Online Seminar Series "Leonardo Morlino"
Organised by the Sartori Centre

The Giovanni Sartori Centre for Comparative Politics (an interuniversity research centre) presents an **online seminar series** dedicated to Leonardo Morlino, aimed at the presentation and **discussion of ongoing research and research agendas** in the fields of political and social sciences.

The initiative seeks to provide an **open space for scientific exchange**, welcoming both works in progress and research projects and agendas at a formative stage, with the additional goal of fostering scientific collaboration, particularly among scholars at different stages of their academic careers.

The series will welcome contributions from different disciplines within the political and social sciences, promoting critical dialogue across disciplinary perspectives, theoretical approaches, and methodological traditions. While respecting this plurality, the series will privilege comparative approaches, in line with the method fruitfully established by Sartori in the study of political systems.

Special consideration will be given to research addressing the following areas: political and institutional processes in comparative perspective; political parties and electoral dynamics; public policies; transformations of democracy; social change; inequalities, gender, and intersectionality; participation, conflict, and social movements.

The aims of the series are twofold: on the one hand, to promote collective discussion of research under development by offering theoretical and methodological feedback; on the other, **to strengthen**

the scholarly community through an inclusive approach attentive to local, national, and international dimensions. Starting from the universities that constitute the Sartori Centre—University of Florence, University of Siena, University of Pisa, Scuola Normale Superiore, and School of Advanced Studies Sant'Anna—the series seeks **to enhance national academic networks** and foster ongoing exchange, while also maintaining a strong international outlook, including through **the involvement of visiting scholars** based at the various institutions.

The seminars will be held **online on a monthly basis** and will follow a deliberately light and discussion-oriented format. Meetings will be conducted primarily in **English**, with the possibility of using **Italian** when necessary. In order to ensure maximum inclusivity, presenters are not required to submit a full paper, but only to **send their slides one week prior to the seminar**. To express interest in presenting a contribution, it is sufficient to **submit an abstract** to: centrosartori@dsps.unifi.it.