



ALMA MATER STUDIORUM
UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA

IBES PhD Programme Kick-off meeting Cycle 38

14/11/2022

13.00 – Room 5.5

Department of Electrical, Electronic, and
Information Engineering “Guglielmo Marconi” DEI



OUR ALMA MATER IN NUMBERS

Constituent Principles

The primary goals of the University are **teaching and research**, two inseparable activities aimed at pursuing critical knowledge open to dialogue and interaction between cultures, respecting **the freedom of science and teaching**.

Given its long-standing identity as a place of general studies, the University acknowledges **the equal dignity and opportunities of all branches of learning** that assure scientific and educational capital.

University Statute, Constituent Principles, Art. 1 para. 1, 3



University of Bologna

Multi-campus

- Bologna (DEI)
- Cesena Campus (DEI)
- Forlì Campus
- Ravenna Campus
- Rimini Campus
- Representación en la República Argentina



University of Bologna

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STUDIUM
IN BOLOGNA

IT IS THE OLDEST UNIVERSITY IN THE
WESTERN WORLD



ARCHIGINNASIO

1988

MAGNA CHARTA
UNIVERSITATUM

CONFIRMS THE ESSENTIAL ROLE OF THE
UNIVERSITY IN CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY

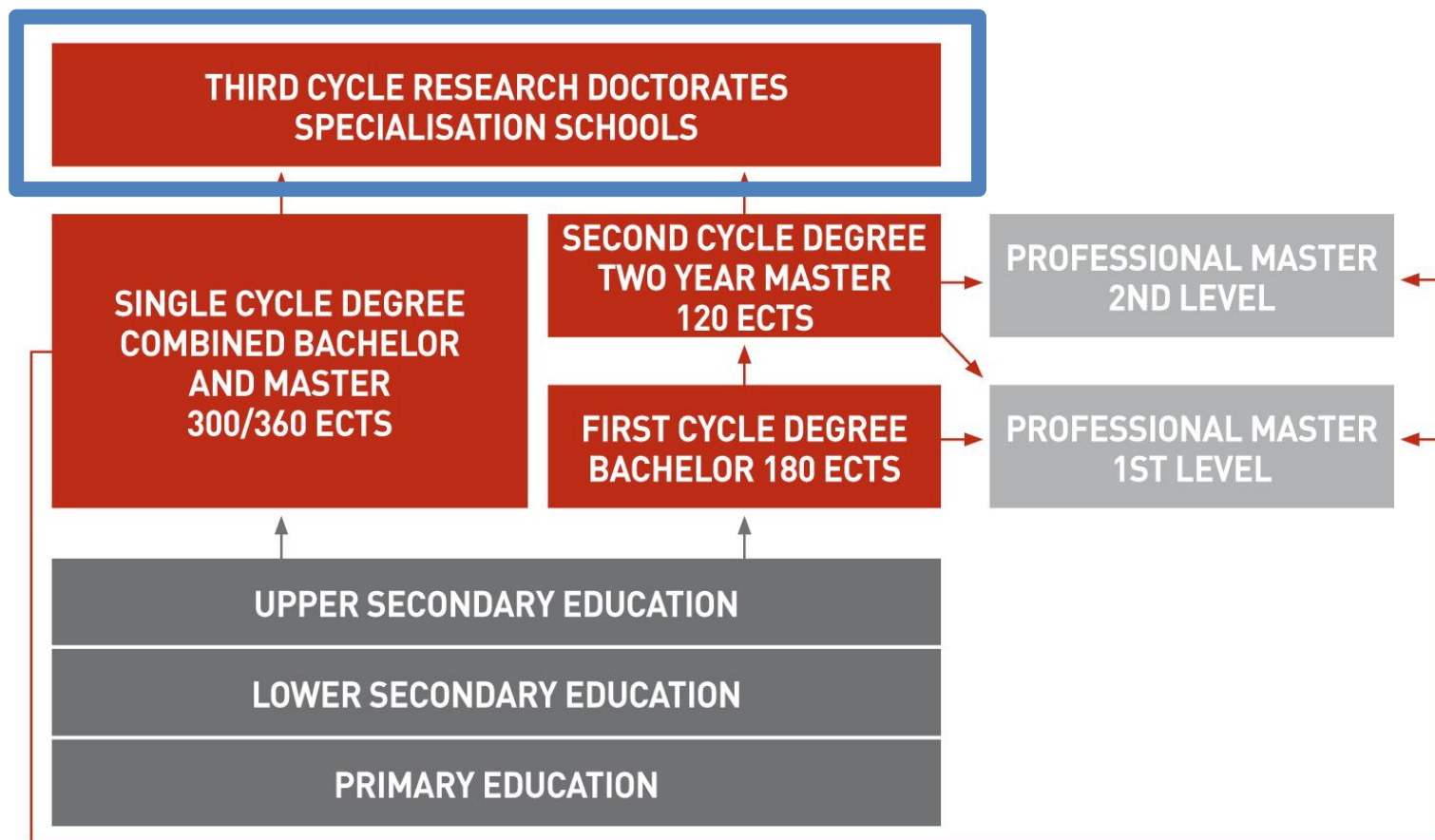


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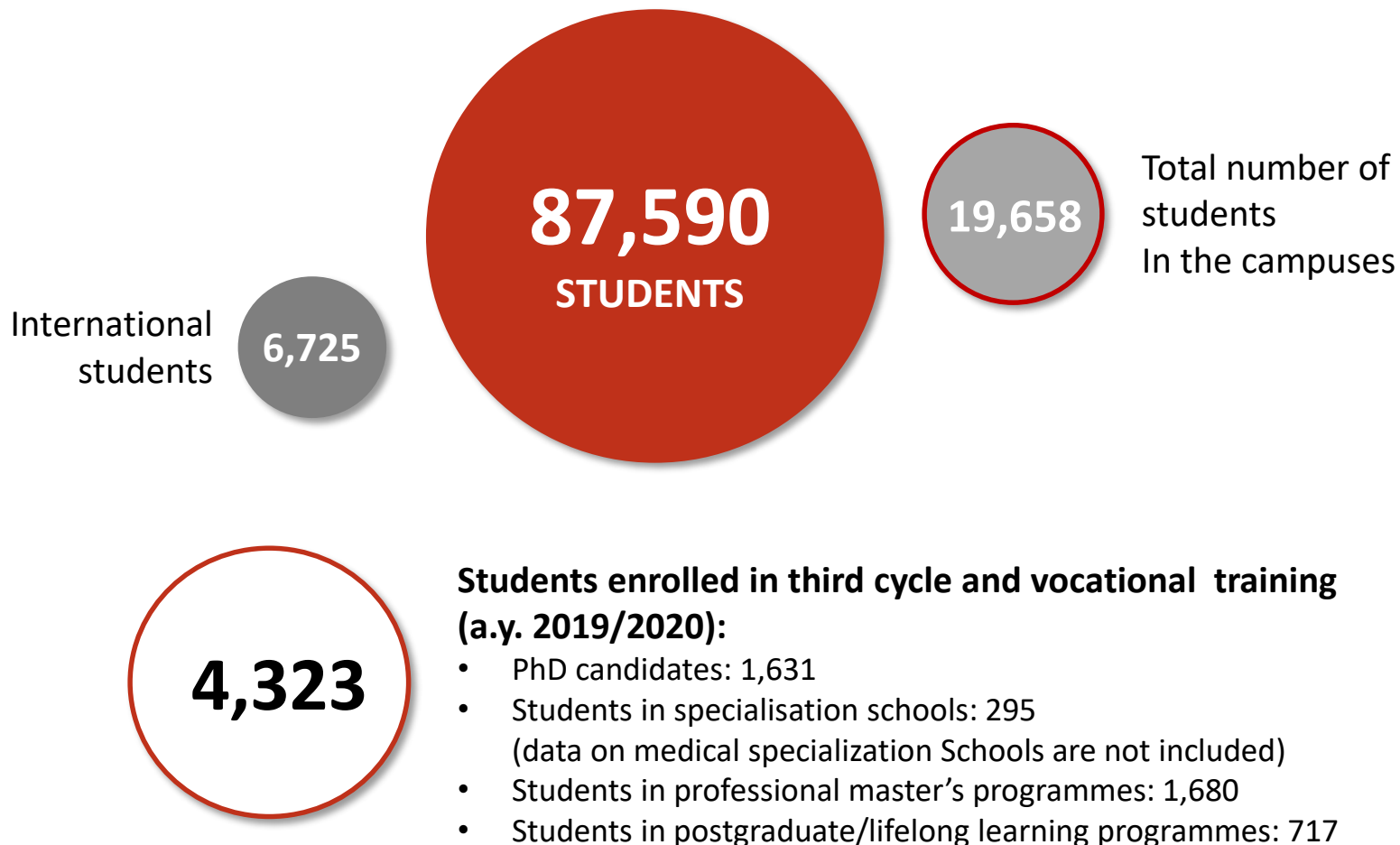
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1 CREDIT= 25 HOURS STUDENT WORKLOAD (CLASSES, INDIVIDUAL STUDY, EXAMS, ETC.)

