

Born on May 20th, 1964, in Milan, Italy. Graduated in Modern Languages and Literatures. Certified journalist. She has worked as a foreign correspondent, writer, documentary maker, newscast director, and President-General of Rai.

She started working for Rai in 1992 after winning a public competition to attend the first edition of the Master in Broadcast Journalism by the Perugia School of Radio and Television Journalism. From 1994 to 1996 she worked in Lyon, France for the Editorial Bureau of Euronews, the first European news channel. She then returned to Rai and worked at TV7, a weekly TV infotainment program.

From 2000 to 2002 she followed closely the most violent phase of the Second Intifada in the context of the Israeli–Palestinian conflict. She dealt with U.S. politics and after September 11th, 2001, she started covering the Middle Eastern reactions to the September 11 Attacks, travelling among the Palestinian territories and Lebanon. While in the United States, she conducted a series of inquiries on internal subversion in the U.S. In 2003, during the Iraq War, she was the only Italian embedded journalist with the U.S. Army. She stayed in Baghdad for the following months and was in charge of reporting on the Middle East.

In recent years she has been reporting on the crises from the main critical areas of the planet: Iraq, Iran, Syria, Afghanistan, Burma, and African countries. She has interviewed many heads of state, bloggers, pacifists and terrorists. In the U.S., from 2008 she reported on Obama's presidential campaign and on the financial crisis. In 2010 and 2011 she produced two documentaries screened at the Venice Film Festival, namely *Ward 54* – winner of the Mitrani Prize in Biarritz – and *Out of Tehran*. She interviewed Syrian President Assad. From 2009 to 2013 she has been editor-in-chief for the special editions of the Tg1, curating and hosting the newscast. In 2013 she became chair of the all-news channels of Rai: Rainews24, Telegiornale and Rainews.it.

She received numerous awards and accolades including the Biagio Agnes Award and the Luigi Barzini Award to the special correspondent. She is in the Board of the ISPI (Institute for International Political Studies) and of the European Council on Foreign Relations, and is a member of the Aspen Institute and of the Trilateral Commission. On top of that she is a member of the Steering Committee of the Italian Centre for Higher Studies for training and refresher-training in broadcasting journalism. She has collaborated with numerous Italian and foreign newspapers and periodicals. As an author she wrote *"Dentro la guerra"* (Inside the war) published in 2005 by Longanesi, *"La fine della verità"* (The end of truth) published in 2006 by Longanesi, and *"Terrore mediatico"* (Media terror) published in 2015 by Laterza; she is also the author of several publications including *"Twitter and jihad"* published in 2015 by ISPI.

From August 2015 to July 2018 she has been President-General of Rai, her task being that of developing relations and strategies with international institutions and bodies, including top public broadcasters.

She has been president of EBU (European Broadcasting Union) and member of the Board of Directors of the Treccani institute.

From June 2017 to July 2020 she has been the appointed Euronews Supervisory Board representative for Rai.

She is a member of the "Comité d'éthique de Radio France" and the "Comité relatif à l'honnêteté, à l'indépendance et au pluralisme de l'information et des programmes" of France Télévision

From February 2019 to May 2020 she was CEO of Rai Com.

In June 2020 she was assigned as a direct report to the Director of Rai 1: her duties included anchoring, conceptualizing and creating informative texts to layout, prepare and create new current affairs programs and event-related specials. From March 2021 she is also in charge of the production of *"Sette Storie"* a current affairs program.

Since November 2021 she is the first female director of TG1.