

‘NDRANGHETA HYPERMOBILITY & NEXA

Hypotheses to interpret Argentinean risks

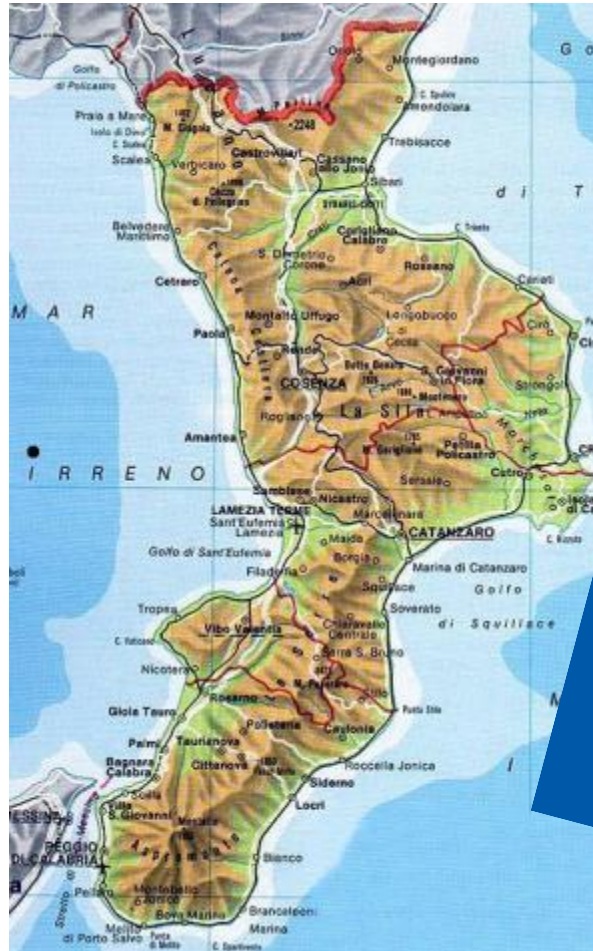


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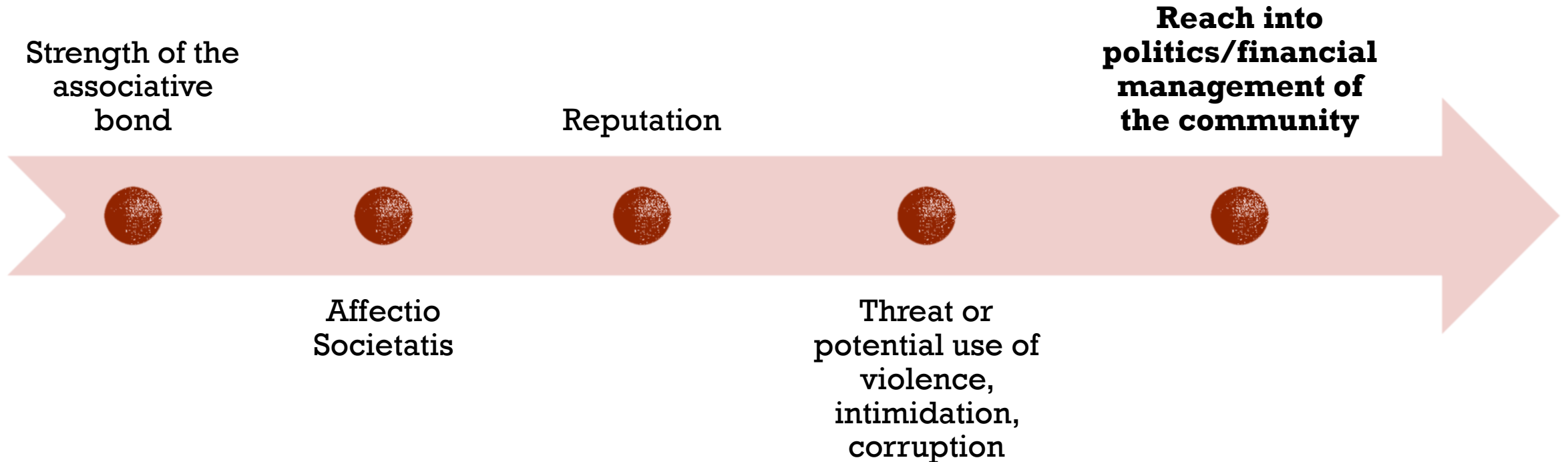
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CALABRIAN MAFIA – ‘NDRANGHETA

