

# y-SIS Newsletter



## Winter is coming!

*The air is getting cold, Santa Claus is preparing the sleigh, the atmosphere is becoming merrier and the Young SIS board is being renovated! On December 31st, 2023, the members of the y-SIS board **Pierfrancesco Alaimo Di Loro** and **Fabio Centofanti** will complete their mandate. We want to wholeheartedly thank them for their dedication to the*

*group, many of this year's activities were shaped by their enthusiasm and passion. We wish them luck for the future! The hard task of replacing them is on the newly elected officers **Luca Aiello** and **Marco Mingione**, who will start on January 1st, 2024. **Veronica Ballerini** has been nominated coordinator of the y-SIS board and **Filippo Ascolani** will be our new secretary.*

*Below you can find a recap of this rich 2023, together with some news on the exciting events that we have in mind for the next year! For real-time news, do not forget to follow us on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#)!*

## 2023: a hot summer!

JUNE-SEPTEMBER

The statistical summer started fast with [Stats Under the Stars \(SUS<sup>6</sup>\)](#), a **whole night event for young statisticians**, where different teams competed in constructing dynamic asset portfolios based on time series data. Congratulations to all the participants and the winning teams!

SUS<sup>6</sup> was a satellite event of the [Intermediate Scientific Meeting](#) of the Italian Statistical Society, held in Ancona. In that occasion, we assigned the *Best PhD Student Contribution Award* to **Elena Sabbioni** (Politecnico di Torino), the *Best Young Contribution Award* to **Luca Merlo** (Università Europea di Roma), and an honorable mention to **Sally Paganin** (Harvard University). Thanks to everyone who came to our sessions!

Finally, in September [StaTalk](#), a full day dedicated to young statis-

ticians, came back to R(h)ome! We had the pleasure to host **67 participants**, **12 invited talks**, one keynote speaker and many special guests. We were incredibly happy to see many of you there, enjoying the social interactions and the never-ending delicacies. We thank again our sponsors ([DSS Sapienza](#) and [IAC-CNR](#)) for allowing everyone to attend the event **free of charge!**

## Tell me Y-SIS

ALWAYS!

**Tell me Y-SIS: Share, Inform, Stimulate** is a new way for y-SIS members to *share* the insights of their most recent articles and *inform* the scientific community via our social channels. We aim to disseminate recent scientific achievements of young researchers and *stimulate* the exchange of ideas. This year we had amazing contributions by **Beatrice Franzolini**, **Rosario Barone**, and -

our latest - **Andrea Gilardi**, titled "Measurement error models for spatial network lattice data: Analysis of car crashes in Leeds." Fill out this [form](#) if you want to tell us about the highlights of your last paper!

## CMStatistics2023

BERLIN, DECEMBER 16-18

Young SIS is alive also **beyond the Italian borders!** Today at the "16th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics" we feature an invited session named *y-SIS - Advances in Robust Statistical Methods for Complex Data*, organized by our revered **Giorgia Zaccaria** (University of Milan Bicocca). Four exciting contributions were given by **Salvatore Daniele Tomarchio** (University of Catania), **Andrea Cappelletto** (Politecnico di Milano), **Matteo Farnè** (University of Bologna) and **Max Welz** (Erasmus University Rotterdam).

Recall that a crucial mission for Young SIS is to promote **networking among young statisticians** all around Europe and with European and International young groups of **other scientific societies**. As an example, remember the partnership with **YoungStatS**, spin-off of [Young Statisticians Europe](#).

## What's next?

TO INFINITY...AND BEYOND!

Many things are happening behind the scenes and we are looking forward to disclosing everything! We will follow the path started in the last few years, but we will not miss out on exciting novelties. Preparations for the next **Scientific Meeting** of the Italian Statistical Society,

to be held in Bari, are in full swing: our esteemed **Giorgia Zaccaria** is at the forefront in the organizing committee. Look forward to prizes, dedicated sessions, and social gatherings!

Similarly, **SUS<sup>7</sup>** and the new version of **StaTalk** are in our view! Someone whispers about a tour of the old Italian capitals, but nothing sure can be revealed yet...



A glimpse of our **young summer**: on the left one of the prized teams for **SUS<sup>6</sup>** competition, on the right the crowd for the new edition of **StaTalk**. Young SIS members are always photogenic!



The Young SIS delegation at **CMStatistics2023** conference in Berlin. A secret mission ahead?