

# Proceedings of the 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on the Voynich Manuscript 2022: Preface

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It has been a decade since the Voynich 100 Conference was held at Villa Mondragone in Italy. It was there that a series of presentations were given from various experts and people with a strong interest in the Voynich MS from all around the world. Villa Mondragone has had a traditional link with the Voynich Manuscript and the fact Malta has a tenuous connection via the sale of the Manuscript to Voynich himself, via Father Strickland of Malta, lends a nice continuity to the proceedings.

The genesis of this conference occurred in 2021 via various meetings with Voynich Researchers online that has been ongoing since some of our original conversations and discussions with fellow Academics at the University of Malta dating back to May 2019. The realization that this is truly a multidisciplinary effort in the genre of the Digital Humanities motivated us to grow this group of researchers further to explore this cryptic text. During our monthly online get togethers the idea of a conference was raised and through the hard work of the Programme Committee, and others involved, we made it happen.

This volume contains the fruits of this labour which is the proceedings of the 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on the Voynich Manuscript which was held online (due to COVID reasons during the planning stages) on Nov 30 – Dec 1, 2022.

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