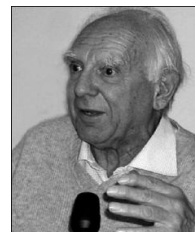


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***Basic biographical data***

Name:	Livio Maitan
Other names (by-names, pseud. etc.):	Claudio ; Domingo ; Fausto ; Claudio Giuliani ; L.M. ; Libero ; Livio ; Claudio Mangani ; Mario
Date and place of birth:	April 1, 1923, Venezia [Venice] (Italy)
Date and place of death:	September 16, 2004, Roma [Rome] (Italy)
Nationality:	Italian
Occupations, careers, etc.:	historian, lecturer, journalist, translator, editor, party leader, professional revolutionary
Time of activity in Trotskyist movement:	1947 - 2004 (lifelong Trotskyist)

Biographical sketch

This short biographical sketch is chiefly based upon autobiographical notes which Livio Maitan sent to me on request in 1996 and on some of the obituaries listed below (see Selective bibliography: Books and articles about Maitan, below).

Livio Maitan – together with Ernest Mandel and Pierre Frank the European top-leader and chief theoretician of the *Fourth International (International/United Secretariat)* during the 1950s-1980s – was born in Venezia (Venice) on April 1, 1923 as a son of a teacher and a housewife. Maitan got married in 1954 and was divorced in 1983; he had two sons, Gianni (b. 1959) and Marco (b. 1963).

In 1942, when studying classical literature (Greek and Latin) at the *University of Padua*, he became active in the anti-fascist resistance movement and in 1943 he joined the illegal *PSIUP (Partito Socialista Italiano di Unità Proletaria, Italian Socialist Party of Proletarian Unity)*. In 1944 he was sentenced by a fascist court, escaped to Switzerland and had to spend several months in internment camps there before he could return to Italy in May 1945. At the end of the same year he graduated with a diploma in classics from *Padua University*.

Maitan soon became an activist – and in 1947 national secretary – of the Italian socialist youth and subsequently engaged himself in various regroupment processes of the Italian left after the War; thus he became an active member of more or less short-living left tendencies such as the *MSUP (Movimento Socialista di Unità Proletaria, Socialist Movement of Proletarian Unity)* forming part of the *FDP (Fronte Democratico Popolare, Democratic People's Front)*. But the endeavours of Maitan and his comrades towards the formation of an anti-capitalist, radical socialist and at the same time anti-Stalinist mass party proved abortive. From the split of the reformist *PSIUP* there emerged the *PSI*

(*Partito Socialista d'Italia*), led by Pietro Nenni, and the *PSLI (Partito Socialista dei Lavoratori Italiani, Italian Socialist Workers' Party)*, led by Giuseppe Saragat. Both parties (or, their leaders, respectively) during the following decades again and again became junior partners in dozens of governments dominated by the populist *Democrazia Cristiana (Christian Democrats)*, while most of those opposing the politics of the *PSI* and *PSLI* leadership sooner or later were absorbed by the strong communist party of the country.

When still an activist of socialist youth movement, Maitan joined the weak ranks of the Italian Trotskyists (1947) and soon should become one of their main leaders. In 1949 the Italian section of the *Fourth International* was formally re-launched by founding the *GCR (Gruppi Comunisti Rivoluzionari, Revolutionary Communist Groups)*. Maitan from the very beginning to the end was the main inspirer, leader and spokesman of the *GCR*, which in 1980 was renamed *LCR (Lega Comunista Rivoluzionaria, Revolutionary Communist League)*, and contributing editor of its theoretical paper, *Bandiera rossa* which appeared, in various series, from 1950 to 2002. During the 1950s and 1960s, under Maitan's leadership the majority of the Italian Trotskyists applied the tactic of 'entryism' and joined the ranks of the *PCI (Partito Comunista Italiana, Italian Communist Party)* while maintaining certain organizational structures and keeping alive own bulletins and papers.

Livio Maitan who had already participated in the second world congress of the *Fourth International* in 1948 soon became an eminent member of its international leading bodies: from 1948 to the end he was a member of the *International Executive Committee* (renamed *International Committee* in 2003) of the *Fourth International*, and in 1951 he was elected a member of the *International Secretariat* (renamed *United Secretariat* in 1963) of the *Fourth International*. He participated in all world congresses of the *FI* at which he became re-elected to the leading bodies each time; he acted for several decades in the day-to-day leadership and travelled many European, Latin American and Asian countries. A considerable number of reports to the *FI* world congresses, drafts of resolutions, analyses and contributions to the various internal bulletins of the *FI* and its national sections came from Maitan's pen.

