

I, Livio Zerbini, was born in Sermide (MN) on 25.05.1962, after completing high school with brilliant academic results, I enrolled in Literary and Historical-Archaeological Address at the University of Ferrara. I graduated in Literary subjects, address with Historical Archaeology, at the University of Ferrara, on 12/09/1986, with the highest marks, 110/ 110 *cum laude*.

For the brilliant results university the University of Ferrara has assigned me as the best student, the opportunity to complete their studies with a scholarship abroad. Therefore, after the degree, I completed at the Laboratoire d'Archéologie dell'École Normale Supérieure of Paris, under the scientific guidance of the Prof. Christian Peyre.

So, after I place on leave from teaching in high schools, I passed the examination for admission to the PhD in Ancient History at the University "Niccolò Copernico" di Torun (Poland). On 16/04/2002 I received at the University "Niccolò Copernico" di Torun (Poland) the Ph.D. in Ancient History, long four years - I passed with the highest marks, the examination for admission to the PhD examination of foreign language, the examination of the History of Ancient Philosophy, Ancient History of the examination and discussion of the Thesis - with a thesis entitled "Demografia, popolamento e società del delta padano in età romana" the promoter of the thesis, the Prof. Maria Jaczynowska, University of Torun, and reviewers, Prof. Leszek Mrozewicz, University of Poznan, and Prof. Danuta Musial, University of Torun (President of the Commission Prof. Leszek Mrozewicz, University of Poznan; Members of the Commission Prof. Maria Jaczynowska, University of Torun, Prof. Danuta Musial, University of Torun and Dr. Przemyslaw Wojciechowski, University of Torun). After the PhD, I taught - for four years, the academic 2003/2004 academic year 2006/2007 - as an associate professor of Roman history at the University "Niccolò Copernico" di Torun (Poland).

Then I won the contest associate professor in Roman History (L-Ant/03) - banned by the University of Ferrara (Call D.R. 31/10/2006 n. 2259, published in G.U. n. 86 del 10/11/2006), taking service November 1, 2007, with confirmation in the role November 1, 2010 where I still teach, as holder of the teachings of Ancient History, Roman History and History of the classical world. In addition to this educational activity, always in the academic 2007/2008 have joined the Council of Professors of PhD in Ancient History in the Department of Ancient History at the University of Bologna,

For these scientific interests turned to the Danubian provinces and the Black Sea, January-March 2012, for a semester, I was invited as a visiting professor at Université Sorbonne - Paris I Panthéon - to give lectures and seminars on the Danubian provinces and the Black Sea in antiquity, of which, below, we indicate the seminars.

For the administrative and teaching skills hoarded over the years in the academic 2008/2009 I was appointed by the Rector of the University of Ferrara President of the Degree Course in "Operator of Cultural Tourism" and also President of the Course Degree in "Planning and management of events and cultural experiences",

In the year 2007 by the Rector of the University of Ferrara, I was appointed President of the association "Niccolò Copernico", University of Ferrara, association of the teachers of the University of Ferrara and that takes care of special projects related to the internationalization of the University of Ferrara and merchandising activities.

In fact, research on the Danubian provinces have had great impetus after my creation in the year 2007, at the University of Ferrara, of the Laboratory for studies and research on the Ancient Danube provinces -LAD, which I've been directing since its birth, has become one of the centers of international reference on the world Balkan-Danubian in Roman times, which currently consists of

approximately 400 scientists, researchers and archaeologists, and among these the most influential, who are concerned with studies, research and excavations, the Danubian provinces.

In order to better achieve these objectives I organized at the University of Ferrara, 15 to 17 October 2009, The International Conference on "Rome and the Danubian provinces" which saw the participation of 32 of the most important scholars of the Danube in Roman times, from 14 countries. The results of the International Conference on "Rome and the danubian provinces" have been largely positive, as pointed out by Prof. Géza Alföldy, during the presentation of the volume of proceedings - L. Zerbini (a cura di), *Roma e le province del Danubio. Convegno Internazionale di Studi*, Soveria Mannelli (Catanzaro) 2009 -, in Ferrara, and in the review published on "Epigraphica" (G. Alföldy, review about *Roma e le province del Danubio. Atti del I Convegno Internazionale Ferrara - Cento, 15-18 Ottobre 2009*, edited by Livio Zerbini, Rubbettino Editore, Soveria Mannelli 2010, 499 pp., in "Epigraphica", LXXIII, 1-2 (2011), pp. 381-389). In the II International Conference on "Rome and the Danubian provinces", organized by me, again at the University of Ferrara, 20 to 22 November 2013, was attended by 92 scholars from 18 countries, a tangible sign of the growing interest in the Danube in the Roman world. The III International Conference on "Rome and the Danubian provinces " will be held in Vienna in October 2015, and will be organized by the Laboratory for studies and research on the Ancient Danube provinces, together with the University of Vienna, under my direction and Prof. Fritz Mitthof, a professor at the University of Vienna.

Finally, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has supported this year's Italian Archaeological Mission at the site of Halmyris, on the delta of the Danube, in collaboration with Dr. Mihail Zahariade, where this year, as Director of the Italian Archaeological Mission, is have made the first measurements of the excavation.

In 2008, the scientific activity in Georgia had its most important outcome with the discovery made by me and by prof. Vakhtang Licelli, Director of the Department of Archaeology at the State University of Tbilisi (Georgia), a large necropolis, on the edge of Colchis, and more precisely between the villages of Tmogvi and Tsunda, in the province of Aspindza, consisting of 318 graves, dated from IV-III millennium B.C. the second or third century A.D. Because of their importance, archaeological excavations within the scope of those promoted and supported by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and I became the Director of the Italian Archaeological Mission in Georgia, which continues every year since 2009 the excavations on the site of the necropolis.