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VP 2016-2017: PERSONAL PROFILES

In the frame of our Visiting Professor Programme, financed by Regione Autonoma della Sardegna, the University of Cagliari hosted internationally famous Professors from the most important Universities and Research Centres all over the world.

Here you can read about some of the Visiting Professors we are hosting during the Academic Year 2016/2017:



Prof. Lucia Quaquarelli – Université Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense

Prof. Quaquarelli is associate professor, member of the *Centre des recherches italiennes CRIX*, of the research team «*Littératures et anthropologie*» dell'ECHES/Collège de France and translator.

In the period 20th October-19th November 2016 she was Visiting Professor at the Department of Philology, Literature and

Linguistics, on dr. Marina Nella Guglielmi's proposal, with a project titled "Narrative in Transmedial and Transnational Era: Comics and Convergence Culture". In the frame of her project, a conference about comics and novels was organized ("QUANDO IL FUMETTO SFIDA IL ROMANZO: Graphic novel, fumetto, letteratura e convergenza mediale").



Prof. Alessandro Ghignoli – Universidad de Málaga

Prof. Ghignoli is associate professor at the *Departamento de Traducción e Interpretación*.

He is also editor of the reviews 'L'area di Broca' and 'Trans. Revista de traductología', and member of SEI (*Sociedad Española de Italianistas*) and SELGYC (*Sociedad Española de Literatura General y Comparada*).

He was Visiting Professor from 18th November to 1st December 2016 with the project "Translation and Comparative Literature: relationships and current trends.", sponsored by dr. Simona Cocco from the Department of Philology, Literature and Linguistics.

Prof. Philippe Christian Marc Cossalter – Universität des Saarlandes

Prof. Cossalter is full professor of French Public Law, co-director of the French-German Law Centre and member of the board of the *Institut für Rechtsinformatik* at the Universität des Saarlandes, as well as member of the scientific council of the *Centre de droit public comparé* at the Université Panthéon-Assas.

He was hosted at the Department of Law from 28th November to 4th December 2016 with a project



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Prof. Enrique Alberto Miranda Castellano – Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

Prof Miranda Castellano is associate professor at the *Departament d'Enginyeria Electrònica* and member of the research group *Enginyeria de dispositius micro i nanoelectrònics*.

In the frame of our Visiting Professor Programme, he participated with the project "Failure Analysis of electron devices using spatial statistics techniques", at the Department of Electrical and Electronic

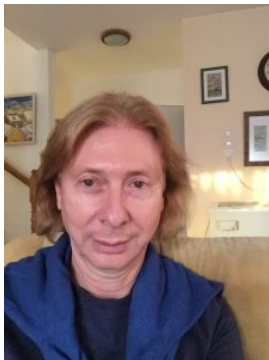
Engineering, in partnership with dr. Giovanna Mura.



Prof. Maria Alice Neves – Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina

Prof. Neves is associate professor and responsible for the Laboratory of Mycology. She is expert in fungal taxonomy and phylogenetic analysis.

In cooperation with prof. Andrea Rinaldi, she will be Visiting Professor in January 2017 with the project "Ectomycorrhizal Fungi: Diversity, Molecular Phylogenetics and Biological Activity", at the Department of Biomedical Sciences.



Prof. Konstantin Kogan – Bar-Ilan University

Prof. Kogan is full professor at the Department of Management of the Faculty of Social Sciences. His research interests are applied optimization, optimal control, differential games and operations management in general, and production planning, control and supply chain management in particular.

In February 2017 he will take charge of the project "The impact of externalities in economic optimal control models" by prof. Beatrice Venturi (Department of Economics and Business Sciences).



Prof. Franck Marc Laffaille – Université Paris 13

Prof. Laffaille is full professor of Public Law at CERAP (*Centre d'études et de recherches administratives et politiques*). His research interests are constitutional, compared, Italian, European and art law, as well as history of political ideologies and freedoms.

