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**Titre de la thèse :** «There are illegalities that are not crimes» An investigation into political violence and paramilitary bodies in Ireland before the Great War.

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**Sujet de thèse / projet de recherche en quelques lignes :**

My research studies the phenomenon of paramilitary volunteer groups that developed in Ireland in the early 20th century. Underlying the study are four organisations founded between 1909 and 1913 within the Unionist, Nationalist, and Trade Unionist movements.

In addition to analysing similarities and differences, some of the topics of study are the use of culture and propaganda, the reaction by institutions, legality, and the historical precedents of the use of political violence in the emergence of these organisations.

The aim of this research is therefore to understand the emergence of paramilitarism in modern times in liberal societies before the Great War from a European and global perspective.

**Qu'est-ce qui vous a mené aux études irlandaises ?**

During my Master's degree at the University of Padua, I decided to spend a semester abroad as an Erasmus student and by chance I decided on Dublin. During this time I decided to write my research thesis on Irish history having spoken to some Italian and Irish researchers. I fell in love with this country, its culture and history and 5 years after that experience I am lucky enough to continue researching on these topics.

**Vos conseils pour d'autres doctorant·es / jeunes chercheurs ?**

The best suggestion I can give to a PhD student or young researcher like me is first of all to love your work. Not only his research, but also the daily routine of studying, meeting colleagues, planning work and missions.

The second suggestion I can give is to throw yourself into it, to face with courage all the challenges you face, never to be afraid. To want is to be able.

### **Centres d'intérêts en dehors de la recherche**

My hobbies are cooking and cinema. Cooking for people I love and spending a nice evening watching a film are the things I enjoy most.

I like to travel and explore secret places that are close by but are often overlooked.

Meeting new people and things always gives me great pleasure and I like to think that every day is an adventure from which I can discover something new.

### **Autres commentaires**

