

P R E S S R E L A S E

BOOK LAUNCH

LA FABBRICA DELLA SICUREZZA

FRIDAY 8 MAY 2009 IN BOLOGNA

Fabrizio Battistelli's book *La Fabbrica della Sicurezza* (The Need for Security) will be launched on **Friday 8 May 2009 at 5.30pm at the Ambasciatori bookshop in Via degli Orefici, 19 in Bologna.**

The launch, which is sponsored by the **Unipolis Foundation** in collaboration with **librerie.coop**, the chain of bookshops, will be attended by **Ilvo Diamanti**, lecturer in Political Science at the University of Urbino, **Ivo Colozzi**, lecturer in Sociology at the University of Bologna and **Giuliano Barbolini**, senator and Honorary Chairman of the European Forum for Urban Security. The event will be chaired by **Walter Dondi**, Managing Director of the Unipolis Foundation.

The collection of essays, edited by Fabrizio Battistelli, lecturer in Sociology at La Sapienza University in Rome, tackles the theme of the growing demand for security from ordinary people. According to Battistelli and the other contributors to the book, neither the market nor the state does much to provide security. With the privatisation of the means of protection, the market does not reduce insecurity but discriminates between who can and who cannot afford it. As far as the state is concerned, political responses are divided between the alarmism of the Right, which tends to emphasise the threats to the security of individuals, and playing them down, which is more typical of the Left, where the extent and the specific nature of the problem have long been denied. Although such views are at opposite ends of the spectrum their outcomes seem similar: not effective policies and initiatives, but rather a deepened perception of insecurity.

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We should be most grateful if you could publish this.

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