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Abstracts

ALBERTO BASCIANI, I rapporti tra Italia e Albania tra le due guerre mondiali. Un profilo

This article examines the political relations between Italy and Albania in the years between the two world wars. Albania has always held a special place in Italian foreign policy and with the advent of Fascism it became one of the targets of the Fascists' aggressive designs. A hegemonic position in Albania would mean for Mussolini strengthening his leading role in the Adriatic, conquering an important base for the penetration in South-Eastern Europe and hence threatening Yugoslavia. From the second half of the Thirties the objective of political and economic hegemony was replaced by the direct conquest of the neighboring country.