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SHORT BIO

Massimiliano Demata holds a DPhil in English Studies at the University of Oxford and is Full Professor of English Linguistics at the University of Catania. He has published many articles and book chapters on political and media discourse in the UK and the USA, conspiracy theories, computer-mediated communication, the language of populism and discourses of borders, nationalism and immigration. His latest single-authored monograph is *Discourses of Nation and the Borders in the USA* (Routledge 2022) and in 2023 he co-authored *Voices of Supporters. Populist parties, social media and the 2019 European elections* (John Benjamins). He co-edited *Conspiracy Theory Discourses* (John Benjamins 2022) and the *Routledge Handbook of Discourse and Disinformation* (2024). He has lectured or has been visiting professor in universities in Austria, Germany, Israel, Luxembourg, Sweden, the UK and the USA. He is also the Editor of the *Journal of Language and Discrimination*, published by the University of Toronto Press.

RESEARCH AREAS

Discourse analysis and Critical Discourse Analysis; Border Studies; Computer-mediated communication; multimodality; metaphors and figurative language; populism and discourse; political and media discourse.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS (selection)

8.9-15.9.2024: Visiting Professor, Department of Swedish and Multilingualism, University of Stockholm.

2.2023-6-2023: Research Fellow, Collegium de Lyon. Research project on “Conspiracy Theories: Discourse Strategies and the Language of Persuasion in the social media environment”.

17.1- 26.1.2023: Visiting Professor, Sciences Po Bordeaux. Course (12 hours) on “Borders and Nationalism: discourses of inclusion/exclusion, identity, security”.

11.2022-1.2023: Lady Davis Fellowship, Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Research project on “Security or separation? Negotiating the Israeli West Bank Barrier in the Discourse of

Israel's English-speaking media". Course (24 hours) on "Discourses of Borders, Walls and Nations".

15.03-03.06.2022: Visiting Professor/Lecturer, employed by OTH Regensburg (Ostbayerische Technische Hochschule Regensburg), Germany, financed by the Förderung ausländischer Gastdozenten zu Lehrtätigkeiten an deutschen Hochschulen programme of DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst). Three classes for 12 weeks of teaching: 1) "Discourse Analysis", for undergraduates, 4 SWS (Semesterwochenstunden, weekly semester hours) 2) "Media Analysis: Framing/Racism", for undergraduates, 4 SWS; 3) "Framing Violence and War in Discourse", for postgraduates, 2 SWS. Total hours of teaching: 120.

13.09.2021-09.10.2021: Visiting Professor/Guest Lecturer, appointed by Sciences Po Lyon, France. Module (30 hours of teaching) on "Discourses of Borders: nations, walls, security", as part of DFES (Diploma of French and European Studies).

1.7-30.8.2020: Visiting Professor, UniGR-Center for Border Studies and Department of British, North American, and Anglophone Literatures and Cultures, Universität des Saarlandes, Saarbrücken, Germany, with a visiting research Fellowship, awarded by DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst).

10.2.2020-28.2.2020: Teaching Staff Erasmus+ Mobility, Sciences Po Lyon, France. Module (24 hours of teaching) on "The Brexit factor and the EU-UK relations: populism, nationalism, Eurosceptism", as part of DFES (Diploma of French and European Studies).

22.11-22.12.2019: Visiting Professor, UniGR-Center for Border Studies and Department of British, North American, and Anglophone Literatures and Cultures, Universität des Saarlandes, Saarbrücken, Germany, financed by a grant awarded by the Department of Cultures, Politics and Society, University of Turin.

2019-2023: Member of the School of Doctorate in Philological-Literary, Historical-Philosophical and Artistic Sciences, 35th, 36th and 37th cycles, University of Parma. Coordinator: prof. Italo Testa.

01-06.2014: Visiting Scholar (Fulbright Fellow), School of Library and Information Science, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, USA, with a Fulbright Fellowship, awarded by the US-Italy Fulbright Commission.

