


Partner Presentation Form

Name of the organisation:	ALTERITAS – INTERAZIONE TRA I POPOLI	
Address:	via Seminario 8 – 37129 VERONA	
Tel:	+ 39 045 597683	
Fax:		
Web site:	www.alteritas.it	

Name of the contact person:	Simona Marchesini	
Function:	Scientific Coordinator, Administrator	
Address:	via Seminario 8 – 37129 VERONA	
Tel:	+39 045 597683	
Fax:		
E-mail:	s.marchesini@alteritas.it	

Description of the organisation

The association ALTERITAS – Interazioni tra i popoli – a research institution founded in 2009 and accredited by the Italian Ministry of University and Scientific Research (MIUR) in 2015 – is devoted to the study of interactions among peoples of different origin, language, culture and tradition throughout the history. Thanks to a network of about 50 scholars from different disciplines (archaeology, linguistics, anthropology, history of art, ancient, medieval and modern history), and to the collaboration with numerous research institutions, Alteritas is engaged in research projects characterized by a wide range of topics and approaches in humanities and social sciences. All the projects are aimed at relating the past to today's world, considering migration and interaction among people as constant traits of mankind. Alteritas also organizes meetings, conferences, thematic workshops and book presentations (see www.alteritas.it). As a publisher, it has edited 6 interdisciplinary and international miscellanies, available as open access e-books (<http://www.alteritas.it/bookstore/> and on the [academia.edu](http://www.alteritas.it/academia.edu) page). All the publications are double-blind-peer-reviewed and furnished with ISBN. The association has signed agreements with several universities (Verona, Rome "Tor Vergata", Unisalento-Lecce, Roma "La Sapienza") for cooperation on the study of interactions among peoples in the ancient as well as in the present world. Since 2017 Alteritas belongs, together with six other academic and non-academic partners to the Consortium established in Lecce for the study, restoration and Valorisation of the richest epigraphic environment of the Ancient World: the maritime cave-sanctuary of Grotta Poesia, near Melendugno (Lecce).

Experience of the organization in previous European projects

- 2016-2019: COST Partner of the COST Action "Ancient European Languages and Writings" (IS 1407)
- 2021-2024: Partner of the MSCA RISE project x-Formal – Informal and Non-Formal E-Learning for Cultural Heritage (2021-2024).

Experience and Expertise of the organization in the project's subject area

As a partner of the COST action AELAW (Ancient European Languages and Writings), Alteritas has cooperated in several activities of the action on the topic of Paleo-European languages, organising the second Training School of the action in September 2016, contributing in the creation of a census of languages and inscriptions, organising meetings and congresses on the same topic, hosting Early Career Investigators for the collection of data regarding the languages of Ancient Italy.

Alteritas is partner (and co-coordinator) of the Erasmus+ project "SELECT. Self-learning Atlas of Ancient European Cultures" (KA201-07057; 2020-2023) and of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Action Research and Innovation Staff exchange Project "xFORMAL – Informal and Non-Formal E-Learning for Cultural Heritage" (H2020-MSCA-RISE-2020).

Contributions that can be provided to the project

With the expertise of historical linguists, historians, epigraphists and archaeologists, Alteritas covers all the topic and tasks requested by SELECT, gathering both linguistic-epigraphic and archaeological information which will convey in the ATLAS developed by SELECT. Additionally, thanks to the expertise in coordinating and managing research groups and project tasks, Alteritas will be leader of the Intellectual Output I, the ATLAS. The developed and branched network of partners, both institutions and private research entities, The Association will be able to spread the information on the project throughout a rich range of stakeholders and interested persons.

Reasons of involvement in the project

The project SELECT has been written by UNIGE in close collaboration with Alteritas, which, as a partner of the COST Action Ancient European Languages and Writings (2016-2019), has exploited the intellectual outputs of the project. Alteritas has moreover among its associates many specialists of the languages, archaeology and epigraphy of pre-Roman Italy. Multidisciplinarity and international commitment are the features of the Association, which can profit of a rich network of European institutions for the dissemination of SELECT intellectual outputs.

Contact Person's Experience and Expertise

Dr Phil Simona Marchesini, scientific coordinator at Alteritas, is a specialist in the languages of ancient Italy, writing systems, anthropology of writing and sociolinguistics. She graduated in archaeology in Pisa (1988) and obtained a PhD in Historical Linguistics in Tübingen (D) in 1996. She has published 8 monographs, edited 5 miscellanies and published more than 60 contributions on the languages and writings of Pre-Roman Italy, most of them as invited speaker in international congresses. She has been Vice Chair in the COST Action Ancient European Languages and Writings (IS 1407 AELAW, 2016-2019). Within the action, she hosted at Alteritas 4 Short Term Scientific Missions tutoring ERS. In 2019 she was research fellow at the Trinity College Long Room Hub, Dublin and host professor at the Hungarian Academy of Science in Budapest. She coordinates for Alteritas the two projects awarded in 2020-2021: E+ SELECT and xFORMAL. She is actually member of the European Archaeological Association and of the Indogermanische Gesellschaft.