



Call for participation to the training school

**Embroidery: terminologies and practices from Antiquity to Early Modern times**

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Organised by Working Groups 2, 3 & 4

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Embroidery was a technique used by textile craftsmen and women since the earliest Antiquity and has given birth to a great diversity of textile traditions in the various parts of the world. Embroidery allows to paint complex patterns on textiles, tell stories and convey messages thanks to figurative and non-figurative patterns, and through calligraphed words. Adding material on an existing fabric, this technique transforms it, adding relief, shine, or colour, enhancing its artistic, technical, and economic qualities. Thanks to the opportunities of the Euroweb network, we aim to offer training on this diverse and complex technique and to gather researchers, trainers, and trainees, of different specializations in order to encourage the exchanges of knowledge and know-how.

Being an event organized jointly by the working groups 2, 3 and 4, the training school will especially address the following questions:

What was the terminology used to describe this technique, tools, and materials in ancient languages and how to properly translate them in modern languages?

How to identify embroidery through ancient sources: textile remains, texts and iconography?

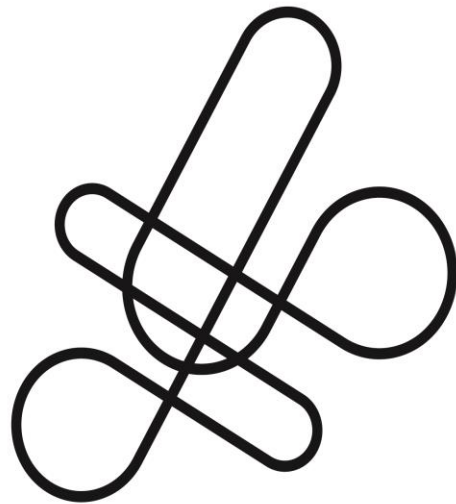
What embroidery and embroiders tells us of past societies and cultures: what stories tells the embroidered textiles ? When and how people wear embroidered garments and made embroidered textiles; were embroideries made by specialized craftsmen?

**This training school will offer:**

- theoretical trainings on embroidery: terminology, technique, fibres and tools
- practical trainings
- presentations of case studies by trainees

Following the rules of COST training schools, interested trainees are kindly asked to apply, before the **20th of February 2022**, sending a short motivation letter and a CV to: francesco.meo@unisalento.it, louise.quillien@gmail.com and m.m.wozniak@uw.edu.pl.

We offer a maximum of **12 positions** – the selection of the candidates will be processed by the Core Group. We especially encourage application of ECI and PhD students. Participation costs will be refunded by COST to each eligible applicant – please check that you are a member of Euroweb registered on the e-COST platform.



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