2009-2012: Member of the School of Doctorate in Translation Theory and Practice, 27th and 28th cycles. University of Bari. Coordinator: Prof. A. Sportelli

01.2005-12.2017: Ricercatore Confermato (Assistant Professor, Tenured) in English Language and Translation, Department of Letters, Languages and Arts, University of Bari, Italy

10.2003-06.2004: Grade A Lecturer in English, St Catherine's College, Oxford; Tutor in English, Magdalen College and St Hilda's College, Oxford

10.2002-06.2004: Grade A Lecturer in English, St Catherine's College, Oxford; Tutor in English, Magdalen College and St Hilda's College, Oxford.

01.-06.2000: Lecturer in English, Mansfield College, Oxford

2000-03: Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, University of Bari, Italy

03.1999-06.1999: Visiting Fulbright Scholar/Research Affiliate, Faculty of English, Yale University

01.1999-02.1999: Newlands Visiting Scholar, Department of English Literature and Language, Faculty of Arts, University of Glasgow

EDUCATION

1995-99: D.Phil. in English, Exeter College (1995-97), St Cross College (1997-99), University of Oxford.

1994-95: M.St. (Master of Studies) in English, Exeter College, Oxford.

1993-94: M.Phil. (Master of Philosophy) in English, University of Glasgow.

1989-93: Laurea (four-year BA) in Foreign Modern Languages and Literature, Istituto Universitario Orientale, Naples. Final Mark: 110/110 e lode ("cum laude").

UNIVERSITY AWARDS AND GRANTS

05.2017	Grant from TUCEP (Tiber Umbria Comet Education Programme) for Staff mobility for teaching, Erasmus+.
2014	Fulbright Fellowship, US-Italy Fulbright Commission
06. 2000	Short-term Fellowship, Bibliographical Society of America
1998-00	Wingate Scholarship, Harold Hyam Wingate Foundation
1998-99	Fulbright Research Fellowship, US-Italy Fulbright Commission
1997-98	Paula Soans O'Brian Graduate Scholarship, St Cross College, Oxford
1995-97	British Academy Studentship
1994-96	Postgraduate Study Scholarship. Istituto Universitario Orientale, Naples

RESEARCH PROJECTS AND GROUPS

2024-27: participant to the CONSPIRE research group (CONSPIracism and Radicalisation Risks in Europe), Erasmus+, KA220-HED - Cooperation partnerships in higher education, as part of the University of Turin unit.

2024-: Member of the "POTENT – Post-Truth English Teaching" research group, led by the University of Bergen (<https://www.uib.no/en/rg/potent>).

2022-23: Principal Investigator per la Grant for Internationalization in "Experiments in Democracy. Refugee policy and innovation in democratic praxis and discourse", University of Turin.

2023- Member of the Scientific Board and Coordinator of the University of Turin of the Interuniversity Research Group "Dis-4Change: Studi sul Discorso Climatico e Ambientale".

Since 11.2021: Member of CIRM (Centro Interuniversitario di Ricerca sulle Metafore – Interuniversity Research centre on Metaphors) (<https://cirm.unige.it/>)

3.2021-3.2023: Quality Assessor/Evaluator/External Adviser for the Erasmus+ project CoMMiTTed (Covid, Migrants and Minorities in Teacher Education: A Fake News Observatory to promote Critical Thinking and Digital Literacy in Times of Crisis), University of Hamburg (coordinator), University of Navarra, University of Aveiro e Tilburg University.

Since 02.2021: Member of the research network “UNA Europa. Humour in the European public sphere. Fostering societal debate about contested expression in a globalizing world”.

Since 03.2018: member of the Scientific Committee of “TO-Europe. Centro studi sull’Europa (TO-EU)”, Department of Cultures, Politics and Society, University of Turin.

Since 10.2016: Member of the Center for Computer-Mediated Communication, Indiana University.

OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Since 1.2021: Editor of *Journal of Language and Discrimination*, published by the University of Toronto Press.

Since 6.2020: Member of the Advisory Board of *CADAAD Journal* (Critical Approaches to Discourse Analysis Across Disciplines), edited by Charlotte Taylor and Bertie Kaal.

Since 2.2019: Member of the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Language Aggression and Conflict*, edited by Pilar Blitvich and Maria Sifianou, John Benjamins Publishing Company.

