

Italy: design, politics and democracy in the 20th century.



Call for conference

The focus of the conference organized by Associazione Italiana Storici del Design is to **investigate the complexity of historical relations between design and politics during the 20th century**; the event will be held the 20th and 21st of June 2019 in Turin at Castello del Valentino.

Starting from the presuppose that the design territory is placed into a dialectic and dialogic dimension that involves designer, production and society, the purpose is to bring out the different subjective conditions of the referred Italian community in relation with the transformation of political and social conditions and to reconsider the design role, also in its ideological aspects, as a result of a political thought, indeed oriented to the design organization of the common good.

The call proposes **two macro areas of intervention**:

- Critical Humanism: ?democracy and design? or design vs democracy / disciplinary session: between history and critics
- Operational Humanism: ?political design? or design vs politics / problematic session: between history and contemporaneity

Visit the **Call for Conference** to participate with an abstract proposal

Important dates:

- December 2018 call publication
- January 31st 2019 abstracts deadline
- February 28th 2019 abstracts acceptance

Further information:

Location: Castello del Valentino, Turin

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