y-SIS Newsletter

Our last summer dance, see you in September!

*After all the y-SIS events, we now need a break... from y-SIS itself! Highlights of organized events, including our informal conference (**StaTalk**), the data competition (**Stats Under the Stars**[8]), and plenty of sessions and awards at the **SIS meeting**, are summarized below... but for real-time news do not forget to follow us on Twitter, Instagram, Facebook or join the WhatsApp channel.*

Summer Hot Topics

IBS-IR-EMR2025

SALERNO, SEPTEMBER 2025

In light of the complexity of the current international political context and the range of perspectives within the Italian young statistical community, we have decided to withdraw the institutional endorsement of the scientific society y-SIS from the session *Bayesian Methods and Applications in Clinical Research*, which we had initially proposed and supported as part of the Joint Conference of the Italian and Eastern Mediterranean Regions of the International Biometric Society (IBS-IR-EMR2025). This decision was made out of respect for the plurality of views among our members. We would like to emphasize that the members of our group involved in the session will continue to contribute to its organization in a personal capacity, but not as official representatives of y-SIS.

On behalf of the organizing committee, we refer you to the statement issued by the IBS Society, available here. Feel free to reach out for any further clarification on the matter.

y-SIS Board Elections

NOVEMBER 2025

As you already know, Marco Mingione and Luca Aiello are concluding their two-year mandate and will leave the board on December 31st, 2025. Therefore, there will be two empty spots to fill and **we need you**! Martina, Giulia and Matteo can't wait to work with eager and proactive candidates to keep planning all y-SIS activities forthcoming in 2026.

While relaxing during the summer break, take the time to think about this opportunity and get in touch with us if you have any questions! After the summer holidays, you will receive all the important information about the elections.

Our 2025 so far

StaTalk 2025

The latest edition of StaTalk was a great success, with nearly **90 participants** in attendance! You can have a look at each of them in the photo below. The program featured a plenary talk by Federico Camerlenghi from the University of Milano-Bicocca, five invited sessions, and a highly engaging mentoring session led by Alessandra Guglielmi (PoliMi), Maria Grazia Valsecchi (UniMiB), and Alessandro Fassò (UniBg).

The poster session hosted over 15 participants, with two awarded prizes: congratulations to **Alessandra Ragni** (PoliMi) for the Best Poster Award, and to **Ylenia Francesca Buttigliero** (UniTo), who received the honorable mention.

A huge thank you goes to **Giorgia Zaccaria** (UniMiB) and **Riccardo Corradin** (UniMiB) for assisting **Martina Amongero** (UniTo & y-SIS) in selecting the winning posters, and to **Laura D'Angelo** and **Luca Danese** (UniMiB) from the local organizing committee.

Last but not least, heartfelt thanks to all the participants who filled the two days with energy and enthusiasm, and to those who made it all possible: the Department of Economics, Management and Statistics (UniMiB), Rulex, and SVQS.

What's next? We're already working on the next edition...stay tuned!

Stats Under the Stars

The 8th edition of Stats Under the Stars (**SUS**[8]) took place at Tatabox and the teams competed over a problem provided by our main sponsor **Rulex**. A committee formed by **Damiano Verda** (Rulex), **Enrico Ferrari** (Rulex), **Eva Riccomagno** (UniGe), **Leonardo Egidi** (UniTs), and **Marco Mingione** (Roma Tre & y-SIS) evaluated all submissions and selected the winning teams: it was a tough choice, with the top 7 teams tied together with a score difference smaller than $5 \cdot 10^{-3}$. Congratulations to all!

A special mention goes to **The Beauty and the Bias** (La Sapienza) for the best project overall, to **4starPD** (UniPd) for the best objective prediction, to **Brutti Manzoni** (La Sapienza) for the best quality of report and to **FornoMongelli** (UniTs) for the honorable mention for the quality of the report.

Thanks also to the University of Genoa, in particular to **Enrico Di Bella** (UniGe), and to our additional sponsors: SIS and LegaCoop, with the help of BeeViVa.

SIS 2025

y-SIS was present at **SIS 2025-Statistics for Innovations**, with 1 specialized and 2 solicited sessions. Thanks to all the participants for the great talks!

We also awarded two prizes, and a honorable mention. As regards the Best PhD Student Contribution Award, congratulations to **Giulio Beltramin** (PoliMi) for the prize. For the Best Young Contribution Award, open to all the members, a round of applause to **Angela Andreella** (UniTn) for the main prize and to **Chiara di Maria** (UniPa) for the honorable mention.

We want to thank the committee for the latter prize: **Alessia Pini** (UCSC), **Bernardo Nipoti** (UniMiB), **Gianluca Mastrantonio** (PoliTo), and **Stefano Calza** (UniBg). Special thanks to **Giulia Capitoli** (UniMiB & y-SIS) for her work in the prize committee, and to **Marco Mingione** (Roma Tre & y-SIS) for his work in the global committee of the SIS meeting!