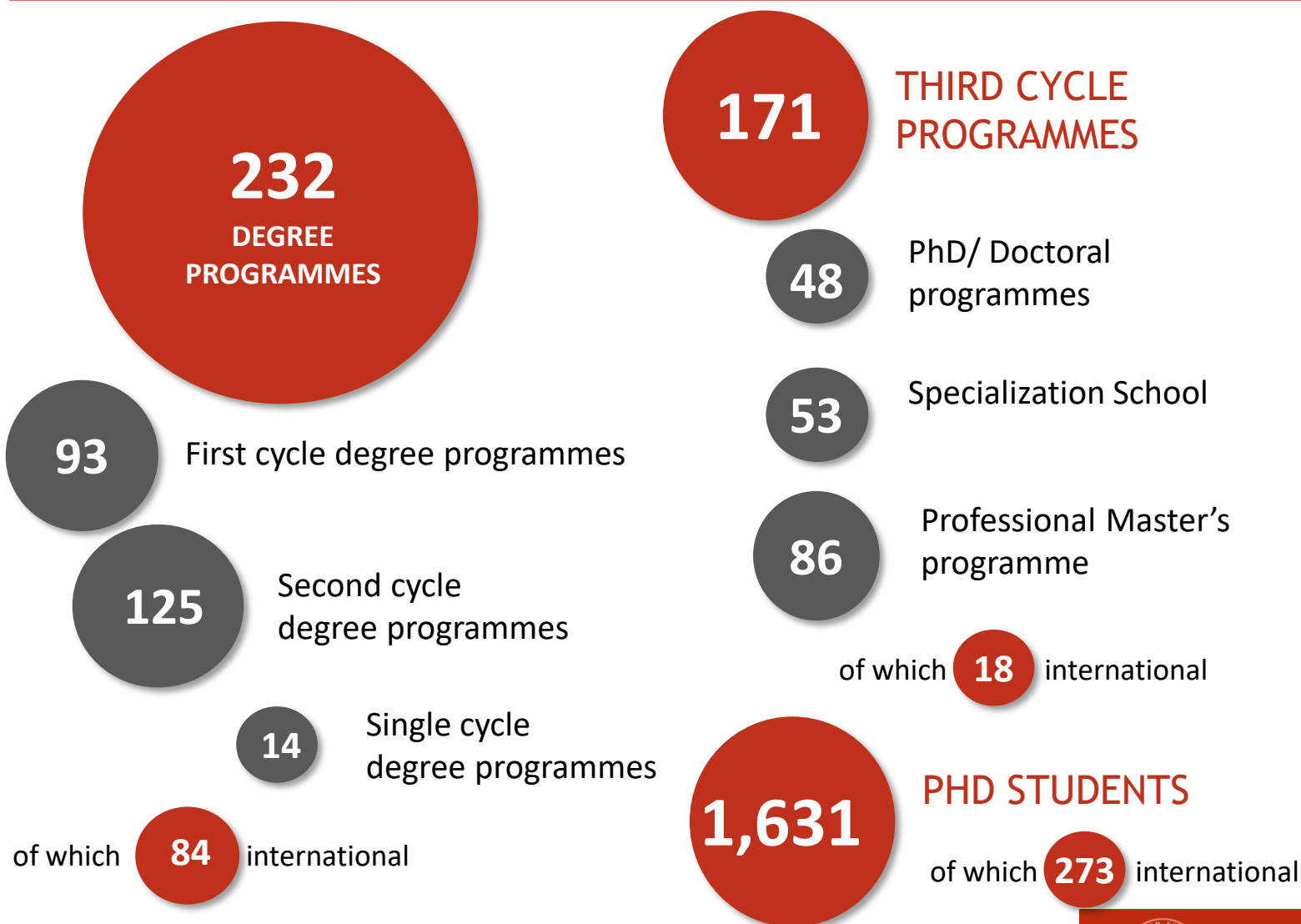


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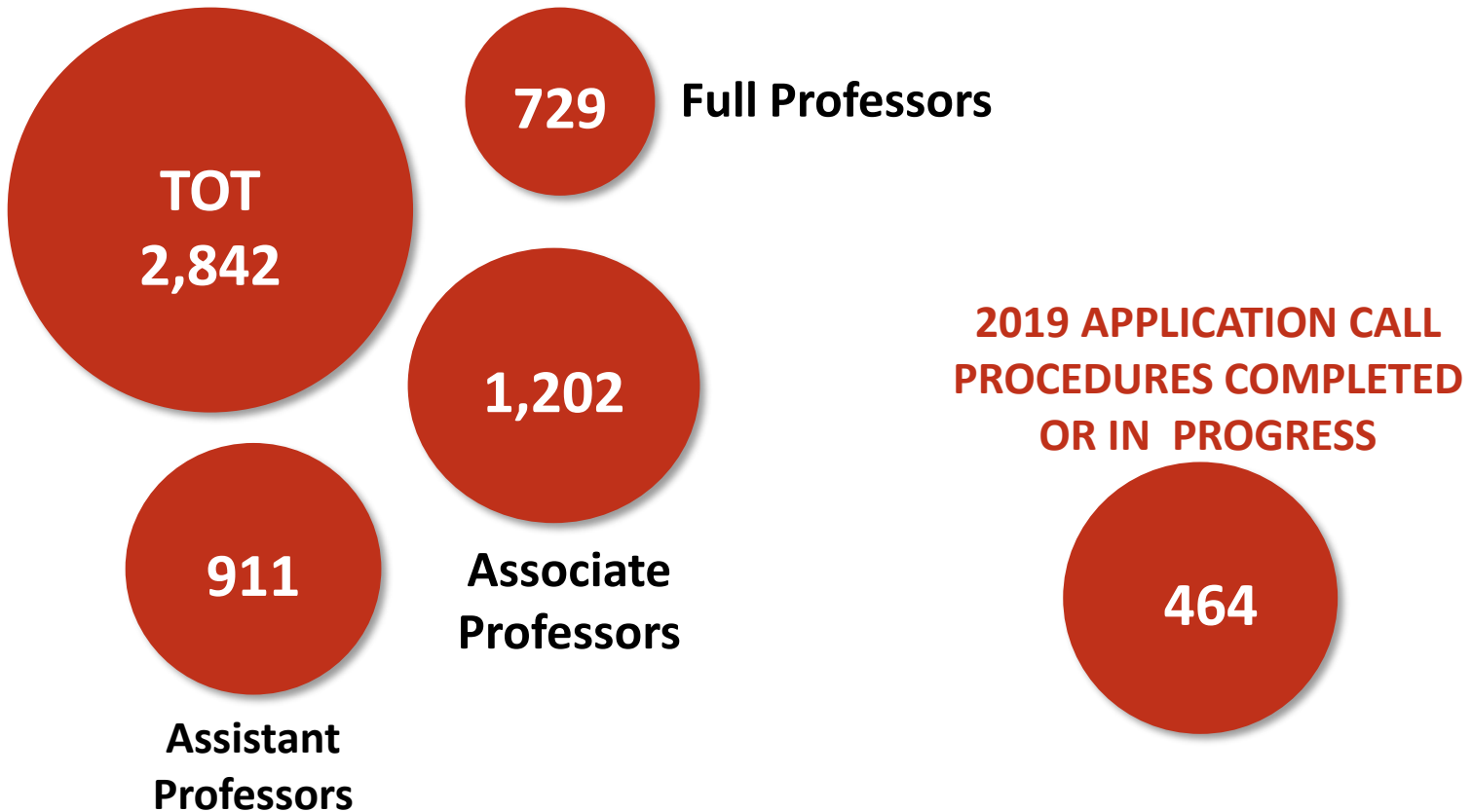
our Alma Mater in numbers