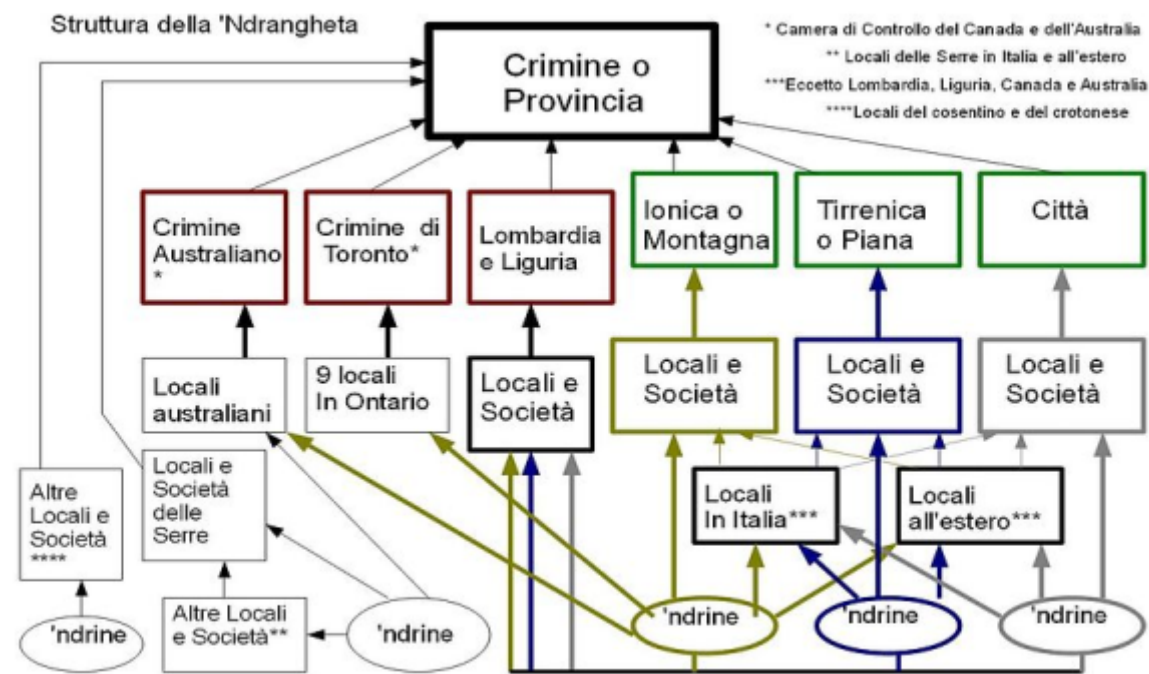


WHY IS THIS MAFIA?

THE LINK BETWEEN UNDERWORLD & UPPERWORLD



"OPERATION CRIMINE": TODAY'S 'NDRANGHETA - ONE OR MANY?



surnames and the 'ndrine, the geography of the locali

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Mandamenti
in Calabria
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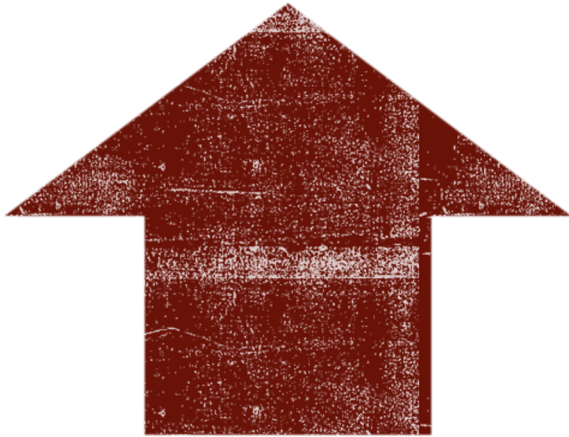
Chambers
of Control
abroad

Horizontal
Structure,
there is no
boss

How
connections
work

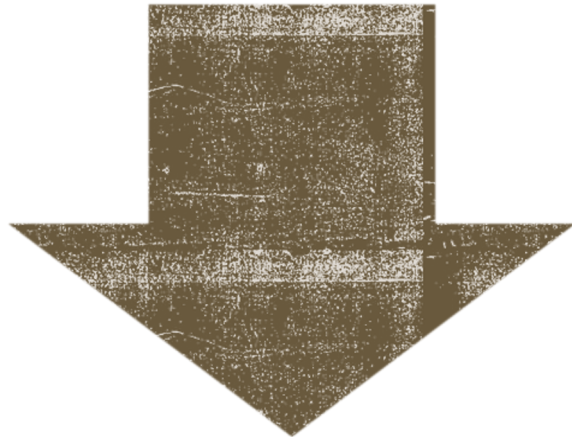


'NDRANGHETA/'NDRANGHETE



A mafia-type (formal)
criminal organisation

Reggio Calabria hinterland – the
recognition of the “core” in the
Crimine di Polsi and the Aspromonte-
based clans



A set of behaviours
(‘ndranghetism)

The exploitation of cultural and social
values from all of Calabria through
intimidation, violence, usurpation,
nepotism and patronage – mafia
method

The homogeneity of the clans in and from Calabria
'NDRANGHETISATION PROCESS



OUTSIDE OF EUROPE

Delocalisation

Latin America
and the
cocaine
market

Trafficking
through
brokerage

Money
laundering

Colonisation

Canada BUT...

