STIC Doctoral School Welcome Meeting

November, 27th 2023

Beginning at 9:30
9:00 : Welcoming coffee

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- general presentation
- doctoral representatives
- courses and training

Around 10:45 : break

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- International Welcome Desk
- Science Accueil organization
- Valorisation : SATT Paris-Saclay

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The slides will be available on the doctoral school’s web site.
The Doctoral School
STIC Doctoral School

Sciences and Technologies of Information and Communication

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- 565 PhD students in 2022-2023 (about 5000 in Paris-Saclay globally)

- Nationalities and languages:
  - 48% come from abroad
  - 35% come from a country where French is not an official or used language.

- 597 PhD supervisors
ED STICS’s institutions and research labs

université PARIS-SACLAY

5 national research organisms

6 components

ILLEs

MIA Paris

LHPC

MTS

SATIE

6 components

27 research units

cnrs

CEA

Inria

ONERA

ibisc

L2S

Systemx

INRAE

pICs-L

MaiAGE

Li-Parad

iFSTTAR

edf

LisV

lurpa

SONERA

NP

LMV

LMF

DEdIP
ED STIC is involved in two Graduate Schools of the university

**Computer Science**
Informatique et Sciences du Numérique (ISN)

**Engineering and Systems Sciences**
Sciences de l’Ingénierie et des Systèmes (SIS)

- Data Science
- Formal models
- Knowledge representation
- Cybersecurity
- Bioinformatics
- Quantum computing
- Algorithmics, Optimization
- Internet of Things
- Human Machine Interaction
- Language processing
- Robotics
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- Applied math.
- High Perf. Computing
- Communications
- Signal processing
- Image processing
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The doctoral school is mainly to ensure that the PhD goes well from the beginning to the end.

It *coordinates* actors and processes for:

- Recruiting
- Registration, registration renewal
- Follow up (and help if problems occur)
- Training
- Support for thematic schools and international mobility
- PhD Defense
- Preparing the professional career
From the PhD student point of view

Each PhD student of the ED STIC

• works (generally) in a **laboratory** (research unit) which is associated to the ED STIC
• under the supervision of a **researcher** from that laboratory (generally),
• is registered in **Paris-Saclay University**
• belongs to a **Graduate School** of the university (either **Computer Science** or **Engineering and Systems Sciences**)
• belongs to one **Scientific Pole** of the ED STIC (generally – but not always - the one of his/her supervisor).
Student ID card

- **First-year** PhD students receive a **PHYSICAL card** from their Doctoral School (ED).

- **PLEASE KEEP** this card throughout your entire doctoral program.

- **In the following years, you will receive a VIRTUAL card.**

- Therefore, check your email inbox (including spam) the arrival of an email from “Ta carte ISIC <newsletter@email.isic.fr>”, with “Prénom, bienvenue chez ISIC !” as object.
ADONIS account

• Each PhD student receives each year an email from <adonis-no-reply@universite-paris-saclay.fr> to ACTIVATE or REACTIVATE his/her ADONIS account.

• This account allows you to receive your institutional email address, register for training, vote...

• Therefore check your email inbox (including spam) for the arrival of an email titled "ADONIS."
The director and the secretary of your pole are your natural interlocutors within the STIC DS.

**Pole A:** Systems and Control, Signal, Images, Robotics, Communications

**Pole B:** Data, Knowledge, Machine Learning, Interactions

**Pole C:** Programming, Models, Algorithms, Architecture, Networks
POLE A

Systems & Control, Signal, Image, Robotics, Communications

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POLE B

Data, Knowledge, Machine Learning and Interactions

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POLE C

Programming, Models, Algorithms, Architecture, Networks

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Council and Executive Committee

ED STIC Council
(26 members, including 5 PhD students)

Executive committee
(1 director, 6 deputy directors)

Pole A Committee
(12 members, including 1 PhD student)

Pole B Committee
(12 members, including 1 PhD student)

Pole C Committee
(12 members, including 1 PhD student)

Assistant ED

Assistant Pole A

Assistant Pole B

Assistant Pole C

Science policy
2 to 3 meetings a year

Daily management
1 meeting a month + dozens of emails!

Scientific follow-up during the PhD
Current PhD representatives

- Florian MARONNAT (pole A)
- Dora NOVAK (pole A)
- Nilo SCHWENCKE (pole B)
- Yanick TCHENKO (pole B)

• rep-doc-edstic@universite-paris-saclay.fr
Election on the PhD representatives

- 5 representatives, elected for 1 year
- All are members of the ED STIC Council
- Three of them are members of a pole committee

- Election in early 2024
- You will receive an email about the organization of the election.
The PhD project
PhD duration

• Standard duration: 3 years

• The 4th year registration is allowed only on exemption.

• Funding must be insured during the whole duration.