Programme catalogue



Teaching staff



COMPETITIVE FINANCING

- **306** UE H2020 research projects, which create a network of more than 2,600 partners, including over 1,250 in the private sector. 50 projects financed by the Interreg, Life 2014-2020, Creative Europe and COST programmes.
- **130** PRIN 2017 projects financed by MIUR, including 40 coordinated nationally by the University (1st equal in terms of number of projects; 17% funding success rate for projects presented by the University as national coordinator).
- **214** research projects financed by Emilia-Romagna in the context of the 2014-2020 PORFESR call
 - 50 PhD positions financed
 - 76 post-doc positions financed



PhD Scholarships and post-graduate fellowships

1,261

Phd candidates (A.Y. 2017/2018 UP TO 31.08.2018)

1,143

Fellows (up to 31.08.2018)

allocated to the funding of PhD student scholarships
in the 36th cycle (>250)

**€ 15
MLN**

direct funding from the structures and
external bodies for 120 scholarships

**€ 7
MLN**



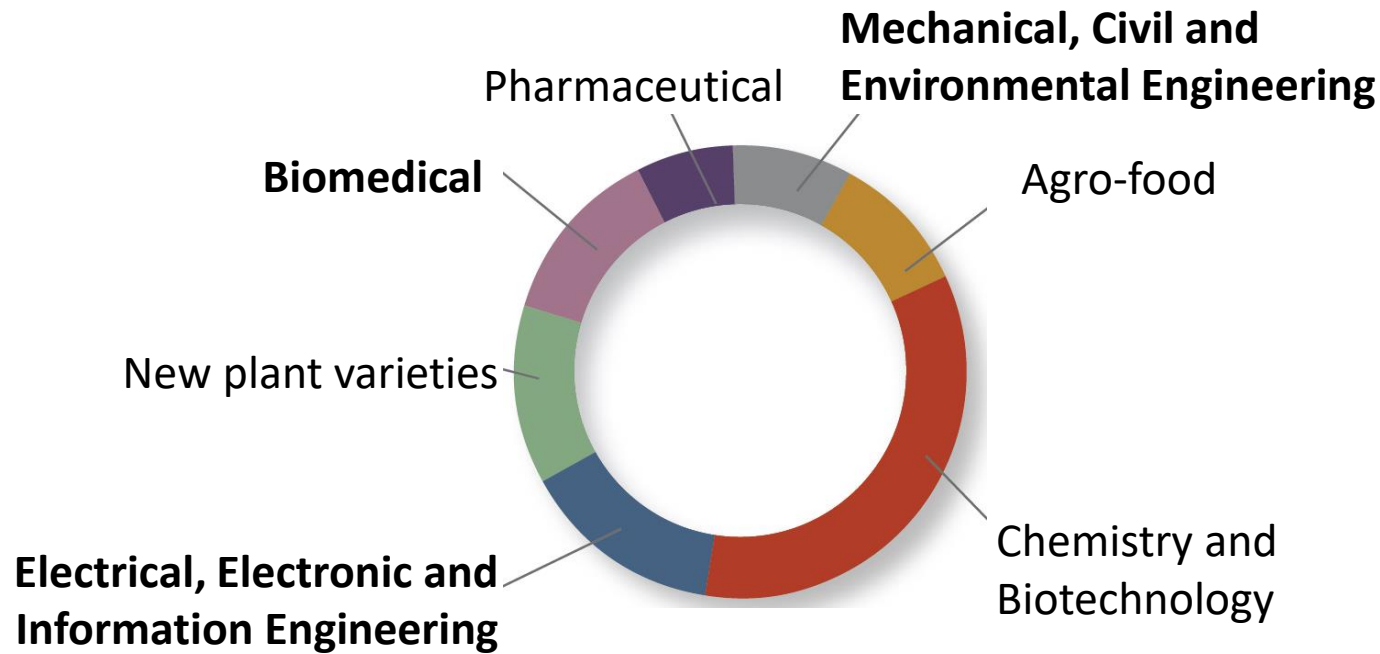
Scientific production

- The University has systematically monitored its scientific production since 1997. Records were computerised in 1999 and are updated freely by professors and research fellows via input to dedicated software written by Cineca: the Institutional Repository (IR) module of the IRIS suite gathers the data on scientific production at the University and allows full-text management of the contributions on an open-access basis.
- **The number of scientific contributions in the 3-year period 2017-2019 was stable and very large:**

