlapbach (Fribourg); Naomi Weiss (Harvard).
since Oct. 2015	FWF–Austrian Science Fund, Elise Richter Program (EUR 253.490)
Sept. 2017	FWF–Austrian Science Fund, submission for a START grant. Reviews: Excellent, Very good and Good. Not granted
Oct. 2012 – Sep. 2015	FWF–Austrian Science Fund, Hertha Firnberg Program (EUR 206.340)
Apr. 2010	FWF–Austrian Science Fund, publication grant for the monograph <i>Il discorso di Eraclito</i> , Spudasmata 134, Olms, 2010 (ca. EUR 3.000)
Jan. 2005 – Feb. 2008	Grant of MIUR-Italian Ministry of Education, Universities, and Research for a three year PhD program (ca. EUR 30.000)
Oct. 2000 – Jul. 2004	Grant of MIUR-Italian Ministry of Education, Universities, and Research (full refund of the tuition fees for excellent students, ca. EUR 5.000)
Mar. – August 2003	Erasmus mobility grant

### 4) Publications

#### Monographs

- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, in progress: *Aeschylus’ narrative drama. The poetics and genre of early tragedy*
- L. Gianvittorio, 2010: *Il discorso di Eraclito. Un modello semantico e cosmologico nel passaggio dall’oralità alla scrittura* (Spudasmata 134), G. Olms Verlag, Hildesheim, New York, Zürich (publication financed by FWF – Austrian Science Fund).  
Reviews: *Gnomon*, 1/2012 (D. W. Graham), *Religious Studies Review*, 37 (3) - Sept. 2011 (A. Vergados), *Méthexis. International Journal for Ancient Philosophy*, XXIV, 2011 (F. Forcignanò)

#### Edited volumes

- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, K. Schlapbach eds., 2021 - under contract with Brill: *Chreonarratives. Dancing stories in Greek and Roman antiquity and beyond*. Authors: S. Bocksberger (Oxford), J. Bührlé (Oxford), M.-L. Crawley (Coventry), S. Dorf (Dayton OH), K. Fenböck (Salzburg), S. L. Foster (Los Angeles), L. Gianvittorio-Ungar (Vienna), S. Olsen (Berkeley), L. Ruprecht (Cambridge), K. Schlapbach (Fribourg CH), D. Shanzer (Vienna), Chr. Thurner (Bern), Y. Zarifi-Sistovari (Oxford APGRD/Thiasos Theatre Company), B. Zimmermann (Freiburg D).
- L. Gianvittorio (ed.), 2017: *Choreutika. Performing and Theorising Dance in Ancient Greece* (Biblioteca dei Quaderni Urbinati di Cultura Classica 13), Fabrizio Serra Editore, Roma, Pisa. Authors: S. Bocksberger (Oxford), E. Csapo (Sydney), P. Finglass (Bristol), L. Gianvittorio (Vienna), S. Hagel (Vienna), F. Naerebout (Leiden), A.-E. Peponi (Stanford), E. Rocconi (Pavia).  
Review: BMCR 2018.05.08 <http://bmcr.brynmawr.edu/2018/2018-05-08.html>

#### Peer reviewed papers and chapters

- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar 2021 - under contract with Brill: *Dancing Io’s life: hurt body, tragic suffering (Prometheus Bound 561-608)*, in L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, K. Schlapbach (eds.), *Chreonarratives. Dancing stories in Greek and Roman antiquity and beyond*
- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar and K. Schlapbach, 2021 - under contract with Brill: *Introduction: Narratives in motion*, in L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, K. Schlapbach (eds.), *Chreonarratives. Dancing stories in Greek and Roman antiquity and beyond*
- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar (forthcoming), *Reimagining and reenacting the chorus in Republican tragedy. The cases of Naevius’ Lycurgus and Ennius’ Eumenides*, in K. Schlapbach (ed.), *Dance in Rome*, Franz Steiner Verlag
- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, 2020: *Lousy boys and Pseudo-Homeric giggles*, *Prometheus* 46, 39-48

- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, 2020: *Narratives in Motion. The art of dancing stories in antiquity and beyond: Report on an interdisciplinary symposium with scholars and performers*, Greek and Roman Musical Studies 8.1 (Brill), 174-189
- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, 2019: *War report and weapon dance in Aeschylus' Seven against Thebes*, in J. Grethlein, L. Huitink, A. Tagliabue (eds.), *Experience, Narrative, and Criticism in Ancient Greece. Under the Spell of Stories*, Oxford University Press, 235-251
- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, 2019: *Dining and Re-dining with Thyestes. Embodying Seneca's tragedy in antiquity and today*, *Dionysus ex machina* 10, 161-172
- L. Gianvittorio, 2018: *New Music and dancing prostitutes. Performance and imagery of erotic dancing in the musical criticism of Old Comedy*, Greek and Roman Musical Studies 6.2 (Brill), 265-289.
- L. Gianvittorio, 2017: *Der Klang prophetischer Stimmen. Cassandra und die Sibylle in performance*, in E. Fantino, U. Muss, K. Sier, C. Schubert (eds.), *Heraklit im Kontext* (Studia Praesocratica 8), De Gruyter, 343-371.
- L. Gianvittorio, 2017: *Introduction. Ancient dance as a topic of research*, in L. Gianvittorio (ed.), *Choreutika. Performing and Theorising Dance in Ancient Greece* (Biblioteca dei Quaderni Urbinati di Cultura Classica 13), Roma, Pisa, 25-36.
- L. Gianvittorio, 2017: *A dance of death. Evidence of a tragic dance of mourning*, in L. Gianvittorio (ed.), *Choreutika. Performing and Theorizing Dance in Ancient Greece* (Biblioteca dei Quaderni Urbinati di Cultura Classica 13), Roma, Pisa, 90-118.
- L. Gianvittorio, 2016: *Erzählen durch Pantomime. Zu Nonnos, Dionysiaka 19, 136-299*, in G. Danek, E. Klecker, R. Merker (eds.), *Trilogie: Epos, Drama, Epos*, Wien, 347-70.
- L. Gianvittorio, 2015: *One deception, many lies. Frr. 301-302 Radt and Aeschylus' Philoctetes*, *Wiener Studien* 128, 19-26
- L. Gianvittorio, 2015: *Anagrammi eraclitei?* in O. Álvarez Salas, E. Hülsz (eds.), *El libro de Heráclito 2500 años después*, Mexico City, 213-38.
- L. Gianvittorio, 2014: *Epicarmo dialogico. Quattro livelli di analisi (Parte 2)*, *Hermes* 142 (1), 58-78
- L. Gianvittorio, 2013: *Epicarmo dialogico. Quattro livelli di analisi (Parte 1)*, *Hermes* 141 (4), 435-449
- L. Gianvittorio, 2013: *Sprechen und Verstehen bei Heraklit und Parmenides*, *Mnemosyne* 66, 1-29
- L. Gianvittorio, 2012: *La narrazione melica nella tragedia. Modi del racconto ed etopea del narratore*, *Quaderni Urbinati di Cultura Classica n.s.* 101, 97-123
- L. Gianvittorio, 2011: *Erzählen als rhetorisches Handeln. Antike Theorien und Pragmatische Narratologie*, *Grazer Beiträge* 28, 60-84

### Works in progress

- Z. Alonso, L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, under contract with Bloomsbury: *Transfers and Transactions*, in M. Briand (ed.), *A Cultural History of Dance. Volume 1: Antiquity*.
- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, *Perpetuum mobile. Durability, Temporalities, and Memory in Ancient Dance*, in Z. Alonso (ed.), *Improntas de Danza Antigua: textos, cuerpos, imágenes, movimiento*
- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, *Hellenizing eurhythmic dance. Rosalia Chladek and the Greek Theatre of Syracuse in the 1930s*

