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Biography

Lara Piccardo is studying particularly the relations between the Soviet Union and the European Communities. It is the topic of her PhD. thesis, successfully discussed at the University of Pavia in 2004. In September of the same year she obtained a grant as postdoctoral researcher, keeping on her researches and preparing a book, which is forthcoming, about the fifth enlargement of the EU. Since November 2006, she is titular of the Jean Monnet module entitled *History of European political parties*.