In the frame of the Visiting Professor programme, in April 2017 he will take charge of the project "Constitutional reforms and parliamentary system in Italy and France", proposed by prof. Silvia Niccolai from the Department of Social and Institutional Science.

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haematology). He cooperated with many research groups for the European Society of Medical Oncology, the British Committee for Standards in Haematology and the National Institute for Clinical Health and Excellence.

At the Department of Medical Science and Public Health, in June 2017, he will be involved in the project "Formulation of treatment algorithms for lymphoma patients when the healthcare economy is under strain", on a proposal by prof. Giorgio La Nasa.



Prof. Jorge Gil Fornet – Centro de Investigaciones Literarias Casa de las Américas

Prof. Fornet is director at *Centro de Investigaciones Literarias "Casa de las Américas"* and since 2014 he is member of *Academia Cubana de la Lengua*.

In February 2017 he will present the project "Vicissitudes of the new narrative in Latin America" by prof. Luciano Marroccu from the Department of History, Cultural and Territorial Heritage.



Prof. Mariana Fernández Campos – Universidad de La Habana

Prof. Fernández Campos teaches Latin at the Department of Literary and Linguistic Studies at *Facultad de Artes y Letras*. Her main research areas are translation of ancient and modern languages, history of language and numismatics.

In February 2017 she will cooperate with dr. Maria Cristina Secci from the Department of Philology, Literature and Linguistics in the frame of the project "The translation from Italian into Spanish and vice versa: criollism on taxonomic declination in the Cuban literature of the twentieth century".



Dott. Hitoshi Mizuno – Shimane University

Dr. Mizuno is researcher at the Department of Material Science.

His main research interest is that of optical properties.

In March 2017 he will collaborate in the project "Photophysical properties of zinc phthalocyanine-based coating-type solar cells", proposed by prof. Francesco Quochi (Department of Physics).

Prof. Achim Stein – Universität Stuttgart

Prof. Stein is full professor at the *Institut für Linguistik/Romanistik*, whose main research areas are semantic representation and ontologies, argument structure: syntax and semantics of French and Italian verbs, Corpus Linguistics, language contact.

With prof. Nicoletta Puddu from the Department of Philology, Literature and Linguistics, in May 2017 he will handle the project "Building and annotating historical corpora".

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prof. Elisabetta Cotti.



University

Prof. Bakland, professor emeritus at the School of Dentistry, is one of the world's leading expert in endodontics.

In March 2017 he will be Visiting Professor at the Department of Surgical Science with the project "Current best concepts for management of traumatic dental-maxillo facial injuries and associated dental problems", on a proposal by

Prof. María José Bravo Bosch – Universidad de Vigo



Prof. Bravo Bosch is associate professor at *Departamento de Derecho Privado* of the *Facultad de Ciencias Jurídicas y del Trabajo*. She is specialized in Roman law.

At the Department of Law she will take charge of prof. Maria Virginia Sanna's project "Women, politics and law in ancient Rome".



Prof. Nicola Alessandro Pinna – Humboldt Universität zu Berlin

Prof. Pinna is full professor at the *Institut für Chemie*. His research activity focuses on nanostructured materials, mainly dealing with the synthesis of nanomaterials by solution and gas phase routes, their characterization and the study of their physical properties.

In March 2017 he will be in charge of the project "Novel Colloidal Chemistry Approaches to Hybrid Nanostructures", by prof. Carla Cannas from the Department of Chemical and Geological Science.



Dr. Kinga Xénia Havadi-Nagy – Universitatea Babeș-Bolyai

Dr. Havadi-Nagy is researcher at the Faculty of Geography. Her Areas of professional interest are regional geography, rural development, historical geography and cultural geography.

She will be Visiting Professor in March 2017 with the project "Landscape planning and ecosystem services management in a European perspective: a comparative analysis of the Italian and the Romanian approach" by prof. Anna Maria Colavitti from the Department of Civil – Environmental Engineering and Architecture.

Prof. Alessandro Iannaccone – Duke University

Prof. Iannaccone is professor at the Department of Ophthalmology and director of the Center for Retinal Degenerations and Ophthalmic Genetic Diseases.

