Alberto Santini

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Current Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain

affiliation Associate professor and "Ramon y Cajal" researcher at the Department of Economics and Business.

Affiliate professor at the Centre for Studies on Planetary Wellbeing.

Past Positions

2023–2024 Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain

Department of Economics and Business.

Tenure-track assistant professor.

2021–2023 ESSEC Business School, France

Department of Information Systems, Decision Sciences and Statistics.

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellow.

2017–2021 Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain

Department of Economics and Business.

Tenure-track assistant professor and "Juan de la Cierva" researcher.

2017 RWTH Aachen University, Germany

Deutsche Post Chair for the Optimisation of Distribution Networks.

Postdoctoral Researcher. Chair: Prof. Michael Schneider.

Other affiliations

2023–now Global Challenges Lab, RWTH Aachen University, Germany

Partner.

2018-now Barcelona School of Management, Spain

Professor.

2018–now Barcelona Graduate School of Mathematics, Spain

Affiliate professor.

2018–now Barcelona School of Economics, Spain

Affiliate professor.

2017–2023 RWTH Aachen University Business School, Germany

Lecturer.

Habilitations

2023 Certificado R3

Certificate in the Spanish higher education system. It recognises researchers who have reached the

European Union's R3 profile "Established Researcher". Success rate in the 2023 call: 1/3.

2023 Acreditació de Recerca (Professor Agregat)

Habilitation as Associate Professor in the Catalan higher education system.

2022 Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale a Professore di Seconda Fascia 01/A6

Habilitation as Associate Professor in the Italian higher education system.

Education

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2014–2016 University of Bologna, Italy

Ph.D. in Automatic Control and Operational Research.

Supervisors: Silvano Martello, Daniele Vigo.

2011–2013 University of Copenhagen, Denmark

M.Sc. in Mathematics, part of the Master of Excellence programme. Thesis advisors: Stefan Røpke and Louise Kallehague. Mark: 12/12.

2008–2010 University of Catania, Italy

B.Sc. in Mathematics.

Thesis advisor: Angelo Bella. Mark: 110/110 summa cum laude.

Publications Journal papers

1. Rossana Cavagnini, Alberto Santini, and Michael Schneider (2026). "Recent Developments in Location Routing Problems: Deterministic, single-echelon, single-objective, single-period problems". Available on-line (in advance) in: *European Journal of Operational Research*. DOI: 10. 1016/j.ejor.2025.09.040

- 2. Enrico Malaguti, Paolo Paronuzzi, and Alberto Santini (2026). "Algorithms and Complexity Results for the 0–1 Knapsack Problem with Group Fairness". Available on-line (in advance) in: *Optimization Letters*. DOI: 10.1007/s11590-025-02252-y
- 3. Diego Delle Donne, Alberto Santini, and Claudia Archetti (2025). "Integrating Public Transport in Sustainable Last-Mile Delivery: Column Generation Approaches". In: *European Journal of Operational Research* 324 (1), pp. 75–91. DOI: 10.1016/j.ejor.2024.12.047
 - 4. Minakshi Punam Mandal, Alberto Santini, and Claudia Archetti (2025). "Tactical workforce sizing and scheduling decisions for last-mile delivery". In: *European Journal of Operational Research* 323 (1), pp. 153–169. DOI: 10.1016/j.ejor.2024.12.006
 - 5. Alberto Santini (2025). "Destination selection and flight scheduling for regional airlines at slot-constrained airports". In: *International Transactions in Operational Research* 32 (3), pp. 1400–1421. DOI: 10.1111/itor.13505
- 6. Alberto Santini and Enrico Malaguti (2024). "The min-Knapsack Problem with Compactness Constraints and Applications in Statistics". In: *European Journal of Operational Research* 312 (1), pp. 385–397. DOI: 10.1016/j.ejor.2023.07.020
 - 7. Alberto Santini, Michael Schneider, Thibaut Vidal, and Daniele Vigo (2023). "Decomposition strategies for vehicle routing heuristics". In: *INFORMS Journal on Computing* 35.3, pp. 543–559. DOI: 10.1287/ijoc.2023.1288
 - 8. Alberto Santini and Claudia Archetti (2023). "The hazardous orienteering problem". In: *Networks* 81 (2), pp. 235–252. DOI: 10.1002/net.22129
 - 9. Michele Monaci, Ciara Pike-Burke, and Alberto Santini (2022). "Exact algorithms for the 0–1 time-bomb knapsack problem". In: *Computers & Operations Research* 145. Article ID 105848. DOI: 10.1016/j.cor.2022.105848
 - 10. Maxence Delorme and Alberto Santini (2022). "Energy-efficient automated vertical farms". In: *Omega* 109. Article ID 102611. DOI: 10.1016/j.omega.2022.102611
 - 11. Alberto Santini, Ana Viana, Xenia Klimentova, and João Pedro Pedroso (2022). "The probabilistic Travelling Salesman Problem with crowdsourcing". In: Computers & Operations Research 142. Article ID 105722. DOI: 10.1016/j.cor.2022.105722
- 12. Christian Blum, Marko Djukanovic, Alberto Santini, Hua Jiang, Chu-Min Li, Felip Manyà, and Günter Raidl (2021). "Solving common longest subsequence problems via a transformation to the maximum clique problem". In: *Computers & Operations Research* 125. Article ID 105089.

