

13th Virtual Conference of the Italian Region of the International Biometric Society (IBS) - 20, 24, 29 September 2021 (afternoon)

The Italian Region-IBS is pleased to announce the 13-th biennial scientific meeting that will be virtual this year. The conference will provide an amazing opportunity to discuss the newest statistical methods, to exchange scientific ideas and to promote collaborations among members within our region and with other IBS regions, Italian societies and international initiatives. A special space will be devoted to young statisticians who will enlighten the meeting with their contributions.

The meeting will include:

- **3 keynote speeches:**
 - Richard J. Cook (University of Waterloo) - Two phase response-dependent sampling for studies of life history processes
 - Clelia di Serio (Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele Milano) - Pitfalls and benefits for using machine learning to detect and prognosticate for COVID-19: a reproducibility challenge
 - Lorenzo Trippa (Harvard University) - The Use of External Control Data for Predictions and Futility Interim Analyses in Clinical Trials
- **3 contributed sessions dedicated to young researchers (age ≤ 35 years).**
- **2 invited sessions organized by Italian Region-IBS members**
- **3 invited sessions organized by other IBS regions, other Italian societies or international initiatives:**
 - Eastern Mediterranean EMR-IBS and Spanish-IBS regions
 - Società Italiana di Statistica (Italian Statistical Society, SIS)
 - STrengthening Analytical Thinking for Observational Studies (STRATOS) Initiative
- **1 half-day course** entitled “**Graphical models for categorical data with R**“ taught by Prof. Monia Luparelli (Università di Firenze), 22 September 2021

Details on topics, sessions and course are available at https://ibs-italy.org/?page_id=1349&lang=it

Young research Competition

The Italian Region-IBS holds a young research competition for the outstanding presentation.

Deadlines

- Abstract submission for **contributed sessions dedicated to young researchers** (age ≤ 35 years): **01/08/2021**
- Notification of acceptance: **30/08/2021**
- Registration for Conference and Course: **10/09/2021**

Fees

Conference	Fee
Italian or other Region-IBS member	free
Student (undergraduate or doctoral)	free
General participant	80 euros

Course (max 30 participants)	Fee
With conference participation	50 euros
Without conference participation	70 euros

Link for registration:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfBF97xop5IK8PwIe4hSaELp0ekzC8x4VDaLVfkVI9I_dliKg/viewform?usp=pp_url

Abstract Submission (only for young researchers with age ≤ 35)

The abstract must be in English, maximum length 2500 characters including spaces (without considering the list of authors, affiliations and title, but considering eventual references). It is mandatory the use of the abstract template available at the Conference website (https://ibs-italy.org/?page_id=1349&lang=it).

Abstracts must be submitted through the EasyChair system: <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=sib2021> and will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee. Abstracts not accepted for oral sessions will be presented as posters.

Website: https://ibs-italy.org/?page_id=1349&lang=it

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The virtual Conference will be hosted by the University of Milano-Bicocca.

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