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VITTORIA FIORELLI, Mezzogiorno in transizione. Per una periodizzazione della cultura religiosa e della pratica devota tra storia e storiografia

The mutation of scenarios during the transition from Seventeenth to Eighteenth Century meant for Modern Southern Italy primarily a period of dynastic fragmentation that charged its ruling classes of sudden choices of party with serious consequences on the dynamics inside Southern society. This argument, very present in the current scientific debate, can be used to verify the ability of Neapolitan élites to relate locally with the Crown to observe their role in motivating cultural evolution and in influencing the renewal of the political languages. From this point of view and with a long-term perspective, beginning from the Sixties of the seventeenth century, the paper analyzes the changes in the ecclesiastical landscape of Naples and in the religious and devotional framework of its population from an unusual approach to study the evolution of European models of power which has always been the Regno's unequivocal interlocutor.

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