When the *FI* split in 1953, he sided together with Michel Pablo, Ernest Mandel and Pierre Frank with whom he represented the *International Secretariat of the Fourth International (IS, or ISFI)* whereas James P. Cannon, Gerry Healy, Pierre Lambert and their adherents founded a rival organization, the *International Committee of the Fourth International (IC, or ICFI)*. In 1963 both 'Internationals' reunited, launching the *United Secretariat of the Fourth International (USec, or USFI)* while G. Healy, P. Lambert and J. Posadas with their followers divorced from the International and M. Pablo lost his leading position and left the International in 1964.

However, some years after the re-unification congress new controversies emerged within the *FI*; during the period from 1969 to 1977, Livio Maitan together with Ernest Mandel and Pierre Frank represented the *International Majority Tendency (IMT)*, endorsed by most of the European sections, which had strong differences with the *Leninist-Trotskyist Tendency (LTT)* grouped around the American *SWP (Socialist Workers Party)* whose chief spokesman within the international bodies was Joseph Hansen. The *IMT* was also designated as the *Mandel-Maitan-Frank ("MMF") leadership* (or faction, respectively).²

By his political and organizational activities as well as by his writings and translation work (see below), Maitan in the 1950s and 1960s helped to keep the ideas of revolutionary socialism alive and thus made a substantial contribution to preserve the heritage of genuine Marxism and Trotskyism against

1) For bibliographic details see our *Trotskyist Serials Bibliography*, München [etc.] : Saur, 1993, which is out of print but [available as PDF file](#) within the framework of the *Lubitz' TrotskyanaNet* website.

2) Maitan who was the main author of the reports and resolutions on the anti-imperialist and anti-colonial struggles in the Third World passed by the *FI*'s world congresses of 1969 and 1974, at that time favoured a rural-based guerilla strategy (or, tactic) with regard to Latin America, a position which was substantially opposed by the U.S. *SWP*-led minority tendency within the *FI*. The members and supporters of that tendency eventually formed the *Leninist-Trotskyist Faction (LTF)* in August 1973 after they had come to the conclusion that the *International Majority Tendency (IMT)*, chiefly inspired by Mandel, Maitan and Frank, was functioning as a 'secret faction' carrying its own internal discussion outside the elected leading bodies of the *FI*. The factional controversies should only come to an end in 1977. Joseph Hansen from the *SWP* was the main spokesman of the *LTF* and author of a book containing all arguments against the Mandel-Maitan-Frank majority: *The Leninist strategy of party building : the debate on guerilla warfare in Latin America. - New York, NY [etc.] : Pathfinder Pr., 1979. - 608 pp.*

all odds. For many years Trotskyists in Italy (as elsewhere) could survive only as very tiny and isolated groups, a situation which only changed from 1968/69 when the wave of student protest and new workers' militancy reached Italy; Maitan was actively involved in the upsurge of the class struggle in Italy and in the formation of an anti-Stalinist as well as anti-reformist alternative left.

In 1989 the Italian Trotskyist *LCR* under the leadership of Maitan dissolved itself, and its militants joined the ranks of the *DP* (*Democrazia Proletaria, Proletarian Democracy*), where Maitan became a member of the national committee. In the aftermath of the disintegration of the *PCI*³, the *DP* together with a strong minority of the *ex-PCI* and with a number of smaller leftist groups launched the *PRC* (*Partito della Rifondazione Comunista, Party of Communist Refoundation*) of which Fausto Bertinotti soon became the leader and chief theoretician. In 1994 Maitan was elected a member of *PRC's* national political committee and was re-elected at every congress of the *PRC*; he was the most prominent spokesman of the party's left wing representing some 20% of the total membership. The Trotskyist adherents of the *Fourth International (United Secretariat)* within the *PRC* continued to call themselves *Sezione Italiana della IV Internazionale (Italian Section of the FI)*.

Besides his political and organizational activities within the Italian and international Trotskyist movement, Livio Maitan was a renowned and outstanding writer, editor and translator. Thus for several decades he contributed innumerable articles to the national and international Trotskyist press (e.g. *Bandiera rossa, Quatrième Internationale, Quarta Internazionale, Intercontinental Press, International Viewpoint, Inprecor*), to various internal bulletins and in the late phase of his life to *PRC's* journal *Liberazione*; some of the journals and newsletters to which he regularly contributed were also co-edited by him.

Furthermore Maitan became a renowned translator (into Italian) of a considerable number of Trotsky's major works⁴ which he equipped with prefaces, introductions and notes, too.