DOI: 10.1016/j.cor.2020.105089

- 13. Alberto Santini, Michael Schneider, Enrico Bartolini, and Vinicius Greco de Lemos (2021). "The crop growth planning problem in vertical farming". In: European Journal of Operational Research 294 (1), pp. 377–390. DOI: 10.1016/j.ejor.2021.01.034
- 14. Alberto Santini (2021). "Optimising the assignment of swabs and reagents for PCR testing during a viral epidemic". In: Omega 102. Article ID 102341. DOI: 10.1016/j.omega.2020.102341
- 2020 15. Renata Turkeš, Kenneth Sörensen, Lars Magnus Hvattum, Eva Barrena, Hayet Chentli, Leandro Coelho, Iman Dayarian, Axel Grimault, Anders Gullhav, Çağatay Iris, Merve Keskin, Alexander Kiefer, Richard Martin Lusby, Geraldo Regis Mauri, Marcela Monroy-Licht, Sophie Parragh, Juan-Pablo Riquelme-Rodríguez, Alberto Santini, Vínicius Gandra Martins Santos, and Charles Thomas (2020). "Data for a meta-analysis of the adaptive layer in adaptive large neighborhood search". În: Data in Brief 33. DOI: 10.1016/j.dib.2020.106568
- 16. Alberto Santini (2019). "An Adaptive Large Neighbourhood Search algorithm for the Orienteering Problem". In: Expert Systems with Applications 123, pp. 154–167. DOI: 10.1016/j.eswa. 2018.12.050
 - 17. Denis Cornaz, Fabio Furini, Enrico Malaguti, and Alberto Santini (2019). "A note on selective line-graphs and partition colorings". In: Operations Research Letters 47 (6), pp. 565–568. DOI: 10.1016/j.orl.2019.08.005
- 2018 18. Enrico Malaguti, Silvano Martello, and Alberto Santini (2018). "The Traveling Salesman Problem with Pickups, Deliveries, and Draft Limits". In: Omega 74, pp. 50-58. DOI: 10.1016/j. omega.2017.01.005
 - 19. Fabio Furini, Enrico Malaguti, and Alberto Santini (2018). "An Exact Algorithm for the Partition Coloring Problem". In: Computers & Operations Research 92, pp. 170–181. DOI: 10.1016/ j.cor.2017.12.019
 - 20. Alberto Santini, Stefan Ropke, and Lars Magnus Hvattum (2018). "A comparison of acceptance criteria for the Adaptive Large Neighbourhood Search metaheuristic". In: Journal of Heuristics 24 (5), pp. 783–815. DOI: 10.1007/s10732-018-9377-x
- 2017 21. Alberto Santini, Stefan Ropke, and Christian E.M. Plum (2017). "A branch-and-price approach to the Feeder Network Design Problem". In: European Journal of Operational Research 264 (2), pp. 607–622. DOI: 10.1016/j.ejor.2017.06.063
 - 22. Andrea Bettinelli, Alberto Santini, and Daniele Vigo (2017). "A real-time conflict solution algorithm for the Train Rescheduling Problem". In: Transportation Research Part B: Methodological 106, pp. 237–265. DOI: 10.1016/j.trb.2017.10.005
- 23. Alberto Santini, Henrik Alsing Friberg, and Stefan Ropke (2015). "A note on a model for quay crane scheduling with non-crossing constraints". In: Engineering Optimization 47.6, pp. 860-865. DOI: 10.1080/0305215X.2014.958731

Publications Submitted to journals

2026 24. Alberto Santini and Vikrant Vaze (2026). "Integrated Schedule Planning for Regional Airlines Using Column Generation". Submitted, second round of review in: Transportation Science

Technical Reports

- 2015 25. Valentina Cacchiani, Alberto Santini, and Daniele Vigo (2015). A study on metaheuristic approaches for the energy-efficient Train Timetabling Problem. Tech. rep. OR-15-6. DEI, University of Bologna
- 2014 26. Valentina Cacchiani, Alberto Santini, and Daniele Vigo (2014). A novel modelling approach for the Train Timetabling Problem. Tech. rep. OR-14-27. DEI, University of Bologna

