Dear y-SIS members,
Below you can find some news on the past events and the forthcoming ones. However, let us first highlight the upcoming y-SIS elections!

y-SIS 2019 Elections
In mid November, we will have the formal y-SIS elections to substitute the three board members Daniele Durante, Tommaso Rigon and Ilaria Bianchini, who concluded their two-year mandate. **Every y-SIS member can put himself/herself forward as a candidate. Do not be shy and send us your nomination by the end of October!** Your candidacy can be sent to the two members of the Electoral Committee (Federico Camerlenghi and Giorgia Rocco). However, to ensure that all the applications are correctly received, make sure also to cc us at youngsis.2013@gmail.com.

REMEMBER that only y-SIS members can vote. To be a y-SIS member you need to be a SIS member below 35 (people born in 1983 are still considered junior members until the end of 2018). **However**, this condition is necessary but not sufficient. In fact, you are also required to fill in the form https://youngsis.github.io/registration.html !!!

PAST EVENTS
There have been many successful y-SIS activities this summer during the 49th Scientific Meeting of the Italian Statistical Society (SIS) held on June 20-22 in Palermo. The **y-SIS invited session "Young Contributions to Statistical Learning"** has featured interesting talks by Clara Grazian, Roberta Pappadà and Guillaume Kon Kam King, with a very good attendance. There have been also great poster contributions by young researchers, and the **y-SIS poster prize** has been awarded to Andrea Gilardi for his contribution *Spatiotemporal Prevision for Emergency Medical System Events in Milan.* The two y-SIS endorsed satellites **Stats Under the Stars 4 (SUS4)** and **Start-up Research (follow-up)** have been successful networking occasions for young researchers. The list of winners of SUS4 can be found at https://www.unipa.it/dipartimenti/seas/sus4/vincitori/, whereas the Springer Volume collecting the contributions of Start-up Research is currently in publication at https://www.springer.com/us/book/9783030000387.

FUTURE EVENTS
*   **StaTalks:** After the success of the StaTalk on "Complex data and real world applications" @Polimi, the **StaTalk at Banca d'Italia on "New Challenges in Official Statistics"** (November 9, 2018 – Centro Convegni "Carlo Azeglio Ciampi", via Nazionale 190) is approaching! Here you can find the program and the link to register: **https://www.bancaditalia.it/media/agenda/2018-11-09_statalk-on-new-challenges-in-official-statistics/**. We are also working on the spring **StaTalk at the Department of Statistical Sciences "Paolo Fortunati"** (University of Bologna).
*   **y-SIS session at CMStatistics 2018 (ERCIM 2018):** For those of you who will attend CMStatistics 2018 (ERCIM 2018) on 14-16 December 2018, in Pisa, there will be a **y-SIS session on "Low-Dimensional Learning of High-Dimensional Data".** Abstracts can be found at http://www.cmstatistics.org/CMStatistics2018/fullprogramme.php.

SOCIAL NETWORKS
Remember that we are on the usual **Facebook group** and we recently created also the **Facebook page** https://www.facebook.com/youngSIStatistica/. Share and follow it! Additional news can be found in **our website** https://youngsis.github.io/ .

The y-SIS board