He focuses primarily on retinal degenerations and dystrophies (such as retinitis pigmentosa, Stargardt disease, cone- and cone-rod dystrophy, Usher syndrome, Bardet-Biedl syndrome, choroideremia, retinoschisis, achromatopsia, blue cone monochromacy, and related conditions), and has a strong

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Department of Surgical Science.



Prof. Marcelo Diego Boeri – Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Prof. Boeri is full professor at *Instituto de Filosofía*. His main research interests are epistemology, moral psychology, cosmology, ethics and action theory in Plato, Aristotle, Stoicism and Epicurus, as well as the reception of the ancient thought in modern philosophers.

In April 2017 he will be Visiting Professor with Prof. Elisabetta Cattanei's project "The Interaction between

Body and Soul in Aristotle's Psychology", sponsored by the Department of Pedagogy, Psychology, Philosophy.



Prof. Francis Joseph McMahon – National Institutes of Mental Health

Prof. Mc Mahon is the director of the Human Genetics Branch, specialized in identifying the genes that contribute to the risk for mood and anxiety disorders so that better methods of diagnosis and treatment can be developed.

As Visiting Professor, at the Department of Biomedical Science he will take charge of the project "Genetics and pharmacogenetics of bipolar disorder: paving the path towards a personalized approach to therapies" by dr. Alessio

Squassina.



Prof. Vincent Pagneux – Université du Mans-CNRS

Prof. Pagneux is associate professor at *Département de Mécanique*. His main research fields are: guided waves (acoustic & elastic), plates (Lamb waves ...), acoustic propagation in shear flows, propagation in complex media, 2D acoustics – surface gravity wave analogy.

He will handle the project proposed by prof. Michele Brun (Department of Mechanical, Chemical and Material Engineering) called "WAVINT – modeling wave interaction with microstructure in elastic metamaterials".



Prof. Bertrand Westphal – Université de Limoges

Prof. Westphal is full professor of comparative literature. Since 2000 he leads the research group *Espaces Humains et Interactions Culturelles*.

In April 2017 he will be Visiting Professor with the project "Landscape and geopoetics", on a proposal by prof. Roberto Puggioni from the Department of Philology, Literature and Linguistics.

Prof. Mirko Canevaro – The University of Edinburgh

Prof. Canevaro is Chancellor's Fellow (with tenure) at the School of History, Classics and Archaeology.

He is expert in Greek history. He is member of the editorial committee of *Rivista di Diritto Ellenico*



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was awarded a Philip Leverhulme Prize in recognition of his research achievements

He will take charge of prof. Elisabetta Poddighe's project "Legislative institutions and constitutional reflection in ancient Athens", at the Department of Philology, Literature and Linguistics.



Prof. Béatrice Daille – Université de Nantes

Prof. Daille is full professor of computer science and responsible for the research group *Équipe TALN*. Some research fields she's interested in are: terminology extraction, term alignment from comparable corpora, multi-word expressions (multi-word terms, term variants, collocations), sentiment analysis and fine-grained sentiment analysis.

In April 2017 at the Department of Philology, Literature and Linguistics she will handle the project "Building Bilingual Terminologies from Comparable Corpora", proposed by prof. Francesca Chessa and dr. Cosimo De Giovanni.



Prof. Siewert-Jan Marrink – Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

Prof. Marrink is full professor at the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences. He is head of the Molecular Dynamics Group, board member of the Zernike Institute, and director of the Berendsen Center.

Together with dr. Attilio Vittorio Vargiu from the Department of Physics, he will handle the project "Development and use of coarse-grained models for molecular dynamics of large biological machineries".



Dr. Alessandro Salice – University College Cork

Dr. Salice is researcher at the Department of Philosophy. Among others, his main fields of interest are phenomenology and human-robot interaction.

In April 2017 he will take charge of prof. Giuseppe Lorini's project (Department of Law) "Revenge as a social fact".