2019

2015

Conference Talks

2025 27. Alberto Santini, Minakshi Punam Mandal, and Claudia Archetti (2025). "Tactical staffing and workforce scheduling decisions for green last-mile delivery". In: SEIO 2025 (June 10–13, 2025). Lleida, Spain 28. Alberto Santini and Vikrant Vaze (2025). "Integrated Schedule Planning for Regional Airlines Using Column Generation". In: Sixth Symposium on Aviation Research (Mar. 20–21, 2025). Bari, Italy 29. Alberto Santini, Enrico Malaguti, and Paolo Paronuzzi (2025). "The 0-1 Knapsack Problem with Group Fairness". In: Optimization and Decision Sciences (Sept. 1-4, 2025). Milan, Italy 2024 30. Alberto Santini and Vikrant Vaze (2024). "Integrated Schedule Planning for Regional Airlines Using Column Generation". In: Annual Workshop of the Transportation Group of the Spanish Society of Statistics and Operational Research (Nov. 28–29, 2024). Seville, Spain 31. Alberto Santini and Vikrant Vaze (2024). "Integrated Schedule Planning for Regional Airlines Using Column Generation". In: Optimization and Decision Sciences (Sept. 8–12, 2024). Badesi, 32. Alberto Santini and Vikrant Vaze (2024). "Integrated Schedule Planning for Regional Airlines Using Column Generation". In: 33rd European Conference on Operational Research (June 30-July 3, 2024). Copenhagen, Denmark 33. Alberto Santini, Minakshi Punam Mandal, and Claudia Archetti (2024). "Tactical staffing and workforce scheduling decisions for green last-mile delivery". In: Odysseus Conference (May 19– 24, 2024). Carmona, Spain 2023 34. Alberto Santini and Enrico Malaguti (2023). "The min-Knapsack Problem with Compactness Constraints". In: 19th Meeting of the EURO Working Group on Cutting and Packing (May 3-5, 2023). Bologna, Italy 35. Alberto Santini, Diego Delle Donne, and Claudia Archetti (2023). "Sustainable last-mile delivery using public transport". In: 6th Conference of Young Researchers of the Royal Spanish Society of Mathematics and Statistics (Feb. 6-10, 2023). León, Spain 2022 36. Alberto Santini and Claudia Archetti (2022). "The hazardous orienteering problem". In: 32nd European Conference on Operational Research (July 3-6, 2022). Helsinki, Finland 37. Alberto Santini and Claudia Archetti (2022). "The hazardous orienteering problem". In: SEIO 2022 (June 7–10, 2022). Granada, Spain 38. Alberto Santini, Michael Schneider, Thibaut Vidal, and Daniele Vigo (2022). "Decomposition strategies for vehicle routing heuristics". In: Route 2022 (May 22–25, 2022). Helsingor, Den-2021 39. Alberto Santini and Maxence Delorme (2021). "Energy efficient automated vertical farms". In: Optimization and Decision Sciences (Sept. 14–17, 2021). Rome, Italy 40. Alberto Santini, Michele Monaci, and Ciara Pike-Burke (2021). "The 0-1 Time-bomb Knapsack Problem". In: 31st European Conference on Operational Research (July 11-14, 2021). Athens, Greece 2020 41. Alberto Santini, Ana Viana, Xenia Klimentova, and João Pedro Pedroso (2020). "Machine learning and heuristic approaches to the Probabilistic TSP with Crowdsourcing". In: 4th AIROY-

42. Alberto Santini and Ana Viana (2020). "Crowdsourcing in last-mile delivery: machine learning and heuristic approaches to the Stochastic TSP with Crowdsourcing". In: 5th Conference of Young Researchers of the Royal Spanish Society of Mathematics and Statistics (Jan. 27–31,

oung Workshop (Feb. 5–7, 2020). Bolzano, Italy

2020). Castelló, Spain

- 43. Alberto Santini (2018). "A hybrid Machine Learning and ALNS approach to the Orienteering Problem". In: EURO/ALIO International Conference on Applied Combinatorial Optimization (June 25–27, 2018). Bologna, Italy
 - 44. Alberto Santini (2018). "An ALNS heuristic for the Orienteering Problem". In: 29th European Conference on Operational Research (July 8–11, 2018). Valencia, Spain
 - 45. Alberto Santini and Christian Blum (2018). "Solving a class of longest subsequence problems via maximum cliques". In: Optimization and Decision Sciences (Sept. 10–13, 2018). Taormina, Italy
- 2017 46. Alberto Santini, Fabio Furini, and Enrico Malaguti (2017). "Exact and heuristic algorithms for the partition colouring problem". In: Optimization and Decision Sciences (Sept. 4–7, 2017). Sorrento, Italy
- 2016 47. Alberto Santini, Stefan Ropke, and Lars Magnus Hvattum (2016). "A comparison of acceptance criteria for the Adaptive Large Neighbourhood Search metaheuristic". In: 28th European Conference on Operational Research (July 3–6, 2016). Poznań, Poland
 - 48. Alberto Santini, Stefan Ropke, and Lars Magnus Hvattum (2016). "Poster: A comparison of acceptance criteria for the ALNS metaheuristic". In: 46th Annual Conference of the Italian Operational Research Society (Sept. 6–9, 2016). Trieste, Italy
- 49. Alberto Santini, Stefan Ropke, and Christian E.M. Plum (2015). "A rich maritime extension of the Vehicle Routing Problem". In: 45th Annual Conference of the Italian Operational Research Society (Sept. 7–10, 2015). Pisa, Italy
 - 50. Alberto Santini, Enrico Malaguti, and Silvano Martello (2015). "A maritime version of the Travelling Salesman Problem". In: Odysseus Conference (May 31–June 5, 2015). Ajaccio, France
- 51. Alberto Santini, Enrico Malaguti, and Silvano Martello (2014). "The Travelling Salesman Problem with pickup, delivery and draught limits". In: 44th Annual Conference of the Italian Operational Research Society (Sept. 2–5, 2014). Como, Italy

