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Curriculum Vitae

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Positions

- Sep. '21-Present **Postdoc in Cryptography**, Aarhus University (Aarhus Crypto Group, [Webpage](#)), Denmark.
Dec. '15-Nov. '16 **Graduate Student Researcher**, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy.
Supervisor: Prof. Chiara Petrioli.

Education

- Aug. '17-Sep. '21 **Ph.D. in Computer Science**, Stevens Institute of Technology, NJ, US.
Major: Cryptography.
Advisor: Prof. Giuseppe Ateniese.
Dissertation: *Kolmogorov Complexity and Cryptography: New Connections and Applications to Space-demanding Functions*.
Oct. '14-July '16 **M. Sc. Computer Science**, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy.
Final Grade: 110/110 Summa Cum Laude (GPA: 29.77/30).
Thesis: *Practical Backdoors for PRNGs Enabling Mass Surveillance*.
Advisor: Prof. Giuseppe Ateniese.
Oct. '11-July '14 **B. Sc. Computer Science**, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy.
Final Grade: 110/110 Summa Cum Laude (GPA: 28.81/30).
Thesis: *Link Prediction in Large Crowds: Gli Smartphone Probes Raccontano chi Frequenti e Dove*.
Advisor: Prof. Alessandro Mei.

Grants

- Sep. '21 **RFP-009 on Proofs of Space and Useful Space**, Protocol Labs, PI/co-PI and researcher (\$50.000,00).
Topic: *New constructions of verifiable capacity-bound functions*.

Publications

Conference Proceedings

- EUROCRYPT 23 **Multi-key and Multi-input Predicate encryption from Learning with Errors**, Danilo Francati, Daniele Friolo, Giulio Malavolta, and Daniele Venturi, Advances in Cryptology–EUROCRYPT 2023: 42nd Annual International Conference on the Theory and Applications of Cryptographic Techniques, URL <https://eprint.iacr.org/2022/806>
(To appear)
PKC 23 **Structure-Preserving Compilers from New Notions of Obfuscations**, Matteo Campanelli, Danilo Francati, and Claudio Orlandi, 26th IACR International Conference on Practice and Theory of Public-Key Cryptography, URL <https://eprint.iacr.org/2022/732>
(To appear)
PKC 23 **Verifiable Capacity-bound Functions: A New Primitive from Kolmogorov Complexity (Revisiting space-based security in the adaptive setting)**, Giuseppe Ateniese, Long Chen, Danilo Francati, Dimitrios Papadopoulos, and Qiang Tang, 26th IACR International Conference on Practice and Theory of Public-Key Cryptography, URL <https://eprint.iacr.org/2021/162>
(To appear)

- CCS 22 **Eluding Secure Aggregation in Federated Learning via Model Inconsistency**, *Dario Pasquini, Danilo Francati, and Giuseppe Ateniese*, Proceedings of the 2022 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security. 2022, pp. 2429-2443, ISBN 978-1-4503-9450-5, URL <https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.1145/3548606.3560557>
- INDOCRYPT 21 **Identity-Based Matchmaking Encryption without Random Oracles**, *Danilo Francati, Alessio Guidi, Luigi Russo, and Daniele Venturi*, International Conference on Cryptology in India. Springer, Cham. 2021, pp. 415-435, Lecture Notes in Computer Science 13143, ISBN 978-3-030-92518-8, URL https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-030-92518-5_19
- SBC 21 **Audita: A Blockchain-based Auditing Framework for Off-chain Storage**, *Danilo Francati, Giuseppe Ateniese, Abdoulaye Faye, Andrea Maria Milazzo, Angelo Massimo Perillo, Luca Schiatti, and Giuseppe Giordano*, Proceedings of the 9th International Workshop on Security in Blockchain and Cloud Computing. 2021. ISBN 978-1-4503-8405-6, URL <https://dl.acm.org/doi/abs/10.1145/3457977.3460293>
- CANS 20 **Arcula: A secure hierarchical deterministic wallet for multi-asset blockchains**, *Adriano Di Luzio, Danilo Francati, and Giuseppe Ateniese*, International Conference on Cryptology and Network Security. Springer, Cham, 2020. pp. 323-343, Lecture Notes in Computer Science 12579, ISBN 978-3-030-65410-8, URL https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-030-65411-5_16
- ACNS 19 **Public immunization against complete subversion without random oracles**, *Giuseppe Ateniese, Danilo Francati, Bernardo Magri, and Daniele Venturi*, International Conference on Applied Cryptography and Network Security. Springer. 2019, pp. 465-485, Lecture Notes in Computer Science 11464, ISBN 978-3-030-21567-5, URL https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-030-21568-2_23
- CRYPTO 19 **Match me if you can: Matchmaking encryption and its applications**, *Giuseppe Ateniese, Danilo Francati, David Nuñez, and Daniele Venturi*, Annual International Cryptology Conference. Springer, Cham. 2019, pp. 701-731, Lecture Notes in Computer Science 11693, ISBN 978-3-030-26950-0, URL https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-030-26951-7_24