Prof. Levent Altinay – Oxford Brookes University

Prof. Altinay is full professor of Strategy and Business Development and Research Area Leader of the Oxford School of Hospitality Management. Levent's research interests are in the areas of entrepreneurship, strategic alliances and international business.

He will cooperate in the project "Sustainable tourism strategies and the involvement of the private sector" by prof. Patrizia Modica (Department of Economics and Business Sciences).

Prof. Giacomo Macola – University of Kent

Prof. Macola is associate professor at the School of History.

His own research specialism is Central Africa's political and intellectual history since the eighteenth century.

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Prof. John Angus Halligan – University of Canberra

Prof. Halligan is full professor of public administration. His research interests are comparative public management and governance, public sector reform, performance management and government

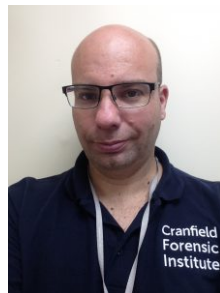
institutions. At the Department of Economics and Business Sciences in April 2017 he will take charge of “Performance Management and Incentives in Public Sector Organizations”, a project presented by prof. Patrizio Monfardini.

Prof. Reginald Bruno Hendrik Hooghiemstra – Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

Prof. Hooghiemstra is associate professor at the Faculty of Economics. His main research fields are corporate governance and financial reporting.



In April 2017 he will handle the project “The influence of corporate governance on financial reporting: an international analysis”, by dr. Simone Aresu from the Department of Economics and Business Sciences.



Dr. Nicholas Marquez Grant – Cranfield University

Dr. Marquez Grant is researcher at the Cranfield Forensic Institute. His main research interests include bioarchaeology, forensic archaeology, taphonomy, study of physical wounds and incurie and ethics of human remains.

At the Department of Environmental and Life Science he will take charge of the project “Anthropological and paleopathological study of skeletal sample” by prof. Carla Maria Calo’.



Prof. João Manuel Vilhena Gomes da Silva – Universidade Autónoma de Lisboa

Prof. Vilhena Gomes da Silva is associate professor at *Departamento de Arquitetura*, specialized in landscape architecture.

As Visiting Professor, he will cooperate in the project “The Bridge – Investigation on the Mediterranean island-landscape”, proposed by prof. Antonella Sanna (Department of Civil – Environmental Engineering and Architecture).



Prof. Marco Gargiulo – Universitetet i Bergen

Prof. Gargiulo is associate professor at the *Institutt for fremmedspråk*. His research focuses on applied linguistics, dialectology, Second Language Acquisition and history of Italian language.

In April 2017 he will be part of the project “Languages and “local aesthetics” in periferic cinema” by prof. Antioco Floris (Department of History, Cultural and Territorial Heritage).

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research in neuropsychiatry focuses on the study of: the mechanism of action of antidepressant, anxiolytic, and antiaggressive drugs in mouse models of affective/cognitive disorders, including depression, anxiety, and PTSD; developing new therapies for PTSD and anxiety disorders; epigenetic mechanisms in psychiatric disorders; unveiling emotional brain circuits that mediate cognitive and affective processes in PTSD; physiological role of the neurosteroid allopregnanolone on GABA-A receptor function; and pharmacology of GABA-A receptor modulators. Supported by the US Department of Defense, Dr. Pinna is studying the role of the endocannabinoid system in fear regulation in mouse stress models. He is a Visiting Professor at the Universidade Federal de São Paulo, an External Partner at the Consortium Européen NeuroRhine in Strasbourg and collaborates with Harvard University, Boston University, Boston Veteran Affairs among others.

In April 2017 he will focus on "Drug discovery and treatments of neuropsychiatric disorders", project presented by prof. Alessandra Concas from the Department of Environmental and Life Science.



Prof. Maribel Peró Cebollero – Universitat de Barcelona

Prof. Peró Cebollero is full professor at *Departamento de Psicología Social y Psicología Cuantitativa* and member of the research group *Tècniques Estadístiques Avançades Aplicades a la Psicologia*.