Australia

Hybridisation

Canada

USA - the
legacy of LCN

Argentina?



WHAT CAN WE SEE ABROAD? (STRUCTURES)

Clan-based structures ('ndrina)

Family
Dynasties
(surnames)

Intergenerational and
territorial

Ethnicity – social behaviours

Calabrianness

Twisted
culture
exploitation

Resilience

Immunity/political
proximity

Adaptability/small scale
markets

WHAT CAN WE SEE ABROAD? (ACTIVITIES)

Hypermobility

Follow the drugs

Follow SOME money

Those who carry out these activities might be disposable, they might not be affiliates at all

Residual mafia behaviours

Violence - as needed

Corruption - as needed

Is there a family dynasty behind? Is there protection?

Cooperation

Hybridisation - identity and ethnicity DO NOT matter for business

Distance between investments and investors?

ARGENTINA – CONSTRUCTING THE MAFIA- ECONOMY-POLITICS NEXUS

Identity

The role of Italian migration in the Argentinean Identity

Urban & diffused* diaspora and intergenerational exchanges

Economy

Crisis -Volatility of markets and currency

Entrepreneurship of Italians in Argentina

Society/Politics

Governance by corruption (centripetal & organised)

Corruption by governance (centrifugal & dispersed)

Mafias seek partners who give guarantees, who promise stability, who are there to offer continuity (incl. Money)

ARGENTINA – OP. MAGMA – FIND THE FOCUS

Identity

Springboard territory (clan Bellocco – La Piana and the port of Gioia T.)

Rekindling links in migrant communities

Economy

Small-medium scale legal investment

Drug trade - cocaine

Society/Politics

Fixers – offer continuity

The intersection between money-professions-political power

ARGENTINA: CONTEXT - OPPORTUNITY - AGENCY / CAPABILITY

❖ Context

- ❖ **Power** is made/kept through money or through corruption
- ❖ Entrepreneurs who want to enter politics or politicians who take kickbacks form economic ventures
- ❖ Existence of a **grey zone** (lawyers, accountants, professional services etc.)

❖ Opportunity

- ❖ A clan can offer extra **services** (human capital, networks, know-how...)
- ❖ **Fixers** available (e.g. against competitors – intimidation/violence) in grey zone
- ❖ Availability of **capitals** for the clan to invest abroad legally and illegally
- ❖ Economic **crisis** where capitals are needed (legally and illegally)
- ❖ **COVID** –aftermath

❖ AGENCY/CAPABILITY

- ❖ Individual ventures
- ❖ Collective (INCL. FAMILY/ALLIES)
- ❖ International reputation
- ❖ Other capabilities factors (gender, age, character, charisma etc.)



QUESTIONS FOR FOLLOW UP ON I-CAN & MAGMA

Individual X – are they from or married into a known ‘ndrina?

Location of origin – which ‘ndrine are active there? Is there a locale or a società?

Are they a **family dynasty***? Are their allies of one?

What kind of protection and immunity they enjoy in their territory - Who arranges for conflicts resolution? Who has the overall vision?

Who has family members and **stable relationships** abroad? Can they benefit from their allies’ connections? Can they benefit from the protection/immunity back home?

Is the connection stable enough to offer continuity for both business and the establishment of immunity/protection abroad?

	Activities and Business Form	Modes of Control	Strategy	Enterprise Culture	Governance Structure
Pursue	Prosecute criminal activities (profit and power driven)		Target mafia investments in different markets		Prosecution of criminal enterprise and mafia modus operandi (mafia method and behaviours)
Prevent			Establish partnerships with local interest clubs (e.g. Italian Chamber of Commerce, Social clubs, etc)	Identify educational tools to break the chain of cultural transmission; offer alternatives.	Enhance transparency in policies for political donations.
Disrupt	Exchange information across intelligence platforms cross-country	Promote ad-hoc joint task forces across states	Strengthen anti-money laundering norms and enhance range of confiscation procedures		Identify ‘weak’ personalities in mafia dynasties
Protect		Promote partnerships with embassies and consulates abroad to enhance social recognitions of minorities		Identify civil/family law tools to break the chain of cultural transmission by protecting the children	Strengthen gifts and hospitality regulations mindful of cultural differences
Expose	Avoid limiting investigations only to ‘serious’ crimes, promote a whole-of-mafia behaviours countering strategy	Family network analysis (cross-country if needed)	Identify specific vulnerabilities in country’s legislations that facilitate mafia infiltration at all levels of criminality	Make use of cultural analysts/ anthropologists to identify specific aspects of mafia culture and their transmission in specific families	Identify procedures to detect infiltration in public work

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COMING SOON



THE END – QUESTIONS?

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