Journals

- Journal of Cryptology **Match me if you can: Matchmaking encryption and its applications**, *Giuseppe Ateniese, Danilo Francati, David Nuñez, and Daniele Venturi*, Journal of Cryptology, 34.16, (2021). DOI: 10.1007/s00145-021-09381-4, URL <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00145-021-09381-4>
- Theoretical Computer Science **Immunization against complete subversion without random oracles**, *Giuseppe Ateniese, Danilo Francati, Bernardo Magri, and Daniele Venturi*, Theoretical Computer Science. 2021. DOI: 10.1016/j.tcs.2021.01.002, URL <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0304397521000190>

Talks

- November '22 **Invited talk @ Seminars in Cybersecurity [link]**, *Sapienza University of Rome, Rome, Italy*.
Title: *Eluding Secure Aggregation in Federated Learning via Model Inconsistency*.
- July '22 **Talk @ Crypto Day**, *Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark*.
Title: *Structure-Preserving Compilers from New Notions of Obfuscations*.
- January '22 **Invited talk @ SPRING Lab (EPFL)**, *Online due to COVID-19*.
Title: *Anonymous Communication: Matchmaking Encryption*.
- June '21 **Author & Speaker @ SBC workshop (held in conjunction with ASIACCS21)**, *Online due to COVID-19*.
Title: *Audita: A Blockchain-based Auditing Framework for Off-chain Storage*.
- February '21 **Talk @ Aarhus Crypto Group (Aarhus University) [link]**, *Online due to COVID-19*.

- Title: *Kolmogorov complexity and cryptography: New connections and applications to space-demanding functions.*
- February '21 **Talk @ IMDEA Software** [[link](#)], Online due to COVID-19.
 Title: *Kolmogorov complexity and cryptography: New connections and applications to space-demanding functions.*
- December '20 **Author & Speaker @ CANS20** [[Video](#)], Online due to COVID-19.
 Title: *Arcula: A Secure Hierarchical Deterministic Wallet for Multi-asset Blockchains.*
- August '19 **Author & Speaker @ CRYPTO19** [[Video](#)], Santa Barbara, California, US.
 Title: *Match me if you can: matchmaking encryption and its applications.*
- June '19 **Author & Speaker @ ACNS19**, Bogotá, Colombia.
 Title: *Public immunization against complete subversion without random oracles.*

Academic Services

- Program Committee *5th Distributed Ledger Technology Workshop (DLT 2023) May 25-26 2023, Bologna, Italy.*
- Subreviewer (Conferences) *CANS 18, CRYPTO 19, PKC 20, CANS 21, CT-RSA 22, CRYPTO 22, CCS 22, TCC 22, Usenix Security 23, EUROCRYPT 23, ACNS 23, ISIT 23.*
- Reviewer (Journals) *IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics and Security, IEEE Transaction on Dependable and Secure Computing, The Computer Journal, Journal of Systems Architecture, IET Information Security, Theory of Computing Systems.*
- Session Chair *Track: Advanced Public Key Primitives @ CCS 22, Los Angeles, CA.*

Awards and Scholarships

- Aug. '18-Jun. '19 **I&E Fellowship**, offered by Stevens Institute of Technology, NJ, US.
- Aug. '17-Jun. '18 **Provost's Doctoral Fellowship**, offered by Stevens Institute of Technology, NJ, US.
- Dec. '15-Nov. '16 **Graduate Student Research Scholarship offered by Prof. Chiara Petrioli**, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy.
- Sep. '12-July '16 **LazioDisu Scholarship**, Rome, Italy.
- July '16 **LazioDisu M. Sc. degree award**, Rome, Italy.
- July '14 **LazioDisu B. Sc. degree award**, Rome, Italy.
- Nov. '13 **Travel grant to ACM Sensys '13**, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy.
- June '15 **Top three final projects Twitter4Uni contest** [[link article Italian only](#)], Milan, Italy.