Last not least, Maitan also was author of an impressive number of book-length publications about various subjects, ranging from political biographies to historical balance-sheets and from economic issues to topical political and sociological questions such as the dissolution of the *PCI*, the class relations in Italy or Russia's transition to a capitalist society. His books were published by various renowned publishing houses such as Mondadori, Einaudi, and Samonà e Savelli. One of his last works, *La Strada percorsa (The road taken, published in 2002)*⁵ contains a lot of relevant autobiographical material. At the time of his death he was near at finishing a history of the *Fourth International*; this work was posthumously published in Italian in 2006, in English in 2019 and in French in 2021⁶.

For many years Maitan lectured at the universities of Rome and Venice. He also functioned as an indefatigable teacher and instructor of several generations of young Trotskyist militants in Italy and abroad.

Despite age and suffering from a heart disease since the 1980s, Maitan remained politically active in the *PRC* and maintained his participation in all leading bodies of the *Fourth International* until his death.

Having devoted almost all his adult life to the cause of Trotskyism, Livio Maitan – the last of those outstanding leaders who had shaped for several decades the policy, strategy and organizational structure of the postwar *Fourth International*⁷ – died of cardiac arrest in Rome on September 16, 2004.

3) For many years the *PCI* had been the strongest CP in Western Europe and the flagship of Euro-communism.

4) See our *Selective bibliography* below.

5) For details see our *Selective bibliography* below.

6) See our *Selective bibliography* below.

7) More precisely, one should speak of *mainstream Trotskyism*, considering the fact that there were (and are) several other international currents each claiming for the label of Trotskyism (or, of *Fourth International*).

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- Destino di Trockij. - Milano : Rizzoli, 1981. - 220 pp. (Saggi Rizzoli)
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Sidelines, notes on archives

— Some quotations from obituaries:

"Livio waged a strenuous battle against sectarianism within the Trotskyist movement. This made him a preferred target for the fragmented microcosm on the sidelines of the huge bureaucratic apparatuses, before the latter also began to split apart. He was full of enthusiasm whenever he saw the first signs of an opportunity to overcome divisions, sectarianism and faction fights ..." °

9) Cirillo, Lidia: [Livio Maitan - a man of different times](#), in *International Viewpoint*, 2004 (361,electronic suppl.)

"Livio a formé plusieurs générations de militants marxistes-révolutionnaires. Accessible et sympathique, il était toujours prêt à aider ses jeunes camarades, disponible pour les débats et les controverses. D'une grande culture marxiste, passionné dans les discussions, il était toujours à l'écoute de ses contradicteurs, fussent-ils plus jeunes et moins instruits que lui. ..." ¹⁰

"Il aime discuter et peut passer des heures à connaître les gens, leur vie, leurs problèmes. Il était également preuve d'une grande capacité de recul sur l'événement et garde en permanence une bonne dose d'humour. En fait, Livio aura jusqu'au bout entretenu trois passions: la révolution, la vie et le football. ..." ¹¹

"Selon Alain Krivine, ce '*militant cultivé, plein d'humour et de chaleur humaine*' était '*à l'opposé de la caricature que certains peuvent se faire d'un dirigeant trotskiste*'. Ses amis rappellent que Livio Maitan avait deux passions dans la vie: la révolution et le football. Supporteur fervent de Lazio, l'un des deux clubs romains, il ne se contenait pas d'encourager ses couleurs au stade olympique de Rome. Ancien joueur de la Serenissima, l'équipe de Venise, dans les années 1940, l'octogénaire continuait à chausser chaque semaine les crampons." ¹²

— Archives

There is not yet - so far as we know - a special Livio Maitan archive. Nevertheless, a lot of relevant archivalia (correspondence, drafts, other papers and of course internal bulletins containing contributions by Maitan) can be found in the *Gambino-Verdoja archives*.¹³ While this archive primarily consists of material about the Italian post-war Trotskyist movement, archival material documenting Maitan's involvement into the international Trotskyist movement and its structures is to be found in various collections of Trotskyist activists and parties preserved for instance at the *International Institute of Social History* (Amsterdam), the *Hoover Institution Archives* (Stanford, Cal.), the *Bibliothèque de Documentation Internationale Contemporaine*. (Nanterre) etc.

— Livio Maitan Study Centre

In Autumn 2006, the *Centro Studi Livio Maitan* (Rome) was launched in his memory (e-mail address: info@centrostudimaitan.it ; postal address: Circonvallazione Casilina 72/74, 00176 Roma, Italia).

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