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## *The Unusual Path of Sardinian Fertility Transition*

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### Summary:

Findings from the Princeton Project show that fertility decline in Italy, as in other European countries, followed its own specific path. Despite initially low levels compared to other Southern regions, fertility levels in Sardinia went on to become the highest in Italy during the 1950s. While the national average was around 2.3 and that of the south was 3.2, the TFR of Sardinia was approaching 4 children per woman. In contrast, Sardinia presently has the lowest fertility levels of all the Italian regions. Here I will explore this peculiar path, using both aggregate and individual data.

### Biography:

Master's degree in Biology at Parma University and PhD in Anthropological Sciences at Bologna University. In 2015 he obtained the national scientific qualification for the post of Associate Professor in Demography and Social Statistics. He is currently working at the Spanish National Research Council in Spain on a project (Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellow - IF) which aims to increase understanding of fertility in Southern Europe. Dr. Mazzone has collaborated with national and international research groups. He is a co-author of a comparative paper on the importance of SES in the fertility decline in Europe and America. His current research interests include historical demography and demography. Secretary of the Italian Society of Historical Demography (SIDEs) from 2012 to 2018.

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