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WORKSHOP MAYOR AND CITIES: WHAT'S NEW

One of the first subjects of research of Ariele's Polis Group is about the role of the Mayor, which in Italy represents the most significant and generally acknowledged junction between institutions and the civil society. The interviews with a sample of small and medium-large City Mayors in some of the Lombard provinces explored the richness and complexity of this role, which combines different areas of responsibility and relational vertexes, among which, in particular, there are:

- listening and representing the interests, needs and aspirations of the voting citizens and local communities;
 - the responsibility of the functioning of the city's organizational machine
 - the management of the working groups at every level;
 - the two-way relationship with all roles, inside and outside administration;
- the personal ability to embed work and personal life, duty and love.

The psychosocioanalytical individual interviews revealed some common issues about the role combined with a very high level of anxiety, which makes the capacity of coping one of the main issues to be effective in the role.

The Covid-19 pandemia and the consequent medical emergency stressed an already difficult situation, placing the Mayors of the main cities at the core of citizen's needs and expectations.

In the workshop we will therefore ask ourselves if the Mayor is, today, the organizer of the local community needs or its scapegoat.

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Elena Nascimbene, a long experience in public and private organizations, where she has always played the role of communications manager.

She has been a professor and a lecturer on internal communication for the Catholic University of Milan. She has been a communication trainer and counselor for the Province of Bolzano, Genova and the City of Sassari. She has lectured on communication for officials of the Province of Treviso in the learning process for the local newspaper creation.

She is currently involved with Milan's Democratic Party as a member of the Metropolitan Management. She is an active member of several research groups on the subject of dreams, and she is working on the development of a psychosocioanalytical thought applied to the polis.

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