



# SPACE IT UP! YOUNG MINDS SUMMER FORUM

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## PROGRAMME & OVERVIEW



# OVERVIEW

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Seminario di Alba | 2-4 September 2026

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SEPTEMBER

DAY 0 · ARRIVAL &amp; WELCOME

# DAILY PROGRAMME

Welcome activities and participant arrival.

| TIME        | ACTIVITY                                                                                                                          |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| FROM 14:00  | <b>Hotel check-in</b><br>B&B Hotel Alba                                                                                           |
| 18:00–19:30 | <b>Guided tour of Alba</b><br>Meeting point: Tourist Information Office · Piazza Risorgimento 2 · Please arrive 15 minutes early. |

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SEPTEMBER

DAY 1 · PITCHES &amp; KEYNOTES

## DAILY PROGRAMME

| TIME        | ACTIVITY                                                                                               |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 08:00–09:00 | Registration                                                                                           |
| 09:00–09:30 | Opening & Welcome<br>Sala Bussi                                                                        |
| 09:30–10:00 | S1 · Earth & Planetary Science*<br>Pitch session · Sala Bussi                                          |
| 10:00–10:30 | Coffee break                                                                                           |
| 10:30–12:30 | S1 · Earth & Planetary Science*<br>Pitch session · Sala Bussi                                          |
| 12:30–13:00 | Career Boost with <a href="#">DockTo</a><br>Sala Bussi                                                 |
| 13:00–14:00 | Lunch & Career Boost                                                                                   |
| 14:00–14:30 | Keynote · S1<br>Roberto Battiston · Sala Bussi                                                         |
| 14:30–15:00 | Keynote · S1<br>Andrea Taramelli · Online · Sala Bussi                                                 |
| 15:00–16:00 | S2 · Advanced Space Systems, Mission Operations & Sustainable Materials*<br>Pitch session · Sala Bussi |
| 16:00–16:30 | Coffee break & Career Boost                                                                            |
| 16:30–18:30 | S2 · Advanced Space Systems, Mission Operations & Sustainable Materials*<br>Pitch session · Sala Bussi |
| 19:00       | Welcome wine tasting<br>Seminario Vescovile di Alba                                                    |

\*Detailed pitch schedule, including participants' names and presentation times, provided below.

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SEPTEMBER

DAY 2 · PITCHES &amp; ROUNDTABLES

## DAILY PROGRAMME

| TIME        | ACTIVITY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 08:30–09:00 | <b>Keynote · S2</b><br><b>Paolo Tortora</b> · Sala Bussi                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 09:00–10:30 | <b>S3 · Moon-to-Mars Exploration &amp; Human Presence in Space*</b><br>Pitch session · Sala Bussi                                                                                                                                                                |
| 10:30–11:00 | <b>Coffee break</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 11:00–11:45 | <b>S3 · Moon-to-Mars Exploration &amp; Human Presence in Space*</b><br>Pitch session · Sala Bussi                                                                                                                                                                |
| 11:45–12:15 | <b>Keynote · S3</b><br><b>Francesca Esposito</b> · Sala Bussi                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 12:15–12:45 | <b>Keynote · S3</b><br><b>Maria Antonietta Perino</b> · Sala Bussi                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 12:45–14:00 | <b>Lunch &amp; Career Corner</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 14:00–14:30 | <b>Keynote · S2</b><br><b>Marco Brancati &amp; Benedetta Cattani</b> · Sala Bussi                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 14:30–16:00 | <b>Parallel Roundtable Discussions</b><br>WG1 · Earth & Planetary Science - Sala del Consiglio<br>WG2 · Advanced Space Systems, Mission Operations & Sustainable Materials - Sala Bussi<br>WG3 · Moon-to-Mars Exploration & Human Presence in Space - Sala Coppa |
| 16:00–16:30 | <b>Coffee break</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 16:30–18:00 | <b>Parallel Roundtable Discussions</b><br>Continuation in the assigned working group rooms                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 20:00       | <b>Networking dinner</b><br>Restaurant · <a href="#">Hotel I Castelli</a>                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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SEPTEMBER

