

# Nuova Rivista Storica

Anno XCVIII, Settembre-Dicembre 2014, Fascicolo III

## Abstracts

ANTONIO CAÑELLAS, «Una sola fe, dos formas de Estado». Las relaciones políticas de los católicos italianos y españoles durante los primeros años sesenta del siglo XX

*Political relations between the Catholic leaders of the Italian and Spanish governments in the early 1960s unfolded against the backdrop of a decade of profound social, cultural and economic changes that shaped diplomatic relations between the two states with common interests in Europe and Latin America. The competition between two political projects, one inspired by a traditionalist Catholic legacy – that of the Franco regime – and the other founded on the philosophy of personalist humanism – that of the Christian Democrats in Italy – determined the attitude of each government as it decided how to implement its bilateral policies. Starting from these premises, we will study the proposals and strategies of successive Spanish government through its embassy in Rome, designed to reverse the opening of the Christian Democrats to parties on the Left from 1962 onwards, which they considered not only detrimental to Spanish interests in the process of European rapprochement, but also opposed to their understanding of the proper political evolution of other culturally Catholic countries.*

Keywords:

*Italy–Spain political relations in the early 1960s  
Christian Democracy  
Catholic legacy*