Welcome!

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Welcome!

- Welcome to the Ph.D. School in Computer Science at the University of Pisa!
- Objective of this meeting:
 - Welcome and e-meet all the new students of our School
 - Provide you with some key information



First the welcome by the Head of the Department of Computer Science



Grants (XXXVI cycle)

15 grants for XXXVI cycle

- 6 UNIPI
- 2 Pegaso «4M+2M abroad»
- 1 Pegaso «8M+4M abroad»
- 1 Pegaso «Big data»
- 1 Pegaso «Cybersecurity»
- 1 CNR-ISTI
- 1 CNR-ISTI «Solutions and efficient approaches for AI on Edge computing platforms »
- 1 CNR-ISTI «User-driven design of adaptive interactive systems»
- 1 CNR-IIT

Note that

- The 15 grants are funded by different institutions
- Some grants are bound to a specific theme
- All Ph.D. students are warmly invited to spend a period abroad, but for some grants this is mandatory
 - 50% increase of grant for period abroad (for at most 18 months)

Grant assignment (XXXVI cycle)

• The Ph.D. Committee, chaired by prof. Ferragina, decided the following <grant-candidate> assignments:

Surname	Name	Grant type	



Courses and seminar series

- By the end of your 3rd year, you must get the credits of:
 - 6 Ph.D. courses and
 - 3 seminar series
- Some info
 - Ph.D. course: ≥16 hours of lectures + exam
 - Seminar series: ~20 hours + at least 80% attendance (no exam)
 - <u>List</u> of courses and seminar series (to be updated)



- You must submit your «study plan» to the Ph.D. Committee BEFORE attending the courses and seminars
 - You can include also courses and seminars from other Ph.D. programmes
 - Ph.D. schools can give you credits provided that there is an exam
- Credit registration
 - You must <u>inform</u> Enrico Carpentras every time you get credits of courses/seminar series



Route-to-thesis: 1/3

First year

- September
 - You propose to the Ph.D. Committee the name(s) of your supervisor(s) [1]
 - Your supervisor(s) proposes to the Ph.D. Committee your «Internal» Thesis Comittee [2]
- October
 - You submit your **thesis proposal** [3] and present it to your «Internal» Thesis Comittee
 - The Ph.D. Committee decides on your admission to the following year



Notes

- [1] You don't actually need to wait till September to choose your supervisor(s)
 - If you need help, just contact the PhD Coordinator
- [2] Advising role of «Internal» Thesis Committee
- [3] Thesis proposal: ~30 page document, ~30 min presentation
 - Must identify topic + summarise state-of-the-art + draft workplan
 (+ describe first results, if any)

Route-to-thesis: 2/3

- Second year
 - October
 - You present your progress report [1] to your «Internal» Thesis Comittee
 - The Ph.D. Committee decides on your admission to the following year



Notes

[1] Presentation of progress report: ~30 min presentation (no document to deliver)

 Pegaso grant holders must also submit a report of their activities at the end of their second year

Route-to-thesis: 3/3

Third year

- October
 - Your supervisor(s) proposes to the Ph.D. Committee 3 possible Reviewers
 - You submit your Ph.D. thesis [1]
- November
 - You present your Ph.D. thesis to your «Internal» Thesis Comittee
 - The Ph.D. Committee decides on the acceptance of your submissions and asks two Reviewers to evaluate it



- ~end of January [2]
 - Reviews received, you have 3 weeks to revise your thesis
- ~end of February / start of March [2]
 - [You present your revised Ph.D. thesis to your «Internal» Thesis Comittee]
 - You defend your Ph.D. thesis with the designated Jury



Notes

- [1] Firm deadline (only exception: motivated grant suspension, to be approved by PhD committee)
 [2] Assuming that reviewers timely return their reports. Reviewers may suggest to the Ph.D. extension to postpone (of max 6M, no grant extension) the defense.
- Pegaso grant holders must also submit a report of their activities at the end of their third year



Some useful links

Enrollment, tuition fees Administrative duties	\rightarrow	UNIPI Ph.D. office (<u>http://sportellovirtuale.unipi.it/</u>)	
Conference registrations Anything related with office/Department		Letizia Petrellese (<u>letizia.petrellese@unipi.it</u> , @CS Dpt.)	
Business travels		Ramona Serafini <u>(ramona.serafini@unipi.it</u> , @CS Dpt.)	
Stationery		Rita Cantini <u>(rita.cantini@unipi.it</u> , @CS Dpt.)	
International students		UNIPI Welcome Office (<u>international@unipi.it</u>) Veronica Tomatis (<u>veronica.tomatis@unipi.it</u> , @CS Dpt.)	
Administrative teaching unit @CS Dpt. $ ightarrow$		Enrico Carpentras (<u>enrico.carpentras@unipi.it</u> , @CS Dpt.) Rosie Mongini (<u>rosie@di.unipi.it</u> , @CS Dpt.)	

https://dottorato.di.unipi.it/en/



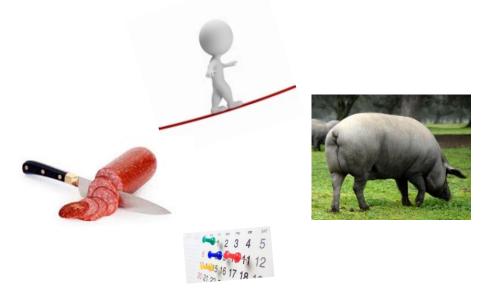
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Three tips



1. Learn to accept criticisms and failures, and grow from them.

2. Learn to survive in the publish-or-perish age.





3. Enjoy your PhD years. Really ©.