2017	2018	2019
10,750	10,546	10,344



Patents and Licenses





OUR DEPARTMENT

Department of Electrical, Electronic, and Information Engineering «Guglielmo Marconi» (DEI)

Structures

DEPARTMENTS

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DEI Department

- Develops and transfers knowledge in Electrical Electronic, and Information Technology.
- Provides a broad spectrum of in-depth knowledge together with strong synergy for professional and personal growth of students and researchers
- www.dei.unibo.it
- [FB: DEI.University.Bologna/](https://www.facebook.com/DEI.University.Bologna/)



Department of Electrical, Electronic, and Information Engineering «Guglielmo Marconi» (DEI)

- More than 110 Professors and Researchers
- 30 internal research laboratories
- 3 Inter-departmental research centers:
 - ARCES
 - CIRI ICT
 - CIRI HST
- External research centers associated:
 - CNIT
 - CNR
 - NITEL
 - ELMO

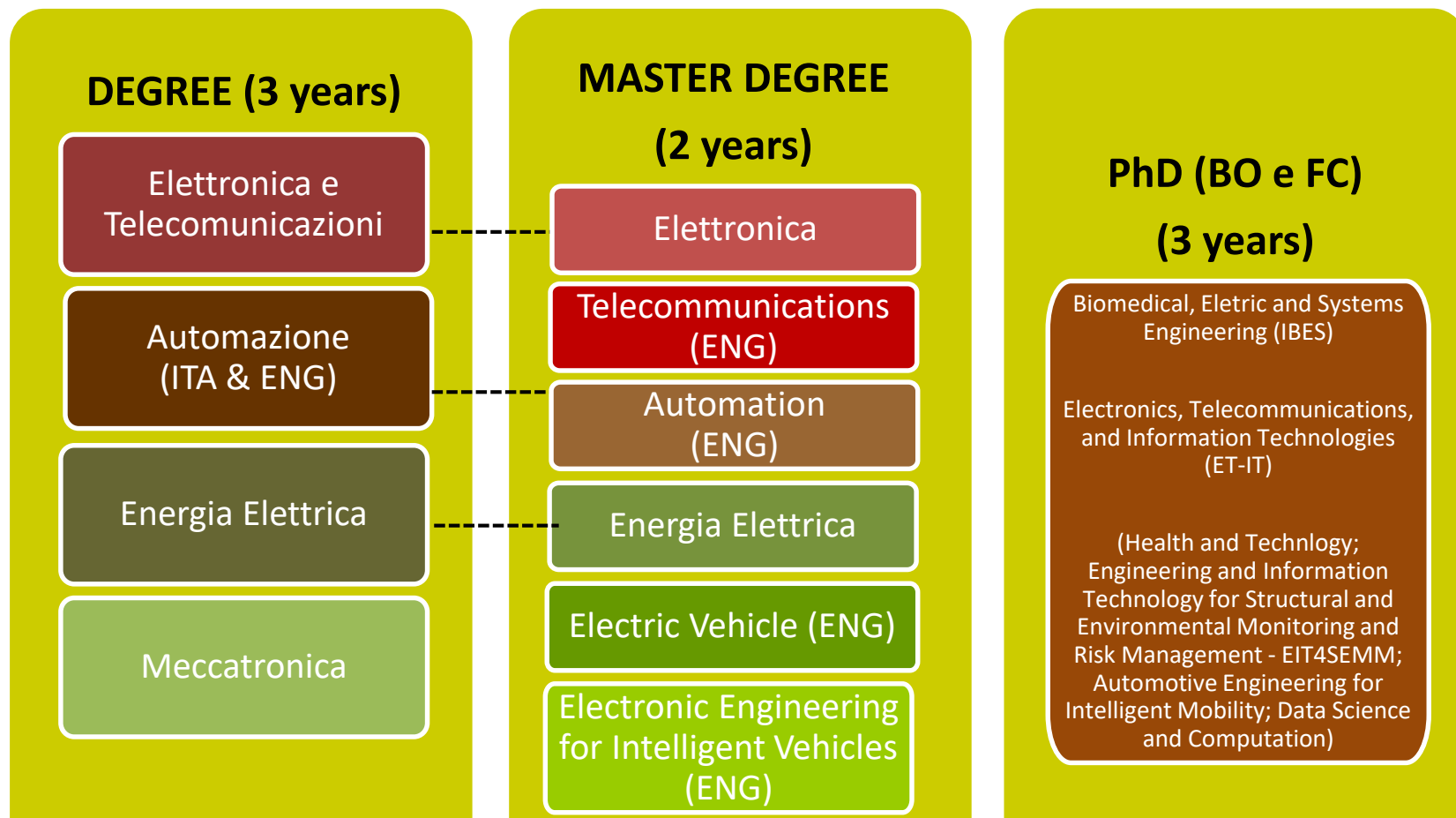
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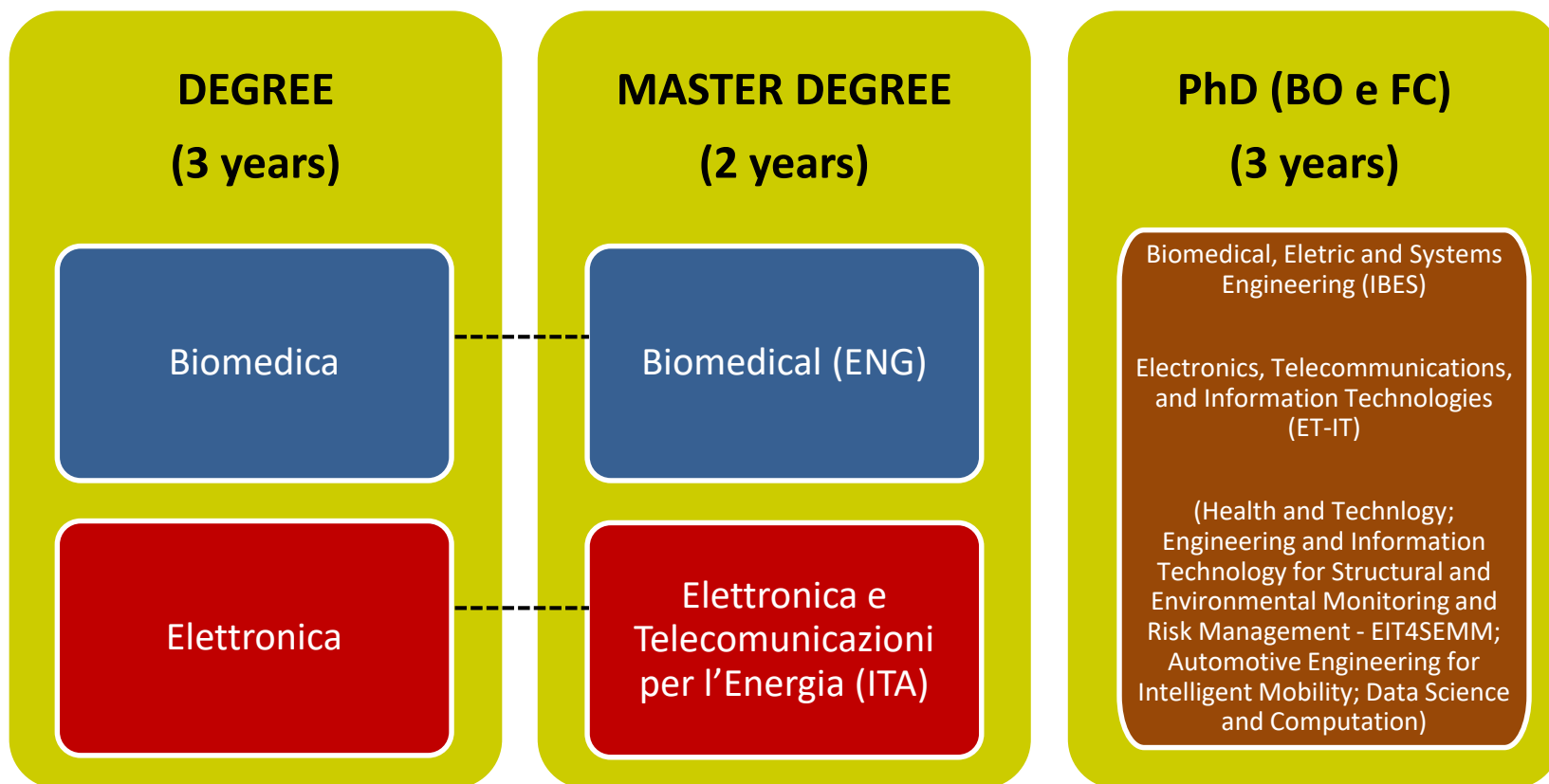
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DEI courses -- Bologna



