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GIULIA BIANCHI, Geopolitica del Panslavismo. Sergej Dmitrievič Sazonov e l'intervento dell'Italia nella Prima Guerra Mondiale

In the aftermath of the Bosnian Crisis Russia and Italy signed a secret agreement at Racconigi in which the two countries recognised their mutual interests in the Mediterranean Sea and agreed to support the principle of nationality in the Balkan Peninsula. The outbreak of WWI, though, brought out a clash of interests between the two States, as emerged during the negotiations of the Treaty of London, when Italy's political and security interests and Russia's panslavistic ambitions finally came to a confrontation over Dalmatia and Albania. The first part of the article examines the views of modern Russian historians on the First World War, paying special attention to the question of Russia's war aims. The second part analyses the negotiation of the Treaty of London from a Russian-Italian perspective, drawing upon a newly published collection of Russian diplomatic documents.

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