Awards and distinctions

SSRN Top Paper

The preprint of "Integrated Schedule Planning for Regional Airlines Using Column Generation" was the top paper in SSRN for category "Transport" during Feb-Apr 2025.

2025, 2024, Transportation Science meritorious service award

To recognise "Associate Editors and reviewers who have offered exceptional service to the journal in the review process" during the year 2024.

2023 INFORMS Journal on Computing featured article

The paper "Decomposition strategies for vehicle routing heuristics" was a featured article in IJOC Volume 35 Issue 3.

2018 Omega best paper award

Won the Best Paper Award for a paper published in 2018 in the journal Omega. The paper was "The Traveling Salesman Problem with Pickup, Deliveries, and Draft Limits".

Grants Personal or as P.I., competitive

2025–2028 Single-PI "Generación de Conocimiento" Grant

Three-year grant by the Spanish Government. Project-title: "Fairness and social well-being in optimisation models".

2024–2029 Ramon y Cajal Fellowship

Five-year grant by the Spanish Government. Ranked 4th in the Mathemathics panel, with a score of

96.5/100.

2021–2023 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellowship

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Action (MSCA grant number 945380, Cofund), with a project titled "SILD:

Sustainable Integrated Last-mile Delivery". Grant to join ESSEC Business School.

2021 Juan de la Cierva Incorporación

Three-year grant by the Spanish government. *Refused* because it was incompatible with the Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellowship. Ranked 5th out of 28 participants from all areas of Mathematics, with

a score of 90/100.

2021 BGSE Seed Grant

Grant awarded by the Barcelona School of Economics; topic: "Sustainable Last-mile Delivery".

2020–2021 Planetary Wellbeing research grant

PI of a research proposal with Gara Villalba (Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona) and Michael Schneider (RWTH Aachen University) on the optimisation of vertical farming in Barcelona's public

schools. Grant awarded by Universitat Pompeu Fabra.

2019–2021 Juan de la Cierva Formación

Two-year grant by the Spanish government. Ranked 1st out of 49 participants from all areas of Math-

ematics, with a score of 99/100.

2014–2016 Ph.D. grant by the University of Bologna

Ranked 1st out of 9 participants, with a score of 92/100.

Grants As part of a group, competitive

2019 I+D+i 2019 (Retos)

Part of the project "Optimización logística para el cuidado de la salud en el hogar y los servicios

sociales" funded by the Spanish Ministry of Science.

2016 PRIN (Research Projects of Relevant National Interest) 2016

Part of the project "Transportation and Logistics Optimization in the Era of Big and Open Data"

funded by the Ítalian Ministr of Research.

Grants Other

2021 Renowned Guest Visitor Grant

Granted by the Research Centre of ESSEC Business School.

2019 Yerun Mobility Award

To visit University Paris Dauphine, sponsored by YERUN.

2018–2023 Association of European Operational Research Societies (EURO)

To organise the EUROYoung Workshops.

2018 Erasmus+ Grant

To visit the University of Bologna, through the SmartTransLog consortium.

2017 COST STSM Grant

Short-Term Scientific Mission grant to conduct research at INESC-TEC under COST Action "Eu-

ropean Network for Collaboration on Kidney Exchange Programmes".

2016 Association of European Operational Research Societies (EURO)

To organise the "EURO Young Researchers OR Webinars".

2015 Marco Polo scholarship

To visit the Technical University of Denmark for a 3-month research stay.

Teaching Ph.D. level

2019–2020 Business Analytics for Operations and Marketing

Taught in a team. Universitat Pompeu Fabra, first-year course for Ph.D. students (M.Res. in Eco-

nomics, Finance and Business).

2018–2021 Research Seminars

Taught in a team. Universitat Pompeu Fabra, first-year course for Ph.D. students (M.Res. in Eco-

nomics, Finance and Business).

Teaching Master's level

2026 From Prediction to Action: Modern Prescriptive Analytics

Barcelona School of Management, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, M.Sc. in Management.

2025 Foundations of Data Science

Taught together with Lorenzo Cappello. Barcelona School of Economics, M.Sc. in Economics and

Finance, Financial Economics Programme.