DEI courses -- Cesena





IBES PhD Programme

IBES History and Scope

- IBES is the merging of three previously independent programmes:
 - Ingegneria dei Sistemi, later Automatica e Ricerca Operativa
 - Ingegneria Biomedica
 - Ingegneria Elettrica
 - all started from 1° Cycle (1983)
- “IBES” Alumni is a large and highly successful community including a large number of permanent academic staff and researchers employed in public and private industries worldwide
- Large number of students: 12-18 enrolled every year (>50% from external funds)
- Large number of potential PhD advisors (“IBES” disciplines are >60% of DEI staff)
- Wide scope and interdisciplinary nature
 - Automatic & Operations Research
 - Bioengineering
 - Electrical engineering
- Web site <https://phd.unibo.it/ibes/en>
- Email dei-phd-ibes@unibo.it



IBES Program Structure

Training

- Through Research
 - Supervised research
 - On-premises
- Training courses
 - Master Courses
 - PhD Courses
 - Schools and Workshops
 - Seminars

Evaluation

- Daily cooperation with the supervisor
- 1st and 2nd year → Yearly report and presentation
- 3rd year → Yearly report and presentation for defense admission

PhD Defense

- Committee of at least 3 members
- Typically, in April/May





An IBES PhD Student shall

- make research
- submit papers to international scientific journals/conferences
- improve inter-personal relationships (DEI is a vast resource of knowledge)
- keep an open-door approach
- write a nice PhD thesis

IBES rules: PhD career

For being admitted to the final exam, an IBES PhD Student shall

- attend IBES courses associated with her/his curriculum
- spend a research period abroad (min 3 months)
- attend at least 1 Summer School or 1 National/International School, whose topic is close to her/his own research topic
- present at least one paper at an international conference on a topic related to her/his research topic
- publish at least one article on an international journal on a topic related to her/his research topic
- comply with the specific requirements for each curricula



