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Catherine Clare, *St Francis Giving His Mantle to a Poor Man* (2018), detail

Body Politic: *Communitas*, Adaptation, Adaptability

9 May 2025

Sala B, Ca' Bernardo

9.30 **Greetings**

Francesca Santulli

Director, Department of Linguistics
and Comparative Cultural Studies

Alessio Cotugno

Vice-Rector for Communication and
Research Knowledge Valorisation

Laura Tosi

Director, "Progetto di Eccellenza"
on Adaptation/Adaptability

10.00-13.00 **EMU SEMINAR:
CORPOREAL MODERNISM**

Chair: **Max Saunders**

10.00-10.40 *First Speaker*

Mae Losasso (University of Warwick)
Late Lyric, Long Breath

10.40-10.50 Respondent: **Liz Barry**
(University of Warwick)

Coffee Break

11.30-12.10 *Second Speaker*

Christos Hadjiyiannis (University of
Regensburg)

*Charismatic Bodies: Suffering in
Sharon Olds and Louise Glück*

12.10-12.20 Respondent: **Max
Saunders** (University of Birmingham)

12.20-13.00 **discussion/
conversation**

Lunch

15.30 -18.00 **ROUNDTABLE
*Communities and Bodies (Frail,
Historical, Fictional, Real)***

Chair: **Mena Mitrano**

Participants

Max Saunders (University of
Birmingham)

*Future Body Politics in the To-day
and Tomorrow Books*

Cristina Fossaluzza (Ca' Foscari)
*Ripensare la comunità a partire da
Weimar. Progetti dimenticati del
secondo dopoguerra in Italia*

Adriano Ardovino (University of
Chieti-Pescara) and **Pia Masiero**
(Ca' Foscari)

*Adaptable and/or adaptive reader:
notes on reading Philip Roth's
Deception*

Liz Barry (University of Warwick)
*Blue Nights: The Ethics and
Aesthetics of Frailty in Modern
Literature and Thought*

Marina Morbiducci (Sapienza
University of Rome)
*Narrative Medicine, Physicality and
Discourse*

Mena Mitrano (Ca' Foscari)
From Biopolitics to Charmé

18.30 Reception



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