As Visiting Professor she will take care of the project "Reasoning and data analysis of fMRI signal", by prof. Maria Pietronilla Penna from the Department of Pedagogy, Psychology, Philosophy.



Prof. Alfons Aragoneses – Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Prof. Aragoneses is associate professor at *Departament de Dret*. His research fields are contemporary and comparative history of law and dictatorships.

At our Department of Law he will take charge of prof. Giuseppina De Giudici's project, called "The international Law as scientific discipline in 19th and 20th Centuries between Italy and Spain".



Prof. Ulrich Christoph Schminck-Gustavus – Universität Bremen

Prof. Schminck-Gustavus is full professor at the Faculty of Law, and president of the association Xenos, which helps foreign disadvantaged students. His main fields of research are fascism, 2nd World War, occupation and Resistance. He passed many years in Italy and Greece studying war crimes.

In May 2017 he will handle the project "Methodology and History of Deportation and Shoah" proposed by prof. Claudio Natoli (Department of History, Cultural and Territorial Heritage).

Prof. Giovanni Coco – The University of Auckland

Prof. Coco is associate professor at the Faculty of Science. His scientific activity is mainly related to coastal oceanography, hazards and interactions between physical and biological processes. The approach is primarily based on Complex System Science and involves a mix of numerical modeling with field and laboratory observations. More recently, he has focused on nonlinear techniques for data analysis (genetic algorithms, artificial neural networks) applying them to a variety of bio-geophysical problems

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observations”, a project presented by prof. Sandro Demuro (Department of Chemical and Geological Science).



Prof. Antonio Egidio Nardi – Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro

Prof. Nardi is full professor at the Faculty of Medicine (Department of Psychiatry and Legal Medicine). He is an expert in psychopathology and psycho-pharmacology.

In May 2017 he will handle the project presented by dr. Gioia Mura (Department of Medical Science and Public Health), called “The public’s view on depressive

symptoms: is the context in which the symptoms occur important or not?”.

Prof. Nikolaos Papageorgiou – National Technical University of Athens

Prof. Papageorgiou is full professor, expert in analysis, geometry and applied mathematics.

With the project “Variational methods for non-linear boundary value” by prof. Antonio Iannizzotto (Department of Mathematics and Information Technology) he will be Visiting Professor in May 2017.



Prof. John Arthur Barnden – University of Birmingham

Prof. Barnden is an Emeritus Professor at the School of Computer Science. His research is mainly within Natural Language Pragmatics and has largely been concerned with the reasoning needed for the processing of metaphorical utterances. He is also interested in figurative language more generally, and specifically in metonymy, irony and hyperbole.

Another major research concern is the nature of consciousness in humans and other creatures, and in the possibility of it arising in AI agents.

In May 2017 he will take charge of the project “The persuasive effects of figurative language”, proposed by dr. Francesca Ervas from the Department of Pedagogy, Psychology, Philosophy.



Dott. Paolo Frasca – Universiteit Twente

Dr. Frasca is researcher at the Department of Applied Mathematics (Hybrid Systems group).

His main research lines are, among others, systems and control, cyber-physical and hybrid systems, network systems, non-smooth control, opinion dynamics and social networks, robotic and sensor networks, modeling and control of natural and artificial swarms.

As Visiting Professor he will handle the project “Distributed Optimization and Control of Multi-Agent Systems”, by dr. Mauro Franceschelli (Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering).

Dott. Marco Mason – University of Leicester e University of Cambridge

Dr. Mason is a researcher expert in design of digital materials. Recently he has obtained his second Marie Curie grant (H2020 – IF – Reintegration Grant), which allows him to carry out a study about project procedures related to Human-centred Design and Design Thinking. During his first Marie Curie

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He will cooperate with prof. Cesarina Siddi (Department of Civil – Environmental Engineering and Architecture) in the frame of the project “Designing Digital Experience for Architecture and City Planning”.