IBES Teaching Activities

Type <https://phd.unibo.it/ibes/en/agenda> for updates and details

The screenshot displays the 'PHD PROGRAMME BIOMEDICAL, ELECTRICAL AND SYSTEM ENGINEERING' website. The header includes the Alma Mater Studiorum logo, navigation links (HOME, IBES, PEOPLE, ADMISSION, CAREER, COURSES AND EVENTS, INVEST IN IBES, CONTACTS), and language options (IT, EN). The 'COURSES AND EVENTS' section is active, showing a list of upcoming events. The first event is an 'EXTERNAL COURSE' on 'English – academic and scientific writing' from January to December 2022. The second event is a 'SEMINAR' on 'Robot Learning from Few Examples by Exploiting the Structure and Geometry of Data' on November 23, 2022, held in Room 1.3. Below these are 'Concluded events', including a seminar on 'Feedback system analysis' on October 14 and a 'PHD SCHOOL' on September 12-15, 2022.

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Courses and events

IBES students can find here PhD courses and relevant seminars offered at DEI

Calendar Category

01 JANUARY – 31 DECEMBER 2022

EXTERNAL COURSE
English – academic and scientific writing.
CLA
Secondo semestre. Date da definirsi (2
Crediti)

23 NOVEMBER 2022

SEMINAR
Robot Learning from Few Examples by
Exploiting the Structure and Geometry of
Data
Room 1.3 - Department of Electrical,
Electronic, and Information Engineering
"Guglielmo Marconi" DEI - Viale Risorgimento,
2 - Bologna
The seminar is held by Dr. Sylvain Calinon,
Senior Research Scientist at Idiap Research
Institute and Lecturer at Ecole Polytechnique
Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)

Concluded events

14 OCTOBER 2022

SEMINAR
Feedback system analysis: back to the
future
Room 0.2 - Department of Electrical,
Electronic, and Information Engineering

23 SEPTEMBER 2022

SEMINAR
Spiking Control Systems
Room 1.3 - Department of Electrical,
Electronic, and Information Engineering
"Guglielmo Marconi" DEI - Viale Risorgimento,

12 SEPTEMBER – 15 SEPTEMBER 2022

PHD SCHOOL
GNB annual school on "Biomedical
Engineering for Sustainable
Development"
Aula Magna - Casa della gioventù



General rules: travelling > 1 month

a. Before

1. Collect the supervisor approval letter and the **invitation letter**
2. Fill the authorization request form
3. Send them to dei-phd-ibes@unibo.it

Once authorized:

1. fill the request for the increase of the scholarship form (further info in the following slide)
2. send it to udottricerca@unibo.it



b. During

If you are planning to stay abroad longer, the PhD Board must authorize the extension of the period. Fill the specific request form and send it to dei-phd-ibes@unibo.it

c. After

Submit your credit recognition request to dei-phd-ibes@unibo.it

Further info at: <https://phd.unibo.it/ibes/en/career/internship-abroad>



General rules: mobility funding

If you plan to stay abroad:

- less than 1 month, your supervisor can fund your stay.
- between 1 and 12 months, you are eligible for a 50% increase of your PhD scholarship.

Furthermore, every year in May and November you can apply for the Marco Polo Programme, which offers mobility scholarships to promote research activities abroad for young UNIBO researchers and PhD students



General rules: working while attending the PhD

Any time you are planning to accept a job assignment, **no matter if the employer is UNIBO**:

- Collect the supervisor approval
- Fill in the authorization request form
- Send them to dei-phd-ibes@unibo.it
- Wait for the approval of the PhD Board before signing the contract.



Further info at:

<https://phd.unibo.it/ibes/en/career/working-while-attending-the-phd>



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General rules: 10% budget for research activities

PhD Students are eligible for a specific budget, called “10% budget”, which is dedicated to cover travel expenses related to research periods and participation to courses/congresses in Italy and abroad.

For further information about the 10% budget write to dei-phd-ibes@unibo.it





WELCOME ON BOARD

Current IBES Students


- 56 Students
 - 9 coming from outside Italy
 - 22 Curriculum Automatics and Operational Research
 - 11 Curriculum Bioengineering
 - 23 Curriculum Electrical Engineering

- 31[^] Cycle: 12 Students
- 32[^] Cycle: 8 Students
- 33[^] Cycle: 18 Students
- 34[^] Cycle: 17 Students
- 35[^] Cycle: 16 students
- 36[^] Cycle: 15 students
- 37[^] Cycle: 21 students
- 38[^] Cycle: 20 students



Meet your colleagues: PhD Students 36° and 37° cycle

<https://phd.unibo.it/ibes/en/people/current-ph-d-students>



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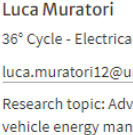
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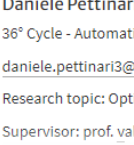
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Research topic: Advanced sensors and measurement approaches for Electric vehicle energy management
Supervisor: prof. Lorenzo Peretto



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Research topic: Heuristic Algorithms for Combinatorial Optimization Problems



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Research topic: Optimization Methods for Large-scale Applied Problems
Supervisor: prof. valentina Cacchiani



IBES Structure

Faculty

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Domenico
- Grandi Gabriele
- Macchelli Alessandro
- Magosso Elisa
- Malaguti Enrico
- Marconi Lorenzo
- Mazzanti Giovanni
- Melchiorri Claudio
- Notarstefano Giuseppe
- Nucci Carlo Alberto
- Palli Gianluca
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IBES PhD Students 38° cycle (1° call)