EXTERNAL REVIEWER FOR PROJECTS/INSTITUTIONS

Austrian Science Fund (FWF) (<https://www.fwf.ac.at/en/>)

National Science Center (NCN), Poland

Polish-US Fulbright Commission

Università Ca’ Foscari, Venice, Italy

“The Reception and Translation of Foreign Cultures in British Romantic Periodicals, 1802-1817”, University of Leuven (KU Leuven), Belgium

US-Italy Fulbright Commission

BLIND PEER REVIEWER FOR ACADEMIC JOURNALS

Anglistica AION

Atlantic Journal of Communication

CADAAD Journal.

Critical Discourse Studies

Discourse, Context & Media
Echo
English Studies
ESP Across Cultures
Humanities & Social Sciences Communications
I-LanD Journal
Iperstoria
Iperstoria
Journal of Corpora and Discourse Studies
Journal of Language Aggression and Conflict.
Journal of Language and Politics
Journal of Pragmatics
Lingue e Linguaggi
Linguistics Vanguard
mediAzioni
metaphorik.de
Multimodal Communication
PLOS ONE
Populism
Postdigital Science and Education
Pragmatics and Society
ReCALL
Sage Open
Studies in Communication Sciences
Text & Talk
InVerbis.

PLENARY/KEYNOTE SPEECHES

CLAVIER – Media discourse in times of crisis, Università di Catania, 6-7 November 2025.
 Title of keynote: “Crossing the borders of science and anti-science. Linguistic, communicative and methodological challenges.”

Politics and Emotions 2025, 9-10 October 2025, Centre d’Études Linguistiques – Corpus, Discours et Sociétés, Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3. Invited as plenary speaker. Title of keynote: “Immoral panic, fear and hate. The emotional politics of conspiracies and disinformation”.

FOM@Play: Migration, identity and transnational discourses, 2-5 September 2025, Universidad de Granada. Invited as plenary speaker. Title of keynote: “Conspiracy and disinformation about migrants: the Great Replacement and discourse manipulation”.

Espèces d'espaces: lo spazio come lente di analisi (r)esistenziale, Università di Napoli “L’Orientale”, 12-13 December 2024. Invited as keynote speaker. Title of keynote: “Landscapes of power. Verbal and visual hegemonies in Trump's discourse of borders”.

4th International Conference EnTRetextos, University of Valencia, 23-25 October 2024. Invited as keynote speaker. Title of keynote: “Discursive mimicry and ideological struggle. The language of anti-science, conspiracy and disinformation”.

“Epidemic Remedies in Medical Writing (1500-1920)”. Università di Ferrara, Dipartimento di Studi Umanistici, 18-19 June 2024. Invited as keynote speaker. Title of keynote: “Constructing an alternative discourse of science? The pandemic, disinformation and conspiracy theories”.

“Forme e pratiche di resistenza e coesistenza in letteratura, linguistica e traduzione”, Graduate Conference, Università di Bologna, Dipartimento di Lingue, Letterature e Culture Moderne, 6-7 giugno 2024. Invited as keynote speaker. Title of keynote: “Crossing academic and national boundaries. Critical Discourse Studies, borders and the interdisciplinary challenges to discourse and language in society”.

Yale University, Faculty of Arts and Science, online lecture for the seminar on Misinformation: Linguistic and Sociological Perspectives. 7 March 2024. Title of lecture: “The Discourse of Conspiracy Theories”.

Universität Wien, Wiener Sprachgesellschaft. 23 January 2024. Title of Lecture: "The discursive construction of borders walls and national identity in the age of populism." https://wsg.univie.ac.at/veranstaltungen/massimiliano-demata-the-discursive-construction-of-border-walls-and-national-identity-in-the-age-of-populism/?mc_id=33

9th Critical Approaches to Discourse Analysis across Disciplines Conference (CADAAD), Bergamo, 6-8 July 2022. Invited as Keynote Speaker. Keynote on “Conspiracy Theories as (Counter-)Narratives in the Public Sphere: Theoretical Challenges for Critical Discourse Analysis”.

