

## News

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**ALBERTO ANGELA'S *CLEOPATRA: THE QUEEN WHO CHALLENGED ROME AND CONQUERED ETERNITY* TO BE PUBLISHED BY HARPERCOLLINS GLOBALLY**

New York, N.Y., (March 13, 2019)— HarperCollins Publishers today announced that Alberto Angela's *Cleopatra: The Queen Who Challenged Rome and Conquered Eternity* will be published by HarperCollins in the U.S., UK, France, Germany, Holland, Brazil, Spain, and Central and South America by 2020.

Originally acquired and published to wide acclaim by HarperCollins Italia in November 2018, *Cleopatra* is the powerful story of an extraordinary woman; a modern figure born in an ancient era, skilled both in the art of diplomacy and on the battlefield. Angela takes readers back to a twenty-year period that marked a sweeping change in Roman history, from the assassination of Julius Caesar that led to the end of the Republic, to the death of Antony and Cleopatra and the birth of the Augustan Empire. Extremely well researched, Angela's narrative style makes the story accessible to a broad audience, who will be fascinated by this powerful tale. The book has remained on the bestseller list in Italy since its publication, with fans flocking to events to meet the author.

"I am extremely proud of our first Italian author to be published by HarperCollins around the world," says Laura Donnini, Managing Director and Publisher of HarperCollins Italia. "Thanks to the strength of the international HarperCollins Publishers network, authors can take advantage of an international showcase of excellence. Alberto Angela instills in readers the desire for knowledge and the curiosity for an ancient world that speaks to today, between tradition and innovation. No one is a better representative of our country's identity and beauty abroad than Alberto."

"I am very proud to see how our global publishing network is helping us not only to serve English-language authors in international markets, but also to expand the reach of our international authors into the English language and markets outside their home language," said Chantal Restivo-Alessi, CEO of International Foreign Language and Chief Digital Officer for HarperCollins. "This is a great example of how we can provide increased services to our authors across all languages and geographies."

Alberto Angela is a global ambassador of Italian art, history, and culture. Born in Paris in 1962, he is a paleontologist, naturalist, and journalist, as well as an established author and television host of programs such as “Meraviglie”—with audiences of more than 6 million viewers per episode—specializing in making history accessible and captivating to audiences in Italy and beyond.

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