DAY 3 · OUTCOMES &amp; CLOSING

## DAILY PROGRAMME

| TIME        | ACTIVITY                                                                                             |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 09:00–09:30 | <b>Working Group 1 presentation</b><br>Sala Bussi                                                    |
| 09:30–10:00 | <b>Working Group 2 presentation</b><br>Sala Bussi                                                    |
| 10:00–10:30 | <b>Working Group 3 presentation</b><br>Sala Bussi                                                    |
| 10:30–11:00 | <b>Coffee break</b>                                                                                  |
| 11:00–11:30 | <b>Panel: “Young Minds, Future Space”</b><br><b>Moderator: Antonio Lo Campo</b><br>Sala Bussi        |
| 11:30–12:00 | <b>Funding Opportunities for Researchers: MSCA &amp; ERC</b><br><b>Riccardo Augello</b> · Sala Bussi |
| 12:00–13:00 | <b>Final lunch</b>                                                                                   |

| <b>S1 - Earth &amp; Planetary Science</b> |             |                                                                         |          |           |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Name                                      | Surname     | Affiliation                                                             | Spoke    | Time Slot |
| Mansoor                                   | Ahmed       | DEPARTMENT OF TERRITORY AND AGRO-FORESTRY SYSTEMS, University of Padova | Spoke 1  | 09:30:00  |
| Martina                                   | Alla        | Università degli Studi di Roma "Sapienza"                               | Spoke 3  | 09:35:00  |
| Emanuele                                  | Amato       | INAF - Osservatorio Astrofisico di Torino                               | External | 09:40:00  |
| Antonio                                   | Angellotti  | INAF - IAPS                                                             | Spoke 9  | 09:45:00  |
| Milad                                     | Bagheri     | Politecnico di Torino                                                   | Spoke 5  | 09:50:00  |
| Andrea                                    | Balotti     | CNR-IMIOT / CETEMPS                                                     | Spoke 7  | 10:30:00  |
| Sara                                      | Bertone     | Università di Trento                                                    | Spoke 6  | 10:35:00  |
| Martina                                   | Burnelli    | IUSS Pavia                                                              | Spoke 7  | 10:40:00  |
| Lucas                                     | Calzà       | Università di Trento                                                    | Spoke 5  | 10:45:00  |
| Emanuele                                  | Catena      | La Sapienza - University of Rome                                        | Spoke 3  | 10:50:00  |
| Marco                                     | Coppola     | PoliTo DIATI                                                            | Spoke 5  | 10:55:00  |
| Daniele                                   | D'Armiento  | CNR - ISAC                                                              | Spoke 7  | 11:00:00  |
| Elisabetta                                | Dolejsi     | CISAS - Università di Padova                                            | Spoke 9  | 11:05:00  |
| Federico                                  | Donat       | University of Bologna / University of Trento                            | External | 11:10:00  |
| Catalin                                   | Frosin      | CNR-IFAC Firenze                                                        | Spoke 5  | 11:15:00  |
| Roberto                                   | Gianardi    | INGV                                                                    | Spoke 5  | 11:20:00  |
| Sveva Annamaria Elenia                    | Giovannetti | University of Bologna                                                   | Spoke 7  | 11:25:00  |
| Candan Eylul                              | Kilsedar    | Politecnico di Torino                                                   | Spoke 7  | 11:30:00  |
| Gabriele                                  | Lo Grasso   | UNIBO                                                                   | Spoke 7  | 11:35:00  |
| Francesco                                 | Manconi     | Politecnico di Torino                                                   | Spoke 5  | 11:40:00  |
| Rebecca                                   | Martellotti | University of Bologna                                                   | Spoke 9  | 11:45:00  |
| Federico                                  | Mattei      | Istituto Universitario di Studi Superiori Pavia                         | Spoke 7  | 11:50:00  |
| Giacomo                                   | Melchiori   | Univeristy of Padova                                                    | Spoke 9  | 11:55:00  |
| Afshin                                    | Moazzam     | Politecnico di Milano                                                   | Spoke 7  | 12:00:00  |
| Francesco                                 | Santoro     | Università di Padova                                                    | Spoke 9  | 12:05:00  |
| Emanuele Maria                            | Sciortino   | Università di Pisa, Dipartimento di Ingegneria dell' Informazione       | Spoke 5  | 12:10:00  |
| Marco                                     | Ventura     | Università degli studi di Bologna                                       | Spoke 7  | 12:15:00  |
| Adriano                                   | Zerbini     | ENEA C.R. Frascati                                                      | Spoke 8  | 12:20:00  |