Universität des Saarlandes, 29-30 November 2019, American Studies Graduate Forum 2019 su “Liquid Trajectories: Flight, Mobility, and Migration”. Invited as keynote speaker. Keynote on “Building walls and preventing waves and flows. Populism, nationalism and the metaphorization of insecurity”.

LECTURES BY INVITATION

1. Alpen-Adria Universität Klagenfurt, 19 May 2022. Guest lecture on “Discourses of Borders and the Nation in the USA: A Discourse-Historical Analysis”, organised by the Institut für Anglistik.
2. Saarland University, 1 June 2021, Online lecture on “A Nation of Heroes. Figurative Language and the Discourse of COVID-19 in Great Britain”.
3. Saarland University, 26 November 2020. Centre for Lifelong Learning, North American Literary and Cultural Studies, and UniGR-Center for Border Studies. Online lecture on “Discourses of Brexit and Post-Brexit: National Identity and Nativism”
4. Saarland University, 10 December 2019. Faculty of English Linguistics, BA in English: Linguistics, Literature, and Cultures. Class on “Discourse Analysis and Political Discourse”
5. Saarland University, 29-30 November 2019, American Studies Graduate Forum 2019 on “Liquid Trajectories: Flight, Mobility, and Migration”. Keynote speaker with a lecture on “Building walls and preventing waves and flows. Populism, nationalism and the metaphorization of insecurity”

6. University of Luxembourg, 28 November 2019. Guest lecturer on “Borders & Discourses”, module on “Introduction to Cultural Border Studies”, MA in Border Studies (Universities of Saarland, Luxembourg, Lorraine and Kaiserslautern)
7. University of Messina, 18 July 2019. Scuola di Eccellenza 2019, “La democrazia ai tempi dei social network”. Lecture on “Il paradigma populista. Discorso pubblico e strategie di comunicazione ai tempi dei social network”
8. University of Duisburg-Essen, Department of Anglophone Studies, 6 December 2017. Lecture on "Foreign criminals and domestic victims. Representations of cybercrime in British tabloids", postgraduate seminar “Tabloidisation: People, Pictures and Profanities”
9. University of Leeds, Multimodal Satellite, 23 November 2017. Lecture on “Multimodal Communication, Politics and Social Media: Verbal and Visual Language in Donald Trump’s Facebook Page”
10. University of Oxford, St Cross College, 21 November 2017. Lecture on “Social Media and the New Language of Politics”
11. University of Catania, 30 March 2017, conference on “Discourses of heart and mind”. Lecture on “Building nations and strong unions. Metaphors in American political discourse”.
12. University of Salerno, 15 December 2016, MA in International Relations. Lecture on ““Twitter and Facebook and all of this stuff”. Social media and multimodality in the 2016 US Presidential elections”

CONFERENCE PAPERS (selection)

1. 10th Critical Approaches to Discourse Analysis Across Disciplines (CADAAD) Conference, 8-10 luglio 2026, Universidad de Valladolid. Paper on “From fake news and misinformation to social unrest: The case of the 2024 UK riots”.
2. 10th Critical Approaches to Discourse Analysis Across Disciplines (CADAAD) Conference, 8-10 luglio 2026, Universidad de Valladolid. Chairing and organising a panel with Giuseppe Balirano and Majid KhosraviNik on “Transformative Approaches to Discourse Studies (TADS)”
3. 3rd CONNOR Annual Conference “Critical Turns in Conspiracy Theory Studies”, University of Tartu, Estonia, 21–22 maggio 2026. Paper on ““Please Vote for Trump, So Haitian Immigrants Don’t Eat Us”: Epistemic Legitimation and Discursive and Communicative Strategies in the Pet-Eating Conspiracy Theory”.
4. International conference “Gender and/in migration”, Università di Napoli Parthenope, 3-4 July 2025. Paper on “Donald Trump, the ‘Bad Hombres’ and the disappearance of the migrant women”.
5. PACT Conference: Populism, Conspiracy Theories and the War Against Ukraine Academic Conference, University of Tallinn, 25-27 September 2024. Paper on “Discursive Constructions and Legitimation of ‘Truth’: The Hammer/Scorecard Conspiracy Theory”.
6. Disruptive borderlands. Unpacking the innovative potential of transbordering practices, imaginaries and policies, LISER, University of Luxembourg, 4-6 September 2024. Paper on “DHA and the radical right legitimization of border walls and fences”.
7. 9th Critical Approaches to Discourse Analysis Across Disciplines (CADAAD) Conference, Poznan, 10-12 July 2024. Paper on ““We don't have a country if we don't have borders. We will build a wall.” Border walls and fences, populist rhetoric and the practice of “othering””.