### Online publications

- L. Gianvittorio-Ungar, 2019: *Seneca, theatercombinat, and embodied philology*: [http://www.theatercombinat.com/projekte/thyestes/images/seneca\\_%20theatercombinat\\_embodiedphilology\\_laura\\_gianvittorio\\_unger\\_20191023.pdf](http://www.theatercombinat.com/projekte/thyestes/images/seneca_%20theatercombinat_embodiedphilology_laura_gianvittorio_unger_20191023.pdf)
- L. Gianvittorio, 2017: *Book presentation: "Choreutika. Performing and Theorising Dance in Ancient Greece"*: [http://www.engramma.it/eOS2/index.php?id\\_articolo=3174](http://www.engramma.it/eOS2/index.php?id_articolo=3174)  
Engramma 148 (issue *Dionysus beyond borders*)

- L. Gianvittorio, 2016: *Conference report: Greek Theatre beyond the Canon (Vienna, 13-14 November 2015)*: <https://kphil.ned.univie.ac.at/das-institut/allgemeine-information/publikationen-und-kongressberichte/kongressberichte/>

### Book translations

- L. Gianvittorio, 2008: H. Leppin, *Teodosio il Grande* (Profili 44), Salerno Editrice, Roma, (350 pages). (Italian translation of: H. Leppin, *Theodosius der Große*, Wissenschaftliche Buchgesellschaft, Darmstadt, 2003)

### Entries in lexica

- L. Gianvittorio, 2009: *Gorgias von Leontinoi*, in S. Jordan, B. Mojsisch (eds.), *Philosophenlexikon*, Reclam, Stuttgart, 225–6
- L. Gianvittorio, 2009: *Protagoras von Abdera*, in S. Jordan, B. Mojsisch (eds.), *Philosophenlexikon*, Reclam, Stuttgart, 444–5

### Book reviews

- Widzisz M. A., *Chronos on the Threshold. Time, Ritual, and Agency in the Oresteia* (Lanham, MD and Plymouth 2012), in *Classical Review* 64 (2), 2014, 349–51.
- Gostoli A., *Margite. Omero. Introduzione, testimonianze, testo critico, traduzione e commento* (Pisa, Roma 2007), in *Grazer Beiträge* 26 (2008), 152–154
- Cozzo A., *La tribù degli antichisti. Un'etnografia ad opera di un suo membro* (Roma 2006), in *Grazer Beiträge* 28, 2011
- Narducci E., *Cicerone. La parola e la politica*, Roma, Bari, 2009, in *Grazer Beiträge* 28, 2011

### Databases (by L. Gianvittorio et al.)

- *Antike Rhetorik: Autoren*  
[http://plusfm.plus.sbg.ac.at/Haupttexte%20Rhetorik\\_Autoren/home.php?-link=Home](http://plusfm.plus.sbg.ac.at/Haupttexte%20Rhetorik_Autoren/home.php?-link=Home)
- *Antike Rhetorik: Frühdrucke und Textausgaben*  
[http://plusfm.plus.sbg.ac.at/Haupttexte%20Rhetorik\\_Ausgaben/home.php?-link=Home](http://plusfm.plus.sbg.ac.at/Haupttexte%20Rhetorik_Ausgaben/home.php?-link=Home)
- *Antike Rhetorik: Werke*  
[http://plusfm.plus.sbg.ac.at/Haupttexte%20Rhetorik\\_Texte/home.php?-link=Home](http://plusfm.plus.sbg.ac.at/Haupttexte%20Rhetorik_Texte/home.php?-link=Home)

### 5) Organisation of International Conferences

- Jun. 22nd-23rd 2018 *Narratives in Motion. The Art of Dancing Stories in Antiquity and beyond*, University of Vienna. Speakers & Dancers: S. Bocksberger, J. Bührle, K. Fenböck, E. Ganser, M.-H. Garelli, S. Gilliam, N. Haitzinger, E. May, A.-E. Peponi, P. Purkayastha, K. Schlapbach, Y. Sistovari, R. Webb.
- Nov. 13th-14th, 2015 *Greek Theatre Beyond the Canon*, University of Vienna. Speakers: E. Csapo, P. Finglass, L. Gianvittorio, E. Hall, V. Liapis, T. Marshall, G. Martin, E. Medda, H.-G. Nesselrath, L. Rodríguez-Noriega Guillén.

