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Title: A Porous Narrative

My talk, provisionally titled “A Porous Narrative,” is about the intersection of two parallel worlds at Lampedusa: that of tourism and of immigration. Famed for the beauty of its beaches, this paradisiacal island is routinely confronted to its crucial geopolitical role. Here, singularly, the worlds of tourists and asylum seekers seem to quite never disrupt one another, a condition that I would like to analyse turning to the concept of porosity.

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