| <b>S2 - Advanced Space Systems, Mission Operations &amp; Sustainable Materials</b> |           |                                |         |           |
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| Name                                                                               | Surname   | Affiliation                    | Spoke   | Time Slot |
| Fabio                                                                              | Argentesi | Sapienza University of Rome    | Spoke 2 | 15:00:00  |
| Davide                                                                             | Banzi     | University of Bologna          | Spoke 8 | 15:05:00  |
| Pierantonio                                                                        | Bertuccio | Politecnico di Torino - DIMEAS | Spoke 1 | 15:10:00  |

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| Suomi      | Bez Baruah              | University of Trento;<br>Fondazione Bruno<br>Kessler                                                            | HUB      | 15:15:00 |
| Chiara     | Bonini                  | University of Padova -<br>CISAS                                                                                 | Spoke 3  | 15:20:00 |
| Mascia     | Bucciarelli             | Sapienza University of<br>Rome                                                                                  | Spoke 2  | 15:25:00 |
| Daniel     | Calegario               | Politecnico di Milano                                                                                           | Spoke 1  | 15:30:00 |
| Matteo     | Capitanio               | Politecnico di Milano                                                                                           | Spoke 1  | 15:35:00 |
| Modestino  | Carbone                 | Polito and INRiM                                                                                                | Spoke 4  | 15:40:00 |
| Federico   | Cescon                  | University of Padova                                                                                            | Spoke 2  | 15:45:00 |
| Alessandro | Costa                   | Politecnico di Milano                                                                                           | Spoke 1  | 15:50:00 |
| Silvia     | Della Torre             | Politecnico di Milano                                                                                           | Spoke 1  | 15:55:00 |
| Nicola     | di Gruttola<br>Giardino | Politecnico di Torino                                                                                           | Spoke 1  | 16:30:00 |
| Lorenzo    | Fiorese                 | Università degli Studi<br>di Padova                                                                             | Spoke 2  | 16:35:00 |
| Andrea     | Frassà                  | Università degli Studi<br>di Torino                                                                             | Spoke 4  | 16:40:00 |
| Anna       | Driutti                 | University and INFN<br>Pisa                                                                                     | Spoke 4  | 16:45:00 |
| Jacopo     | Omodei                  | University of Pisa and<br>INFN                                                                                  | Spoke 4  | 16:50:00 |
| Sara       | Pennella                | INFN Turin section                                                                                              | Spoke 4  | 16:55:00 |
| Francesco  | Frigo                   | Centro di Ateneo di<br>Studi e Attività<br>Spaziali "Giuseppe<br>Colombo" - CISAS<br>(UniPD)                    | Spoke 2  | 17:00:00 |
| Salvatore  | Lazzara                 | University of Bologna                                                                                           | Spoke 8  | 17:05:00 |
| Francesca  | Liberatori              | INFN, Sezione Roma<br>Tor Vergata                                                                               | External | 17:10:00 |
| Qiqing     | Liu                     | Center of Studies and<br>Activities for Space<br>(CISAS)-G. Colombo,<br>University of Padova                    | Spoke 2  | 17:15:00 |
| Alessandro | Lotti                   | Alma Mater Studiorum<br>- Università di<br>Bologna                                                              | Spoke 1  | 17:20:00 |
| Giacomo    | Luccisano               | Politecnico di Torino                                                                                           | Spoke 8  | 17:25:00 |
| Stefano    | Palmiotto               | Alma Mater Studiorum<br>- University of<br>Bologna                                                              | Spoke 1  | 17:30:00 |
| Stefania   | Perciballi              | University of Trento                                                                                            | Spoke 5  | 17:35:00 |
| Emanuela   | Proietti Mancini        | ENEA Frascati<br>Research Center                                                                                | Spoke 8  | 17:40:00 |
| Raffaele   | Reda                    | Università degli Studi<br>di Roma Tor Vergata                                                                   | Spoke 6  | 17:45:00 |
| Annamaria  | Sambrini                | Politecnico di Torino                                                                                           | Spoke 8  | 17:50:00 |
| David      | Schledewitz             | University of Trento                                                                                            | Spoke 6  | 17:55:00 |
| Andrea     | Serino                  | Unitn/Polito                                                                                                    | External | 18:00:00 |
| Sabereh    | Taghdisi Rastkar        | ENEA – Italian<br>National Agency for<br>New Technologies,<br>Energy and<br>Sustainable Economic<br>Development | Spoke 1  | 18:05:00 |
| Michele    | Tunesi                  | Politecnico di Torino                                                                                           | Spoke 2  | 18:10:00 |



