

Presentation

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Tunisia, with its large network of relationships with Italy, especially with Sardinia, is the focus of the Dossier entitled *Sardegna e Tunisia: Una storia fra due sponde*, edited by Patrizia Manduchi. Through five articles, each by a different time perspective and methodological approach, a varied reading of the human, economic and political exchanges between the Italian Peninsula and Sardinia with the nearest African territories is set forth. Starting from the relationship between Roman Sardinia and Tunisia, when the latter was identified with the power of Carthage, the Dossier runs along the history of the complex migration flows of the 19th and 20th centuries, the establishment of Italian communities divided between the ideals of the *Risorgimento* (literally, “resurgence”) and the colonial interests; and, finally, the phenomenon of many antifascists’ exile, such as Velio Spano, among others, in Tunisia. The Dossier closes with a curious reflection on the small but interesting flow which has seen some Sardinians emigrate again to Tunisian territories over recent years.

This is followed by the Focus: *La realidad del derecho y la historia. Estudios comparados en discapacidad entre Argentina, Brasil y Chile*, edited by Viviana Vrsalovic Henríquez, which comprises three works: an in-depth study of a specific case of mental disability in Argentina from a historical perspective, an analysis of the development of the rights of disabled people in Brazil and a study on the activity carried out over a number of years by the Universidad de los Lagos, Casa de Estudios Superiores del Estado de Chile, the purpose of which is to promote the inclusion of people with disabilities in the field of education and in the workplace.