2022–2025 Deterministic Models and Optimisation

Barcelona School of Economics, M.Sc. in Data Science, Data Science Methodology Programme.

2021–2022 Deterministic Models and Optimisation

Taught together with Jessica Rodríguez-Pereira. Barcelona School of Economics, M.Sc. in Data Sci-

ence, Data Science Methodology Programme.

2021–2025 Practical Data Science for Finance

Barcelona School of Management, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, M.Sc. in Finance and Banking.

2019–2022 Practical Data Science for Management

Barcelona School of Management, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, M.Sc. in Management.

2019–2023 Advanced Machine Learning

RWTH Business School, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science.

2018–2019 Data Science Projects

RWTH Business School, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science.

2018–2023 Machine Learning

RWTH Business School, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science.

2017 Optimisation methods for Big Data Analytics

RWTH Aachen, Master's in Management, Business, and Economics.

2014–2018 Optimisation Algorithms (teaching assistant)

Course taught by Paolo Toth.

University of Bologna, M.Eng. in Computer Engineering.

Teaching Bachelor's level

2025 From Prediction to Action: Modern Prescriptive Analytics

Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona Programme for Interdisciplinary Studies (BaPIS).

2018–2021, Operations Management

2024–2025 Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Bachelor's in International Business Economics.

2018–2019, Operations Management

2024 Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Bachelor's in Business Management Administration.

2021 Applied Machine Learning and Optimisation

Universitat Pompeu Fabra, elective course for all last-year Bachelor's students of the Department of

Economics.

2020 Applied Optimisation Techniques

Universitat Pompeu Fabra, elective course for all last-year Bachelor's students of the Department of

Economics.

2019 Revenue Management and Dynamic Pricing

Universitat Pompeu Fabra, elective course for all last-year Bachelor's students of the Department of

Economics.

2016–2017 Foundations of OR (teaching assistant)

Course taught by Enrico Malaguti and Michele Monaci. University of Bologna, B.Eng. in Management Engineering.

Academic experience Scientific Organisations

2024-now Coordinator

Coordinator of the Working Group on Transportation of the Spanish Statistics and Operational

Research Society.

2018–2024 Coordinator

Coordinated the activities of EUROYoung, including four international workshops, a Ph.D. school,

and sessions and round tables at the EURO conferences.

2019–2021 Elected member of the Board of Directors

Member of the board of directors of AIRO, the Italian Operational Research Association.

Founder Founder

Founded EUROYoung, a group of young O.R. scientists from EURO member countries, with the

aim of organising training events for early-stage researchers.

2016–2018 Coordinator

Coordinator of AIROYoung, the youth chapter of the Italian Operational Research Association. During my tenure as coordinator, I organised two workshops securing funding from Italian and European institutions; I created a database of young talents in O.R. and of open positions, helping

European institutions; I created a database of young talents in O.R. and of open positions, helping to match O.R. scientists with relevant opportunities; I helped enrol new young members into AIRO,

from Italy and other European countries.

2016 Founder

Founder of AIROYoung, the youth chapter of the Italian Operational Research Association.

Academic experience Organisation of Seminars, Workshops, and Courses

2025 Organiser

The 1st PhD School and the annual workshop of the Working Group on Transportation of the Spanish Statistics and Operational Research Society. Invited speaker: Roberto Roberti. Barcelona, Spain,

1-3 December 2025.

2024 Member of the Organising Committee

The 1st EUROYoung PhD School. Invited speakers: Michel Bierlaire, David Pisinger, Claudia

Archetti, Elena Fernandez and Ola Jabali. Barcelona, Spain, 4–6 September 2024.

2023 Member of the Organising Committee

The 3rd EUROYoung Workshop. Invited speakers: Ivana Ljubić and Leo Liberti. Cergy (Paris),

France, 5–6 June 2023.

2022 Member of the Organising Committee

The 2nd EUROYoung Workshop. Invited speakers: Renata Mansini and Pedro Amorim. Porto,

Portugal, 25-26 June 2022.

2019 Organiser of a PhD and Postdoc course

Organised a course for PhD and Postdocs of the Barcelona Graduate School of Mathematics, titled

"An Introduction to Equilibrium Problems and their applications". The course is taught by Mauro Passacantando.

2019 Member of the Organising Committee

The 1st EUROYoung Workshop. Invited speakers: Ana Viana and Federico Perea. Seville, Spain, 2–3 May 2019.

2019 Member of the Organising Committee

The 3rd AIROYoung Workshop and 1st AIROYoung PhD School. Invited speakers: Teodor Crainic and Endre Boros. Rome, Italy, 26–29 Mar 2019.

2018–2019 Coordinator of the "Operations and Marketing" seminar series

This is a series of weekly seminars at the Department of Economics and Business of Universitat Pompeu Fabra, with invited speakers from all over the world.

2018 Member of the Organising Committee

The 2nd AIROYoung Workshop, on the theme "Logistics optimisation and applied operational research". Invited speakers: Geir Hasle and Roberto Roberti. Cosenza, Italy, 03–05 Mar 2018.