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**Dott.ssa Brigitta Keintzel –
Universität Wien**

Dr. Keintzel is researcher at *Institut für Philosophie*. Her areas of research focus on European philosophy, gender studies, religious studies, cultural studies,

phenomenological studies, psychoanalytic studies.

In May 2017 she will take care of “A dialogue between German classical philosophy and the contemporary thinking of alterity”, a project presented by prof. Gabriella Baptist from the Department of Pedagogy, Psychology, Philosophy.

Prof. Jyoti Pralhad Dabholkar – Seth G.S. Medical College & King Edward Memorial (KEM) Hospital

Prof. Dabholkar is full professor in otolaryngology. She was trained at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Centre, New York, in 1985-86. She was President and Secretary for the Foundation for Head and Neck Oncology. She has given more than 80 orations in India and abroad. She has over 100 Publication in National and International indexed journal. She has been a recipient of President medal for securing highest marks at MBBS. She has numerous awards including Women Achiever Award.



As Visiting Professor she will handle the project “The Role of Neck Dissection in Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Head and Neck”, by prof. Puxeddu Roberto (Department of Surgical Science).



Prof. Peter James Kelly – RMIT University

Prof. Kelly is Director of the Centre for Education, Training and Work in the Asian Century, in the School of Education at RMIT University. He is a social theorist/social researcher who has published extensively on young people, the practice of youth studies, social theory and globalisation. His current research interests include a critical engagement with young people and new cultures of education/work/democracy in the context of the Great Recession, austerity and the aftermath of the Global Financial Crisis.

In May 2017 he will cooperate in the project “Young people futures and education: global frames and local opportunities”, sponsored by prof. Giuliana Mandich (Department of Social and Institutional Science).

Dr. Matthew Wallace Buczynski – The Scripps Research Institute

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chronic drug exposure that drive the subsequent neurological and behavioural dysfunctions. This research integrates advanced mass spectrometry platforms with a wide range of techniques including chemical biology, in vivo microdialysis, and behavioural pharmacology. He is also Assistant Professor at Virginia Tech School of Neurosciences.

As Visiting Professor he will take charge of the project "Endocannabinoid signalling in cognition, reward and addiction" by dr. Maria Antonietta De Luca from the Department of Biomedical Science.

Prof. Victoria Eleni Lambropoulos – Deakin University Law School

Prof. Lambropoulos is associate professor at the *Faculty of Business and Law*. She is immediate past-president of the Industrial Relations Society of Victoria, National Committee member of the Australian Labour Law Association, Committee member of the Industrial Bar Association.



Her main research interests are Workplace/ Employment Law and Labour and the environment.

In the frame of Visiting Professor programme, she will handle the project "Judicial control in dismissals" by prof. Piera Loi (Department

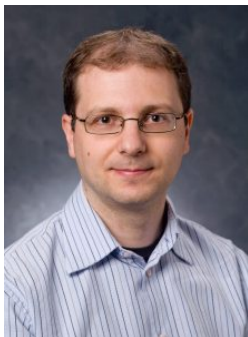
of Law).



Prof. Matthias Kredler – Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

Prof. Kredler is associate professor at the Department of Economics. His research interests are macroeconomics, labor markets, family economics.

He will take charge of the project sponsored by dr. Vincenzo Merella (Department of Economics and Business Science) called "A Bayesian Approach to Estimating and Forecasting Financial Models".



Prof. Roberto Perdisci – University of Georgia

Prof. Perdisci is associate professor at Computer Science Franklin College. His research focuses on computer and network security, malware detection, pattern recognition and data mining.

At the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering he will cooperate in the project "Analysis of DNS traffic for the detection of malicious activities" by prof. Giorgio Giacinto.



Dr. Lukasz Jacek Pieczonka – AGH University of Science and Technology

Dr. Pieczonka is assistant professor at the Department of Robotics and Mechatronics of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Robotics. His research interests are focused on structural health monitoring, nonlinear acoustics, uncertainty quantification, verification and validation, computational mechanics and structural dynamics.

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Engineering).