### 6) Invited Talks

- Sept. 2nd, 2020 *Tragic Choruses: from Athens to Rome*, LEC-UFF in Quarantine: online lectures, University of Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)
- Jun. 5th, 2020 *Sacrifice and Oracle through Greek and Roman Antiquity*, TanzQuartier-labor Oracle and Sacrifice (TanzQuartierWien, Vienna)
- May 14th-17th, 2020 *Eurhythmic choruses*, Dancing with the Ancients, Gardzienice Centre for Theatre Practices (Poland) - postponed due to the Covid-19 crisis
- Oct. 3rd-4th, 2019 *Choral violence and the overlapping of actor space and chorus space*, Theaterworkshop Raum und Gewalt University of Graz (Austria)
- Jun. 18th-19th, 2019 *Choral and anti-choral models in Naevius' Lycurgus and Ennius' Eumenides*, The dance of priests, matronae and philosophers. Aspects of dance culture in Rome and in the Roman Empire, University of Fribourg (Switzerland)

- Jul. 4th-7th, 2018 *Performative Narratives in Early Tragedy*, 'Pragmatics and Ancient Drama', University of Zurich (Switzerland)
- May 14th, 2018 *Embodying musical revolution in a malestream society: the female dancers of Greek Comedy*, at TQW-TanzQuartierWien (Austria)
- Jul. 28th, 2017 *New Music and Dancing Prostitutes*, '10th Moisa Meeting: The Revolution of the New Music', Jesus College, Oxford (UK)
- Jun. 27th, 2017 Book presentation *Choreutika. Performing and Theorising Dance in Ancient Greece*, University of Vienna (Austria)
- Nov. 13th-14th, 2015 *A Choreographic Approach to the parodos of Seven against Thebes*, 'Greek Theatre beyond the Canon', University of Vienna (Austria)
- Jun. 18th-19th, 2015 *Choreographie einer Belagerung (zu Aisch. Sept. 78-181)*, 'Klangräume und Emotionen im antiken und modernen Theater', University of Graz (Austria)
- Jun. 13th, 2015 *Enemy at the Gates. Dancing the Seven against Thebes*, 'Altgriechische Dichtung', University of Heidelberg (Germany)
- Nov. 21st-22nd, 2014 *Ein tragischer Todestanz. Textuelle und archäologische Indizien einer Choreographie*, 'Chorfiguren', University of Münster (Germany)
- Nov. 14th-15th, 2014 *Rudere, rudere mir zuliebe! (Aisch. Pers. 1046)*, 'Antikes Theater: Kult-Spiel-Dichtung', University of Vienna (Austria)
- Jun. 12th-13th, 2014 *Ein threnodischer Tanz zwischen extraszenischem und choreographischem Raum*, 'Rahmungen und Raumrelationen im antiken und modernen Theater', University of Graz (Austria)
- May 20th 2014 *Sul finale delle Vespe di Aristofane*, University of Chieti (Italy)
- May 21st 2014 *La paratragedia nella tradizione comica*, University of Chieti (Italy)
- May 22nd 2014 *Eschilo e il dramma diegetico*, University of Chieti (Italy)
- Jan. 29th 2014 *Aischylos zwischen Drama und Erzählung*, University of Vienna (Austria)
- Nov. 11th 2013 *Narratives in Persians and Suppliants*, University of Nottingham (UK)
- Oct. 7th-12th 2013 *Heraklit auf der Bühne? 'Heraklit von Ephesos und seine Zeit'* Selçuk (Turkey)
- Sept. 11th-12th, 2012 invitational participation to the debate of *Symposium Heracliteum*, University of Cambridge (UK)
- Jan. 18th, 2012 *Illokutives und rhetorisches Potential der Erzählung. Klassische Antike und Poststrukturalismus*, University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt (Germany)
- Oct. 29th, 2011 *Epicarmo di Siracusa. Dialogo drammatico, (para)filosofico, intertestuale*, 'Formen und Funktionen des literarischen Dialogs in Antike', Como (Italy)
- Apr. 29th, 2011 *Erzählen als rhetorisches Handeln*, 'Salzburg-Tübinger Rhetorikgespräche', University of Salzburg (Austria)
- Feb. 4th, 2011 *Tragedia greca tra pragmatica, retorica e narratologia*, University of Palermo (Italy)
- Feb. 2nd, 2011 *Produttività semantica dei testi presocratici*, University of Palermo (Italy)
- Nov. 4th, 2009 *Parlare e comprendere in Eraclito e Parmenide*, University of Palermo (Italy)
- Nov. 3rd, 2009 *Il linguaggio sapienziale arcaico*, University of Palermo (Italy)
- Jan. 26th, 2009 *Sagen und Nennen bei Heraklit und Parmenides*, University of Salzburg(Austria)
- Dec. 4th, 2006 *Semantica aurale: la significazione in Eraclito*, 'XVII Convegno Nazionale dei Dottorati in Filosofia', Reggio Emilia (Italy)