2017 Workshop Organiser

Organised, together with Lavinia Amorosi, the 1st AIROYoung Workshop, on the theme "Emerging Optimization Problems on Complex Networks". Invited speakers: Justo Puerto and Maria Grazia Scutellà. Rome, Italy, 16–17 Feb 2017.

2016 EURO Young Researchers OR Webinars Organiser

Organised a series of OR webinars by and for young researchers from all over the world, sponsored by EURO.

2015 Seminars Organiser

Organised of a series of doctoral seminars within the Operational Research group at DEI, University of Bologna, involving local and visiting researchers.

Academic experience Organisation of Conferences

2025 Session Chair

"Logistics and Last-Mile Delivery" session at the SEIO 2025 Conference. Lleida, Spain, 10–13 June 2025.

2024 Member of the Programme Committee

ISCO2024, the International Symposium on Combinatorial Optimization. Tenerife, Spain, 22–24 May 2024.

2023 Member of the Programme Committee (ECOM track)

GECCO2023, the Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference. Lisbon, Portugal, 15–19 July 2023.

2022 Session Chair

"MILP in Logistics and Last-Mile Delivery" session at the EURO 2022 Conference. Espoo, Finland, 3–6 July 2022.

2022 Session Chair

"Recent advances in transportation and supply chain optimisation" session at the SEIO 2022 Conference. Granada, Spain, 07–10 June 2022.

2022 Member of the Programme Committee

ISCO2022, the International Symposium on Combinatorial Optimization. Online, 18–20 May 2022.

2022 Member of the Programme Committee (ECOM track)

GECCO2022, the Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference. Boston, United States, 9–13 July 2022.

2022 Member of the Programme Committee ODS2022, Optimisation and Decision Science 2022. Florence, Italy, 30 August – 02 September 2022. 2021 Member of the Programme Committee (ECOM track) GECCO2021, the Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference. Lille, France, 10–14 July 2021. 2020 Member of the Programme Committee ODS2020, Optimisation and Decision Science 2020 with theme "Optimisation in Artificial Intelligence and Data Science". Rome, Italy, 19 November 2020. 2020 Member of the Programme Committee (ECOM track) GECCO2020, the Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference. Cancún, Mexico, 08–12 July 2020. 2019 Member of the Programme Committee (ECOM track) GECCO2019, the Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference. Prague, Czech Republic, 13–17 July 2019. 2019 Member of the Programme Committee HM2019, the 11th International Workshop on Hybrid Metaheuristics. Concepción, Chile, 16–18 January 2019. 2018 Member of the Organising Committee and Session Chair ODS 2018, Optimisation and Decision Science Conference. Chair of the "AIROYoung" session. Taormina, Italy, 10–13 September 2018. 2018 Session Chair "EURO Young" session at the EURO 2018 Conference. Valencia, Spain, 08–11 July 2018. 2018 Session Chair "AIROYoung" session at the EURO/ALIO 2018 Conference. Bologna, Italy, 25–27 June 2018. 2017 Session Chair "AIROYoung" session at the ODS 2017, Optimisation and Decision Science Conference. Sorrento, Italy, 04–07 September 2017. 2016 Poster Session Chair "Young OR Researchers Poster Session" at the AIRO 2016 Conference. Trieste, Italy, 06–09 September 2016. 2016 Session Chair "Methodological advancements in metaheuristics" session at the EURO 2016 Conference. Poznan, Poland, 03-06 July 2016. 2015 Session Chair "Exact Methods for Routing Problems" at the AIRO 2015 Conference. Pisa, Italy, 07-10 September 2015.

Academic experience Evaluation Committees and Reviews

2023, 2024	Member of the Best PhD Dissertation Award committee AIRO, the Italian Operational Research Society.
2020-now	Member of PhD defence committees At the University of Palermo (Italy), the Open University of Catalonia (Spain), Universitat Pompeu Fabra (Spain), Universitat Politecnica de Catalunya (Spain).
2018	Grant proposal evaluator "FONDECYT Initiation into Research" programme, Chilean National Science and Technology Commission.

2018–2020 Member of the permanent M.Sc. thesis defence committee

Master's in Statistics and Operational Research, Polytechnic University of Catalunya, Spain.

Master's in Management, Barcelona School of Management, Spain.

2014-present Reviewer for several international journals, including: Operations Research, Transportation Sci-

ence, INFORMS Journal on Computing, European Journal of Operational Research, Computers & Operations Research, Omega, Transportation Research: Part B, Transportation Research: Part C, Transportation Research: Part E, International Transactions in Operations Research, Networks, OR Spectrum, Operations Research Forum, Discrete Applied Mathematics, Optimization Letters, Transportation Letters, Informations Systems and Operational Research, Operations Research Perspectives, Expert Systems With Applications, IEEE Access, Journal of Heuristics, Applied Mathematics, Optimization Mathematics, Optimizations, IEEE Access, Journal of Heuristics, Applied Mathematics, Optimizations, IEEE Access, III.

matical Modelling.

