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HEROES OF THE STRUGGLE AGAINST THE MAFIA

An Illustrated Talk by John Dickie
Monday 9th November 2020 at 7.30 pm

John will talk about some of the moving stories of courage that mark every moment of Italy's struggle against the mafia organizations that have dogged it since the foundation of the Italian state in 1861. For the last century and a half, men and women, some famous and some unknown, have shown bravery and determination in the fight against a lethal, unscrupulous and polymorphous foe. Yet in recent years, Italy has learned to value qualities that are ultimately more effective than heroism against the mafia, such as professionalism, teamwork, and an ability to learn the lessons of the past. How did Italy manage to become a land that no longer needs quite so many heroes? And who were the heroes responsible for that transformation?

John Dickie is Professor of Italian Studies at University College London. He is an internationally recognised specialist on many aspects of Italian history and his books have been translated into more than twenty languages.