### S3 - Moon-to-Mars Exploration & Human Presence in Space

| Name             | Surname         | Affiliation                                                    | Spoke    | Time Slot |
|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Thomas           | Binetti         | Politecnico di Torino                                          | Spoke 8  | 09:00:00  |
| Cesare Lugi      | Blengini        | Politecnico di Torino                                          | Spoke 8  | 09:05:00  |
| Michele          | Brambilla       | Politecnico di Milano                                          | Spoke 9  | 09:10:00  |
| Sarah            | Cader           | INAF - OACN  <br>Università di Trento                          | Spoke 8  | 09:15:00  |
| Christian        | Ciervo          | INAF - OACN                                                    | Spoke 8  | 09:20:00  |
| Federico         | Colaiuta        | INAF-IAPS and<br>Sapienza University of<br>Rome                | Spoke 9  | 09:25:00  |
| Carlo            | Dallara         | University of Bologna                                          | Spoke 8  | 09:30:00  |
| Andrea           | Drudi           | University of Bologna                                          | Spoke 8  | 09:35:00  |
| Angela           | El Kamouh       | Università degli Studi<br>Di Napoli Federico II                | Spoke 9  | 09:40:00  |
| Samuele          | Enzo            | CISAS - Università di<br>Padova                                | Spoke 8  | 09:45:00  |
| Chiara           | Franceschini    | Politecnico di torino                                          | Spoke 8  | 09:50:00  |
| Samuele Giuseppe | Labò            | Politecnico di Milano                                          | Spoke 1  | 09:55:00  |
| Riccardo         | Lops            | Politecnico di Bari                                            | Spoke 8  | 10:00:00  |
| Aurora           | Marsicano       | INAF-IAPS                                                      | Spoke 9  | 10:05:00  |
| Simone           | Martinelli      | UNIFI                                                          | Spoke 8  | 10:10:00  |
| Luca             | Ostrogovich     | Telespazio S.p.A.                                              | Spoke 1  | 10:15:00  |
| Giuseppe         | Palaia          | Politecnico di Torino                                          | Spoke 8  | 11:00:00  |
| Emanuele         | Pertile         | Università degli studi<br>di Padova, CISAS<br>Giuseppe Colombo | Spoke 8  | 11:05:00  |
| Ludovica         | Pradetto Battel | University of Padova                                           | Spoke 8  | 11:10:00  |
| Alessandro       | Russo           | University of Rome<br>Tor Vergata                              | Spoke 6  | 11:15:00  |
| Costanza         | Scatà           | University of Milan                                            | External | 11:20:00  |
| Giuliano         | Vinci           | University of Bologna                                          | Spoke 1  | 11:25:00  |
| Sara             | Viviani         | University of Florence                                         | Spoke 8  | 11:30:00  |