Academic experience Visiting Positions

2018 University of Bologna, Italy

Visiting Paolo Toth and Daniele Vigo under an Erasmus+ grant from the SmartTransLog consor-

tium.

2017 INSEC-TEC, Portugal

Visiting as part of a Short-Term Scientific Mission for COST Action "European Network for Collaboration on Kidney Exchange Programmes". Working with Ana Viana, João Pedro Pedroso, and

Xenia Klimentova.

2016 Amazon Inc.

Visiting Research Scientist in Seattle, USA. Working with Mauricio Resende and Andrew Goldberg.

2016 Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

Visiting Ph.D. Student at the Department of Information, Logistics and Innovation. Working with

Wout Dullaert.

2015 University of Calabria

Visiting Ph.D. Student at the Department of Mechanical, Energy and Management Engineering.

Working with Demetrio Laganà.

2015 Danish Technical University (DTU)

Visiting Ph.D. Student at the Department of Management Engineering. Working with Stefan Røpke.

Invited talks

"Using public transport to deliver parcels in large cities"

Invited talk at the Department of Economics and Management of the University of Brescia, Italy.

Brescia, 7 November 2024.

"Shift stability and workers' wellbeing in last-mile delivery scheduling"

Internal Operational Research seminar series at the Department of Economics and Business, Uni-

versitat Pompeu Fabra. Barcelona, 2 July 2024.

2023 "Two non-linear stochastic problems with catastrophic consequences"

Invited seminar at the Laboratoire d'Informatique de Paris Nord. Paris, 22 March 2023.

"Decomposition methods for vehicle routing heuristics"

Invited to present at the 3rd Spanish Young Statisticians and Operational Researchers Meeting. Elche,

Spain, 21–23 September 2022.

2022 "Blending ML and OR tools to solve a problem in crowdsourced grocery home delivery"

Invited seminar at the Tilburg School of Economics and Management. Tilburg, the Netherlands, 7

July 2022.

"Delivering parcels, growing lettuce on Mars and transporting time-bombs using one single tool"

Guest lecture at the Institute of Advanced Studies. Neuville, France, 15 March 2022.

2021	"The 0–1 Time-bomb Knapsack Problem" Invited to the "Research Seminars" series at the Department of Information Systems, Decision Sciences and Statistics, ESSEC. Cergy, France, 15 December 2021.
2021	"New challenges in supply chain optimisation" Invited to the OR-OM Seminar Series at ESSEC. Cergy, France, 1 December 2021.
2021	"The importance of networking in career development" Invited to the WISDOM round table within the EURO 2021 conference.
2019	"Crowdsourcing in last-mile delivery: machine learning and heuristic approaches to the Stochastic TSP with Crowdsourcing." Invited to present at the seminar series of LAMSADE, University Paris Dauphine. Paris, France, 26 November 2019.
2016	"A real-time conflict resolution algorithm for the train rescheduling problem." Invited to present at: Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam (Feb 2016); Danish Technical University (DTU), Kongens Lyngby (Oct 2016); DSB Training Centre, Nyborg (Oct 2016).
2015	"TSP with pickups, deliveries, and draught limits." University of Bologna. Part of a series of seminars held by Ph.D. students and young researchers.
2014	"Data Enevelopment Analysis and OR applications in measuring efficiency." University of Bologna. Part of the course "Resource Optimization", M.Eng. in Management Engineering.

Outreach activities

2022	"Il senso della scienza ovvero la bellezza delle scienze." Workshop with high-school students. Liceo Scientifico Statale "Alessandro Volta", Caltanissetta, Italy, 24 November 2022.
2014	"Recent trends in Operational Research and practical business applications." American University of Armenia; series of two seminars at the College of Science and Engineering. Yerevan, Armenia, 9–10 July 2014.

Supervised theses

Master's Thesis, Master's Programme in Data Science Methodology, Barcelona School of Economics Supervisor, "Putting workers' wellbeing at the centre of rostering decisions in last-mile delivery and retail", Jonny Codd, Clarice Mottet, Carlos Pérez.

Master's Thesis Master's Programme in Data Science Methodology, Barcelona School of Economics

Master's Thesis, Master's Programme in Data Science Methodology, Barcelona School of Economics Supervisor, "A branch-and-price algorithm for a rich vehicle routing problem with synchronisation", Xi Cheng, Yutai Ke.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School Supervisor, "Understanding the propagation of glass defects in windshields before and after lamination using high-resolution geometric measurement data", Ju-Chin Hsiao.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School Supervisor, "Improving the performance of a deep learning industrial part recognition system", Sumedh Sunil Thanekar.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School Supervisor, "Portfolio optimization using the 'Smart Predict then Optimize' framework", Tejas Govind Choudekar.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School Supervisor, "Estimation of the resale value of electric cars using machine learning and interpretable models", Jeswin Aloysius.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School Supervisor, "Neural networks for disease end-point prediction", Karan Sanan.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School Supervisor, "Prediction of tyre uniformity for truck tyres using machine learning", Wei-Chi Huang.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School

Supervisor, "Predicting purchase requisition processing time using machine learning", Khartikeyan Ramasubbu.