Family name	Name	Research topic	Supervisor	Co-supervisor	Curriculum	SSD	Place
BARONCINI	SIMONE	Learning-driven optimal control of autonomous systems under uncertainty and dynamic environments	GIUSEPPE NOTARSTEFANO	ALESSANDRO MACCHELLI	Automatic Control and Operations Research	ING-INF/04	DEI
BETTI	CHRISTIAN	Modelling of Instruments transformers for digital twin applications in modern electric power network	ALESSANDRO MINGOTTI	LORENZO PERETTO	Electrical engineering	ING-INF/07	DEI
GOVONI	ANDREA	Manipolazione Robotica di Oggetti Deformabili	GIANLUCA PALLI	CLAUDIO MELCHIORRI	Automatic Control and Operations Research	ING-INF/04	DEI
MONTI	MELISSA	A multimodal study of the development of perceptual abilities in ASD	CRISTIANO CUPPINI	ELISA MAGOSSO e SOPHIE MOLHOLM	Biomedical engineering	ING-INF/06	DEI



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Family name	Name	Research topic	Supervisor	Co-supervisor	Curriculum	SSD	Place
NEGRI	VIRGINIA	AI-based distributed measurements architecture in electrical power systems	ROBERTO TINARELLI	LORENZO PERETTO	Electrical engineering	ING-INF/07	DEI
PITTALA	LOHITH KUMAR	Development of dual and/or multi active bridge configurations and control	GABRIELE GRANDI	MATTIA RICCO	Electrical engineering	ING-IND/31	DEI
SICBALDI	MARCELLO	Wearable Systems for Monitoring and Analyzing Physiological Signals in older subjects	LORENZO CHIARI	ALESSANDRO SILVANI (DIBINEM) e LUCA PALMERINI (DEI)	Biomedical engineering	ING-INF/06	DEI



IBES PhD Students 38° cycle (PNRR call)

Family name	Name	Research topic	Supervisor	Co-supervisor	Curriculum	SSD	Place
ALINEZHAD	LIDA	Machine learning and radiomics for cardiac adipose tissue quantification	CRISTIANA CORSI	FRANCESCO MAFFESANTI e STEFANO SEVERI	Biomedical engineering	ING-INF/06	DEI/Maria Cecilia Hospital
ANJUM	SAEED	Development of mixed model-based and data-driven methods for robotic manipulation of unknown and deformable objects	GIANLUCA PALLI	CLAUDIO MELCHIORRI	Automatic Control and Operations Research	ING-INF/04	DEI
EUSEBI	ANDREA	Analysis and design of hybrid optimization and AI approaches for clinical research at "IRCCS Azienda Ospedaliero-Universitaria di Bologna"	ENRICO MALAGUTI	PAOLO TUBERTINI	Automatic Control and Operations Research	MAT/09	DEI/IRCCS Azienda Ospedaliero-Universitaria di Bologna
GU DALA	BHAVANA	Large power converter architecture studies and optimization on hardware configuration and control methods	VINCENZO CIRIMELE	GABRIELE GRANDI	Electrical engineering	ING-IND/31	DEI/Energy Technology srl



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Family name	Name	Research topic	Supervisor	Co-supervisor	Curriculum	SSD	Place
	MAHRUKH	Sviluppo di sistemi per la generazione automatica di traiettorie ottime	CLAUDIO MELCHIORRI	GIANLUCA PALLI	Automatic Control and Operations Research	ING-INF/04	DEI/Sacmi
MICHELOTTO	FEDERICO	Optimization algorithms for complex decision systems	MICHELE MONACI	DANIELE VIGO	Automatic Control and Operations Research	MAT/09	DEI
OMODEI	NICOLÒ	Sviluppo di un sistema di raccolta automatica in ambito frutticoltura	LORENZO MARCONI	NICOLA MIMMO	Automatic Control and Operations Research	ING-INF/04	DEI/Fields robotics
PEROZZI	MARCO	Sviluppo di un sistema robotizzato per la manifattura di parti in materiale composito	GIANLUCA PALLI	CLAUDIO MELCHIORRI	Automatic Control and Operations Research	ING-INF/04	DEI/Mind srl



IBES PhD Students 38° cycle (PNRR call)

Family name	Name	Research topic	Supervisor	Co-supervisor	Curriculum	SSD	Place
SAMADI KOHNEHSHAHRI	FARSHAD	Machine learning techniques for pattern and biomarker identification in patients with neurological pathologies	RITA STAGNI	ANDREA MERLO	Biomedical engineering	ING-IND/34	DEI/Sol et salus spa
TRAMALONI	ANDREA	Artificial Intelligence Methods for Complex Systems in Medicine and Biology	GIUSEPPE NOTARSTEFANO	ALESSANDRO MACCHELLI	Automatic Control and Operations Research	ING-INF/04	DEI
ZATTONI	LUCA	Analysis and design of hybrid optimization and AI approaches for clinical research at "IRCCS Azienda Ospedaliero-Universitaria di Bologna"	ENRICO MALAGUTI	PAOLO TUBERTINI	Automatic Control and Operations Research	MAT/09	DEI/IRCCS Azienda Ospedaliero-Universitaria di Bologna



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