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Risorgimento in Exile: Italian Romantic émigrés and the Post-Napoleonic Liberal International

Exile represented a key experience in shaping the Italian national identity. My research project aiming at the completion of a book entitled *Risorgimento in Exile* investigates the contribution of the Italian exile community in England in the post-Napoleonic era to imagining a new Italian political and economic community. By looking at the writings and letters of such exiles, I intend to show that these *émigrés'* involvement in debates with British, continental and American intellectuals, hitherto ignored in the historiography, points to the emergence of liberalism and patriotism as international ideologies shared by a community of intellectuals and revolutionaries from Southern Europe as well as Latin America.