



SAPIENZA
UNIVERSITÀ DI ROMA

Seminar:

Eng. Francesco Del Tosto

SETTIMIA SPIZZICHINO GARBATELLA BRIDGE

November 18th 2025 - Seminar

3.30 pm

Aula Magna | Faculty of Architecture | Piazza Borghese 9 | Rome

November 19th 2025 – On Site Visit

9.00 am

Via Girolamo Benzoni / Circonvallazione Ostiense, corner

A minimalist and contemporary design and a truss structure recalling the nearby *Gazometro*, one of the most striking emblems of Rome's industrial archaeology, characterize this gigantic bridge, sinuous but with essential lines, also known as “Cavalcavia Ostiense”.

Suspended over the tracks of the underground line B and the Rome-Ostia lido railway, close to the area of the old general markets, the Settimia Spizzichino's bridge connects the Garbatella and Ostiense neighbourhoods: a mixture of industrial archaeology and popular tradition for two of the youngest and liveliest areas of the capital, a reference point for Rome's nightlife.

The construction of an overpass over the Roma-Lido railway was already planned in the 1931 PRG regulatory plan; the design, however, did not start until 2003, followed, between 2006 and 2009, by the approval of the winning project by engineer Francesco del Tosto.

The inauguration of the impressive infrastructure took place on Friday, June 22nd 2012, in the presence of the city authorities.

The seminar and the on-site visit will illustrate all the design and construction aspects, considering the challenges faced to build such an iconic structure.

Organized by Prof. Linda Giresini

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The event is open to everyone including professionals and will be held in English. Please send an email to linda.giresini@uniroma1.it for further details.