Prof. Massimo Piepoli – Imperial College London

Prof. Piepoli is associate professor at National Heart and Lung Institute. His main fields of expertise are heart failures, cardiomyopathies, clinical cardiology and cardiovascular medicine, among others.

In June 2017 he will be part of the Visiting Professor programme with the project "Metaboreflex-baroreflex interaction during exercise in heart failure patients", proposed by dr. Antonio Crisafulli from the Department of Medical Science and Public Health.



Prof. Naim Akhtar Khan – Université de Bourgogne

Prof. Khan is professor exceptional class of nutrition physiology and toxicology at the research center INSERM U 866.

He will take charge of prof. Sebastiano Banni's project (Department of Biomedical Science) "Factors influencing dietary fat intake and nutritional implications in humans".



Dott. Georg Dürnecker – Universität Mannheim

Dr. Dürnecker is a researcher expert in macroeconomy. His research fields are economic growth, regulation of economic growth, technological progress and labour markets in Europe and the U.S.

In June 2017 he will be Visiting Professor with the project "Macroeconomic Dynamics and Time Allocation", by dr. Fabio Cerina (Department of Economics and Business Science).



Prof. Alessia Contu – University of Massachusetts Boston

Prof. Contu is full time tenured professor with research, teaching and managerial responsibilities. She is also the Chair of the Department of Management.

Her research areas are corporate and organizational power, resistance and politics of organizing, whistleblowing and ethical issues in management & organization.

She will be Visiting Professor with the project "Putting democracy to work in time of economic crisis: The workers' buyout phenomenon" sponsored by prof. Marco Luciano Zurru and dr. Barbara Barbieri from the Department of Social and Institutional Science.

Prof. Thomas Peter Maniatis – Columbia University

Prof. Maniatis, full professor at the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics of Columbia University Medical Centre, is one of the world's leading experts on molecular and cellular mechanisms of gene regulation in the nervous system at the levels of signal transduction, transcription and RNA splicing.

In June 2017 he will take charge of the project "Organization and regulation of the protocadherins

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Dr. Maria Germana Sanna – The Scripps Research Institute (TSRI)

Dr. Sanna is a researcher from Rosen Laboratory, whose research activity focuses on chemical and biological approaches to the molecular mechanisms regulating lymphocyte trafficking.

At the Department of Biomedical Science she will cooperate in the project “New Mechanisms of pathogen paramyxovirus inhibition” proposed by prof. Angela Ingiani and dr. Maria A. Madeddu.



Dr. Emanoil Linul – Universitatea Politehnica Timisoara

Dr. Linul is a researcher expert in mechanical and material engineering.

In June 2017 he will be Visiting Professor with the project “Vibration-based and Acoustic Techniques for Structural Damage Detection” sponsored by dr. Maria Cristina Porcu (Department of Mechanical, Chemical and Material Engineering).



Prof. Johannes Wolfgang Kirchmair – Universität Hamburg

Prof. Kirchmair is associate professor at *Zentrum für Bioinformatik* and chair of Junior Research Group for Applied Cheminformatics and Molecular Design. His main research interests include the development and application of computational methods for the prediction of the bioactivity and metabolism of xenobiotics (drugs and drug-like molecules, cosmetics, agrochemicals and functional foods).

He will handle the project “Computational approaches to boost academic drug discovery”, proposed by dr. Simona Distinto and prof. Elias Maccioni from Department of Environmental and Life Science.



Dr. Miguel Ángel Paredes Maldonado – University of Edinburgh

Dr. Paredes Maldonado is lecturer in Architectural Design at Edinburgh College of Art. His areas of expertise concern the intersection of architectural design methodologies and theories with digital technologies and contemporary urban discourses. He is one of the founder of the research and design center *Cuartoymitad Architecture & Landscape*.

With prof. Caterina Giannattasio's project “Activated Urbanities: the city as an experimental urban field of collective experience” he will be Visiting Professor at the Department of Civil-Environmental Engineering and Architecture.

Prof. Loïc Paul Maurice Barthe – Université Toulouse III Paul Sabatier

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