

Dear all,

Welcome to all new members of young SIS!

On January 31st 2018, the members of the ySIS board Federico Camerlenghi and Giorgia Rocco have completed their mandate. We would like to thank them for their contribution and dedication to the group. The new elected officers are Anna Calissano and Saverio Ranciati, who started on February 1st 2018. Daniele Durante has been elected by the officers as Chair of the ySIS board.

Below some news on the forthcoming events that we are supporting.

StaTalk on “Complex data and real world applications” @Polimi

StaTalks are one-day informal seminars for young statisticians, undergraduate and graduate students. They are a great opportunity to share and update your knowledge on the interface of Statistical research in an easy atmosphere. The last StaTalk has been held on November 14th, 2017, at the University of Padova. The next StaTalk will be organized at Polimi approximately in May 2018. It will be centered around **5 different application fields** that are studied by the statisticians at MOX laboratory.

Each topic is introduced by a young researcher during a 30 minutes talk in the morning. Then, one or more experts of the specific field will open a discussion during the roundtable in the afternoon: the idea is to discuss about the role of statistics in the specific field and about the interplay among the practitioners and the statisticians/data scientists. The topics covered during the workshop will include Administrative data, Neuroimaging, Earth science, Smart cities and Climate change.

SIS 2018, Palermo, June 20-22, 2018

The **49th Scientific Meeting of the Italian Statistical Society (SIS)** will be held on June 20-22 in Palermo. The Conference will include different plenary, specialized, solicited, poster and contributed sessions. Submissions of contributed papers for poster sessions or oral presentations on any area of interest relevant to theoretical and applied statistics are invited. SIS is also increasingly promoting posters and speed poster sessions as a valuable occasion to share and discuss research in a dynamic and stimulating environment. At SIS2018, posters will be reserved several speed sessions and several spaces for an effective exposition, along with the possibility of poster prizes. We invite you all to prepare and submit your contribution! The deadline for short-paper submission is **February 14th, 2017**. A reduced fee will be applied to junior associates and PhD students. For more information, please see <http://meetings3.sis-statistica.org/index.php/sis2018/49th>

Two *satellite* events will be organized with the SIS 2018 Conference: **Stats Under the Stars 4** and **START UP RESEARCH (follow-up)**, see below.

STATS UNDER THE STARS 4 (SUS4)

Stats under the Stars 4 (SUS4) is the fourth edition of the event Stats under the Stars. The aim of the event is to build a bridge between students and statistics. Stats under the Stars 4 will be held in Palermo during the night between 19 and 20 June 2018 at the "Dipartimento di Giurisprudenza", when the participant teams will challenge in the analysis of a dataset. This event represents a meeting opportunity for young statisticians: in this occasion, the utility of statistics as fundamental instrument from the point of view of decisions will emerge. The participation to SUS4 is free of charge. Nevertheless, for organizational reasons, all people interested in participating have to register (deadline May 31, 2018). For more information please visit the website <http://www.unipa.it/dipartimenti/seas/sus4>

START UP RESEARCH (Follow-up)

Start Up Research was a 2-day meeting where small research groups of young scholars, advised by senior researchers with a well-established experience in different areas of Statistics, were asked to develop

innovative methods and models to analyze a common dataset from the Neurosciences. The scientific follow-up of this meeting will be held on June 19 in Palermo. During this event, the groups will present and discuss the scientific output of their works after one year of research. This follow-up will be also an occasion to announce additional positive results obtained by Start Up Research. An example is a recent article on Start Up Research appeared these days on Significance (<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1740-9713.2018.01110.x/full>) more informations will be posted soon on the website: <http://www.congressi.unisi.it/startupresearch/>

Remember that we are on Facebook: sign in to our group in order to be up-to-date on our events and news!

See you soon,

The ySIS board