## 7) Teaching

Winter term 2018/19	<b>• University of Vienna (Austria)</b> Lecture: The beginnings of Greek theatre forms (Dithyramb, Satyr Play, Tragedy, Sicilian Comedy, Pantomime, Phlyax Play)
Summer Term 2015	Seminar: Lucian on Philosophy ( <i>Symposium, Philosophers for sale and Fisherman</i> )
Summer Term 2014	<b>• University of Heidelberg (Germany)</b> Seminar: Tragedy and the blending of poetic genres
Summer Term 2014	<b>• University of Chieti (Italy)</b> Block Seminars: Paratragedy in the comic tradition
Summer Term 2013	<b>• University of Salzburg (Austria):</b> Lecture: <i>Paraphilosophia</i> . Common ground between comedy and philosophy
Summer Term 2011	Undergraduate seminar: Hesiod, <i>Works and Days</i> Exercise course on Greek Language with focus on morphology
Winter Term 2010/11	Undergraduate seminar: Aristophanes' <i>Frogs</i> and the reception of tragedy Lecture: Propaedeutic lectures about Classical Studies
Summer Term 2010	Undergraduate seminar: Sophocles' <i>Antigone</i>
Winter Term 2009/10	Undergraduate seminar: Xenophanes and the archaic <i>sophia</i>
Summer Term 2009	Guide of a study trip for Latin students to Rome
Winter Term 2011/12	<b>• University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt (Germany)</b> Greek language and grammar Exercise course: Plato's <i>Ion</i>
Summer Term 2012	Exercise course: Aristotle's <i>Poetics</i>
Winter Term 2010/11	<b>• University of Palermo (Italy):</b> Block Seminars: The birth of philosophical language ( <i>Erasmus teaching mobility</i> )
Summer Term 2007	Greek language for philosophy students
Winter Term 2014/15	<b>Supervision</b> Evaluation of doctoral thesis
Summer Term 2019	Co-supervision of master thesis

## 8) Further activities

**Peer review activity:** Classical Quarterly, Journal of Hellenic Studies, Quaderni Urbinati di Cultura Classica, Dionysus ex Machina, Asiatische Studien, Danza e Ricerca

**Memberships:** DSA-Dance Studies Association; Eurythmia-*International Research Network on the Cultural History of Dance*; CADRE-Centre for Ancient Drama and its Reception; Center for Studies in Oral Tradition; MOISA-International Society for the Study of Greek and Roman Music

**Artistic collaborations:** Musik und Kunst Universität der Stadt Wien, TQW-TanzQuartierWien, theatercombinat

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