2022 Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School

Supervisor, "Uncertainty modelling in industrial production processes: predicting aleatoric and epistemic uncertainty for quality assessment of nonwovens", Himanshu Patanwala.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School Supervisor, "Unsupervised anomaly detection in multivariate time series", Kevin Meda.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School

Supervisor, "Predicting ghosting effect of HUD systems before wind-shield lamination", Ju-Chin Hsiao.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Management, Barcelona School of Management, Universitat Pompeu

Supervisor, "Micro-economic insights for realistic pricing in the Vehicle Routing Problem with Occasional Drivers", Helena Bonnin.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School Supervisor, "Generalisability of machine learning algorithms for selective assembly", Sourabh Hujare.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School

Supervisor, "Machine learning applied to metamodelling of thermo-structural systems and their functional mock-up interface", Clinton Charles.

2020 Master's Thesis, M.Res. in Economics, School of Economics and Business, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Co-supervisor, "Imitation, Principal Component Analysis, and the Effects of Modifications to eSports on Competitive Balance", Karim Carroum.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Management, Barcelona School of Management, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Supervisor, "A simulation study of integrated real-time data resulting in a dynamic pricing model for crowdsourcing-to-customer last-mile deliveries", Otis van der Meij.

Project, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School

Supervisor, "COVID-19 Pandemic: Comparison of forecasting methodologies and affecting factors for fatalities and transmission rates", Peter Yacoub.

Project, M.Sc. in Data Analytics and Decision Science, RWTH Business School

Supervisor, "Machine learning for selective assembly with automatic adaption to use-case complexity", Sourabh Hujare.

Bachelor's Thesis, School of Economics and Business, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Supervisor, "Congestion tax as the optimal policy tool to minimize congestion in the city of Barcelona", Joel Sanginés-Uriarte Dooly and Adrià Trepat i Izquierdo.

Bachelor's Thesis, School of Economics and Business, Universitat Pompeu Fabra Supervisor, "Machine Learning for Price Discrimination", Jan Czernek.

2019 Erasmus+ Internship, incoming from the University of Twente

Supervisor, "Production planning and optimisation of vertical farms", Vinicius Greco de Lemos.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Management, Barcelona School of Management, Universitat Pompeu

Supervisor, "Demand forecasting model in food delivery, a heuristic approach to data science using

Python and geoanalysis", Marc Herrera.

2017 Project, M.Sc. in Management, Business, and Economics, RWTH Aachen

Supervisor, "Improving document-level machine translation with word2vec", Sean Eulenberg.

Master's Thesis, M.Sc. in Management, Business, and Economics, RWTH Aachen

Co-supervisor, "A heuristic algorithm for the electric pickup and delivery problem", Lutz Venhofen.

2016 Master's Thesis, M.Eng. in Management Engineering, University of Bologna

Co-supervisor, "Embedding robustness in train rescheduling algorithms", Alessandro Morandi.

Project, M.Eng. in Computer Engineering, University of Bologna

Co-supervisor, "A genetic algorithm for real-time energy optimisation of train timetables", Francesco

Di Lella.

2015 Master's Thesis, M.Eng. in Management Engineering, University of Bologna

Co-supervisor, "Metaheuristic algorithms for energy optimisation in train timetabling and reschedul-

ing", Ĥang Xu.

Project, M.Eng. in Computer Engineering, University of Bologna

Co-supervisor, "A constructive heuristic for the dispatching problem on multi-track territories", Gi-

acomo Dall'Olio and Simone Laierno.

2014 Master's Thesis, M.Eng. in Management Engineering, University of Bologna

Co-supervisor, "Valutazione della Performance di un caso di Customer Contact Desk attraverso

l'applicazione della metodologia Data Envelopment Analysis", Martina Carli.

Work experience

2016 Amazon

Research Scientist Intern. Seattle, USA.

2012–2013 Procter & Gamble

Strategic Sourcing Intern. Bruxelles, Belgium.

2012 WISON Offshore & Marine

Procurement Trainee. Shanghai, China.

2011-2012 Amiiko

Ruby on Rails Developer. Copenhagen, Denmark.

Other

Languages Italian: mothertongue; English: fluent; French: very good; Spanish: very good; Catalan: very good;

Armenian: constantly improving!

Volunteering Spanish Red Cross; Italian Red Cross; Danish Red Cross; Big Brother / Big Sister Project Kongelun-

den, Copenhagen, Denmark; Associació per la Promoció del Transport Public, Barcelona, Spain.

Certifications Chartered shipbroker according to Italian law (2012). Ham Radio operator (EA3JEU).