8. 9th Critical Approaches to Discourse Analysis across Disciplines Conference (CADAAD), Bergamo, 6-8 July 2022. Paper on “Scotland: Scottish, British or European? The Brexit referendum and the negotiation of national identity by SNP supporters on Twitter”.
9. Royal Geographical Society-IBG Annual International Conference, 31 August-3 September 2021. Paper with Élisabeth Vallet (University of Quebec at Montreal) on “At war with the coronavirus. Symbolism, borders and the pandemic”.
10. A-MODE International Conference: Approaches to Multimodal Digital Environments: from theories to practice, Università di Roma “Tor Vergata”, 20-22 June 2019. Paper: ““A victory for ordinary (connected) people”. Social media, multimodality and populism”
11. ADDA 2 – Approaches to Digital Discourse Analysis, University of Turku, 23-25 May 2019. Paper: “We the (connected) People. The language of populism in social media”
12. Populism, Liberalism, Democracy – 3rd Populism Specialist Group (PSA) Workshop, Loughborough University, 12-13 April 2019. Paper: “Riding the populist wave. Metaphorical constructions of populism in news media”
13. “In the name of the people. Representing the people in twenty-first century politics,” University of Navarra, Spain, 22-24 November 2018. Paper: “Metaphors of “populist” and “populism” in British news media”
14. “Authenticity, Believability & Deception”. Online panel, Center for Computer-Mediated Communication, Indiana University, 19 October 2018. Paper: “Claiming authenticity as a discourse strategy in politics”
15. “Political Discourse - Multidisciplinary Approaches #2: New discourses of populism and nationalism”, Edinburgh Napier University, 21-22 June 2018. Paper: “Jeremy Corbyn and left-wing populism in Britain”
16. 43. Österreichische Linguistiktagung, Workshop on “Populism & Language / Populismus & Sprache”, 8-10 December 2017. Paper: ““Ye are many, they are few”. Jeremy Corbyn’s language and left-wing populism”
17. XXVIII Convegno Nazionale AIA (Associazione Italiana di Anglistica), “Worlds of Words: Complexity, Creativity, and Conventionality in English Language, Literature and Culture”, Università degli Studi di Pisa, 14-16 September 2017. Paper: ““Donald Trump’s populist language and Twitter”
18. Workshop “Metaphors in the Discourse of the National”, 8-9 September 2016, University di Oslo, Norway. Paper: ““The State of our Union is Strong”. Metaphors of the nation in the State of the Union addresses”
19. 6th Critical Approaches to Discourse Analysis across Disciplines Conference (CADAAD), 5-7 September 2016, University of Catania, Italy. Paper: “Nationalism and discursive constructions of borders in the 2016 United States Presidential Campaign”
20. ESSE 2016 Conference, National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland, 22-26 August 2016. Seminar S16, ““The Discursive Representation of Globalised Organised Crime: Crossing Borders of Languages and Cultures”. Paper: “The Language of Fear: Cybercrime and “the borderless realms of cyberspace” in British news”
21. III International Conference “Lingue Linguaggi e Politica – Lingue e comunicazione politica nella globalizzazione”, Macerata, 11-12 February 2016. Paper: “Political communication and multimodality in the Facebook pages of Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump”

PUBLICATIONS (selection)

Books

1. BORZA, N., DEMATA, M., FILARDO-LLAMAS, L., GUSTAFSSON, A. W., KOLLER, V., KOPF, S., MIGLBAUER, M., REGGI, V., SARIC, L., SEILER BRYLLA, C., STOPFNER, M. (2023) *Voices of Supporters: Populist parties, social media and the 2019 European elections*, Amsterdam: John Benjamins.
2. Demata, M. (2022). *Discourses of Borders and the Nation in the USA: A Discourse-Historical Analysis*. London-New York: Routledge. ISBN: 9781032263687.
3. Demata, M. (2008). *Representations of War and Terrorism. The Ideology and Language of George W. Bush*, Modugno (BA): Edizioni Dal Sud. ISBN: 88-7553-049-1.

