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CURRENT POSITION	Full Professor of Statistics, University of Roma Tre
RESEARCH OUTPUT	39 papers in journals, 33 chapters in peer-reviewed books, 1073 citations and h-index 19 (google scholar, accessed on April 2nd 2024)
RESEARCH INTERESTS	New statistical methods for the analysis of complex multivariate data that are dependent across time and space. Principal proposals are in the area multivariate latent variable models in the spatial and the temporal setting, with applications in biometrical and enviromental studies, economics and demography.
EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES	<p>Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation: Associate Editor (since 2019) PLOS journals: Statistical Advisor (since 2017) Journal of Environmental and Ecological Statistics, Guest Editor 2023-2024</p>
EDUCATION	<p>1996: Ph.D., Statistics, Department of Statistics, Sapienza University of Rome 1992: M.S., Statistics, Department of Statistics, Sapienza University of Rome</p>
ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS	<p>1996-1997: Research Associate, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, Syracuse NY, USA</p> <p>1997-2003: Assistant Professor of Statistics, Dept. Political Institutions and Social Sciences, University Roma Tre, Rome Italy</p> <p>2003-2006: Research Scientist, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock Germany</p> <p>2006-2021: Associate Professor of Statistics, Dept. of Social Sciences, University Roma Tre, Rome Italy</p> <p>2019-2022: Adjunct Faculty, Dept. Of Mathematics, University of Bergen, Norway</p>
ELECTED APPOINTMENTS	<p>2022-today President of GRASPA (www.graspa.org), the Italian environmetricians research group for environmental statistics, sustainability and territorial safety.</p> <p>2020-2022 Vice-President of GRASPA (www.graspa.org), the Italian environmetricians research group for environmental statistics, sustainability and territorial safety.</p>
RESEARCH COORDINATION ACTIVITIES	2007 - 2009 PRIN (Research Project of National Relevance) 2006 'Hierachical models for the analysis of space-time interactions in environmental data' – unit coordinator

2023 - 2025 PRIN (Research Project of National Relevance) 2022 'SMILE: Statistical modeling and inference to live the environment' – unit coordinator

PAPERS IN
JOURNALS

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- Lagona F, Picone M and Maruotti A (2015) A Hidden Markov model for the analysis of cylindrical time series, *Environmetrics*, 26: 534-544
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Jona Lasinio G, Lagona F (2003) Selection of the Neighborhood Structure for Space-Time Markov Random Fields. *Statistical Methods and Applications* 11: 293-311

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Lagona F (2001) Parametric Restrictions in Random Fields for Binary Space-Time Series. *Metron* 59: 73-97

Griffith DA and Lagona F (1998) On the Quality of Maximum Likelihood Estimators in Spatial Autoregressive Models when the Data Dependence Structure is Misspecified. *Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference* 69: 153-174

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SELECTED BOOK
CHAPTERS

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Lagona F (2012) A von Mises Markov random field model for the analysis of spatial circular data. In Proceedings of the XLVI Scientific Meeting of the Italian Statistical Society, PADOVA : CLEUP, 1-4 ISBN 978-88-6129-882-8

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SELECTED
TEACHING

Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, Syracuse NY, USA: Introductory Statistics (40 hours, 1996); Spatial Statistics (40 hours, 1996)

Department of Statistics, University of Messina, Master GEAT: Statistical Modelling (20 hours, 2001); Spatial Statistics (20 hours, 2002)

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock Germany: Survival Analysis (40 hours, 3 editions, 2004-2006); Spatial Demography (40 hours, 3 editions, period 2007-2010)

Social Science Data and Research Center, Fudan University, Shanghai, China: Spatial Statistics (20 hours, 2014)

Department of Political Sciences, University Roma Tre, Rome Italy: Introductory Statistics (64 hours, 10 editions, period 2008-present); Statistical Modelling (64 hours, 8 editions, 2011-present); Econometrics (64 hours, 2011); Survey Sampling (64 hours, 2010)

Department of Economics, University Roma Tre: Mixture Models (20 hours, 3 editions, 2008-2010); Statistical Modelling with Missing Values (18 hours, 2011)

Department of Engineering, University Roma Tre, Master IEAT, Introductory Statistics (20 hours, 4 editions, 2004-2008); Environmental Statistics (20 hours, 4 editions, 2004-2008)

School of Economics and Business Administration, Chongqing University, Chongqing China, Doctorate of Business Administration; Quantitative data collection (18 hours, 2015)

Department of Mathematics, University of Bergen: Introduction to Survival Analysis (28 hours; 2020); Advanced Survival analysis (28 hours; 2021); Generalized Linear models (72 hours; 2021)

LUISS Business School, Rome, Italy: Statistics for Data Science (28 hours, 2020-2024)