Edited Books

1. Maci, S., Demata, M., McGlashan, M., Seargeant, P. (eds.) (2023) *The Routledge Handbook of Discourse and Disinformation*. London: Routledge.
2. Demata, M., Zorzi, V., Zottola, A. (eds.) (2022). *Conspiracy Theory Discourses*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.

Edited special issues of journals

1. DEMATA, M., KNOBLOCK, N., ZUMMO, M. (ed. by) (2022) ““The Languages and Anti-Languages of Health Communication in the Age of Conspiracy Theories, Mis/Disinformation and Hate Speech”, special issue of *Lingue e Linguaggi*. Vol. 47, ISSN 2239-0367, e-ISSN 2239-0359.
2. Demata, M. Mariano, M. (eds.) (2020). “Euro-American Relations in the Age of Globalization”, special issue of *De Europa*.
3. Demata, M., Lorenzetti, M. I. (eds.) (2020). “Populism and Its Languages”, vol. 15, Spring/Summer 2020, special issue of *Iperstoria. Testi letteratura linguaggi*.
4. Demata, M., Saric, L., Vezovnik, A. (eds.) (2018). “Discursive constructions of migrants: verbal and visual images of the “other””, special issue of *I-LanD Journal*, vol. 1/2018. ISSN: 2532-6368.
5. Demata, M., Heaney, D., Herring, S. (eds.) (2018). “Language and Discourse in Social Media: New Challenges, New Approaches”, special issue of *Altre Modernità*.

Book chapters (selection)

1. DEMATA, M., WODAK, R. (2026- forthcoming). “The discursive construction of walls and fences: nationalist and far-right “othering” through borders”. In Vallet, E. & J. Laine (eds.) *The Handbook of Border Walls and Fences*. Edward Elgar.
2. DEMATA, M. (2026). “Antiscience Discourse”. In: Nesi, H., Milin, P. (eds.), *International Encyclopedia of Language and Linguistics*, 3e. Vol 7., pp. 516–520. UK: Elsevier. <https://dx.doi.org/10.1016/B978-0-323-95504-1.01613-6>.
3. Demata, M. (2025) “Reconfiguring Borders: The Role of Conspiracy Theories in Shaping Knowledge and Information Flows in Online Discourse.” In *Oxford Intersections: Borders*. Ed. Valentina Baú. Oxford, England: Oxford University Press. ISBN: 9780198945222.
<https://academic.oup.com/edited-volume/61655/chapter-abstract/540206661?redirectedFrom=fulltext>
4. Demata, M. (2025). “Fighting (for) truth? Alex Jones, the WHO and the legitimization of conspiracy discourse.” In M. M. Roslyng, A. M. Jönsson, & A. Rantasila (eds.). *Communicating Science, Climate Change and the Environment in Hybrid Media: Constructed Facts, Contested Truths*. Routledge. Routledge Studies in Media, Communication, and Politics, pp. 89-111. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003479550-8>

5. Demata, M., Filmer, D. (2025). "Critical approaches to conspiracy theories in the EAL classroom: deconstructing The Great Replacement Theory." In Hild Elisabeth Hoff and Aud Solbjørg Skulstad (eds.) *The post-truth era and English language education: Conceptual, theoretical and empirical issues*, pp. 150-168. London-New York: Routledge. ISBN: 9781032764313 doi: 10.4324/9781003478409-12
6. Demata, M., Filmer, D. (2024). "Teaching English as an additional language: employing a multimodal critical discourse analysis approach to the language of newspapers." In S. Silvestri, C. Cavallini (eds.), *Lingue e apprendimento multimodale per lo sviluppo sociale, inclusivo, multiculturale*, Bari: Cacucci, pp. 87-105.
7. Demata, M. (2024). "The legitimization of conspiracy theories through manipulation. The case of climate lockdowns." In Cornelia Ilie (ed.), *Manufacturing Dissent: Manipulation and Counter-manipulation in Times of Crisis*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins, pp. 157-183. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1075/pbns.339.05dem>
8. Demata, M. (2023). "Scottish, British or European? The Brexit referendum and the negotiation of national identity by SNP supporters on Twitter", in N. Borza, M. Demata et al. (eds.) *Voices of Supporters: Populist parties, social media and the 2019 European elections*. Amsterdam, John Benjamins.
9. Demata, M., Zummo, M. L. (2020). "'The war is over'. Militarizing the language and framing the Nation in post-Brexit discourse", in G. Balirano, B. Hughes (eds.) *Homing in on Hate. Critical Discourse Studies of Hate Speech, Discrimination and Inequality in the Digital Age*. Napoli: Liguori Editore. pp. 169-186. ISBN 9788832193596.
10. Demata, M. (2020). "Populism and nationalism in Jeremy Corbyn's discourse." In M. Kranert (ed.) *Discursive Approaches to Populism across Disciplines. The Return of Populists and the People*. Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 253-283. ISBN: 978-3-030-55038-7
11. Demata, M. (2019). "Political Communication and Multimodality: the Facebook pages of Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump", in A. Cancellier, A. Barchiesi, M. Anquetil and A. Francesconi (eds.) *Lingue, Linguaggi e Politica – Lingua e comunicazione politica nella globalizzazione*, Padova: CLEUP, pp. 25-46. ISBN: 9788854950863.
12. Demata, M. (2019). "'The State of our union is strong'. Metaphors of the nation in the State of the Union address." In L. Saric and M. Stanojevic (eds.) *Metaphors, Nations and Discourse*, Amsterdam: John Benjamins, pp. 201-223. ISBN: 9789027202499.
13. Demata, M. (2019). "The referendum delivered a clear message". Jeremy Corbyn's populist discourse", in V. Koller, S. Kopf and M. Miglbauer (eds.), *Discourses of Brexit*, London: Routledge, 123-139. ISBN: 978-1-138-48554-9.
14. Demata, M. (2015). "Portrait of a Nation and its Borders: British political parties and representation of territory in the 2014 European elections", in C. Consiglio (ed.) *Ritratti*, Lecce: Pensa Multimedia, pp. 113-126. ISBN: 978-88-6760-243-8.
15. Demata, M. (2014) "English interferences in Italian journalism: the use of anglicisms in *Il Fatto Quotidiano*", in D. Torretta (ed. by) *Contacts. Studies in Intralinguistic, Interlinguistic and Intersemiotic Relationships*, Bari, Edizioni dal Sud, pp. 137-157. ISBN: 978-88-7553-200
16. Demata, M. (2013) "Translation and Revolution: The Case of Guglielmo Pepe's *Relazione delle circostanze relative agli avvenimenti politici e militari in Napoli, nel 1820 e nel 1821*", in F. Dellarosa, A. Sportelli (ed. by), *British Risorgimento, vol. II- Temperie politica e rappresentazioni simboliche*, Napoli, Liguori, pp. 153-165. ISBN: 9788820763213.
17. DEMATA M. (2009) "The Prince in England, or the English Prince? Negotiating Ideology in the Seventeenth-Century Translations of Machiavelli's *The Prince*", in D. Torretta, M. Dossena, A. Sportelli (ed. by) *Forms of Migration/Migration of Forms*, Bari, Progedit, pp. 338-351. ISBN: 978-88-6194-057-4.

Journal articles (selection)

1. Demata, M. (2026- forthcoming). Polarization and othering in the age of Disinformation: Haitian Pet-eating Migrants and the Construction of Anti-Immigration Discourse. *ESP Across Cultures*.
2. Demata, M. (2024) "Of infiltrators and wild beasts. Nationalism and populism in Benjamin Netanyahu's narrative of the borders", *Journal of Language and Politics*. 23/3: 438-459. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1075/jlp.23084.dem>
3. Demata, M., Antosa, S. (2021). "Get Covid Done: Discourses on the National Health Service (NHS) during Brexit and the Coronavirus Pandemic", *Textus* 34/2, 47-65.
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