• Your PhD supervisor and yourself must **anticipate** these requirements.
• Some PhDs are carried out in international cotutelle:
  – One supervisor in each country
  – Alternating periods between the two countries
  – Double diploma (from both universities)

• Some others are carried out in an industrial context:
  – One academic supervisor, one industrial supervisor
  – Alternating periods between the two locations
The PhD Thesis is a project with several actors

- **PhD student**: conducts supervised research activities
- **Thesis supervisor**: supervises the doctoral student
- **Director of the laboratory**: ensures the environment of the doctoral student
- **Doctoral school (via the pole)**: carries out his/her follow-up, defines the doctoral training program, organizes the registration / re-registration and defense procedures, intervenes for any question during the thesis (in particular: health problems, conflicts).
The PhD Student (You!)

You:

- You are both a student and a researcher.
- You work under the supervision of your supervisor(s), you communicate with him/her/them regularly.
- You possibly teach.
- You work in a local context (research group, laboratory), and also in national and international contexts (researchers in your domain).
- You communicate your research results to other researchers, in seminars or workshops (local, national, international).
- You publish your results in international journals and/or conferences.
- At the end you write your thesis, and finally you defend it.
The PhD supervisor

Your PhD supervisor:

• **ensures your remuneration** during the whole duration of the PhD

• **supervises your work**, communicates with you regularly, discusses about the thesis advancement advises you.

• **provides the needed resources** for the accomplishment of the PhD project.

• **advises you about useful courses** for your PhD project.

• **encourages you and helps you to present and publish your work.**

• **advises you** for the writing of your manuscript and in the preparation of the defense.
Follow up by the STIC Doctoral school

- You must re-register each year, between July and October.
- Before each re-registration you must:
  - write a progress report on your work (3 to 8 pages),
  - present your work to a follow-up committee* and have a discussion with its members,
  - take stock of the training courses you have taken or will take (details in Hanna Klaudel’s talk after).

The individual follow-up committee is appointed by the doctoral school during the first months of the thesis, on the proposal of the thesis director, in consultation with the doctoral student.
Financial support for mobility and thematic schools (ED STIC and GS Computer Science)

- **Mobility**: a stay outside the research unit of the thesis director and that of his/her co-supervisor to work in collaboration with another lab. The support can be up to 2000€.

- **Thematic schools**: participation in thematic schools or young researcher schools. The support can be up to 1000 euros.

- In both cases, the support is paid to and managed by the doctoral student's research unit.

- **See details on the web site**: [https://www.universite-paris-saclay.fr/ecoles-doctorales/sciences-et-technologies-de-l-information-et-de-la-communication-stic](https://www.universite-paris-saclay.fr/ecoles-doctorales/sciences-et-technologies-de-l-information-et-de-la-communication-stic)
Financial support for talks in international conferences (GS Computer Science)

- The GS Computer Science gives support to PhD students for a mission to a prestigious conference in the field, up to 1500€.

- All PhD students of the ED STIC who do not have financial support for travel costs in their thesis funding are eligible for this action.

- See details on the GS web site: https://www.universite-paris-saclay.fr/la-gs-Isn-finance-vos-projets
Some other international actions in Paris-Saclay

- **European Doctorate label** (Doctor Europaeus)
  Conditions:
  - At least 3 months in another European country
  - Specific rules for defense authorization and jury
  - Oral presentation in another EC official language

- Paris-Saclay **annual call for mobility scholarship**: for stays in a research laboratory abroad, from 1 to 5 months

- **EUGLOH mobility programs** (European alliance for global health)

- **Fulbright program**: funds 4 to 12-month research periods in the USA for doctoral candidates

- ...

Pr Véronique Vèque : International-edstic@universite-paris-saclay.fr
Awarded each year to the research work of doctoral students from the ED STIC of Université Paris-Saclay and from IP Paris doctoral school for their excellence.

Promotes all types of scientific production by doctoral students: articles, evaluation campaigns or production of hardware and/or software systems.

2024 award: any research work produced during the PhD between June 1, 2023 and May 31, 2024 may be submitted.

Call will be launched during spring 2024
ICST "Doctoral students" prize from the Saclay plateau

• This year, two first prizes were awarded to:
  • Abdelaziz BOUNHAR, LTCI, Institut Polytechnique de Paris, for the publication "Mixing a Covert and a Non-Covert User"
  • Mathieu DAGREOU, Inria Saclay, Université Paris-Saclay, for the publication "A framework for bilevel optimization that enables stochastic and global variance reduction algorithms"

• Five accessits were awarded to:
  • Charlotte CAUCHETEUX, Inria Saclay, Université Paris-Saclay, for the publication "Evidence of a predictive coding hierarchy in the human brain listening to speech"
  • Sijie HU, IBISC, Université Paris-Saclay, for the publication "Multi-modal unsupervised domain adaptation for semantic image segmentation"
  • Jayneel PAREKH, LTCI, Institut Polytechnique de Paris, for the publication "Listen to Interpret : Post-hoc Interpretability for Audio Networks with NMF"
  • Carlos Antonio PINZON HENAO, LIX, Institut Polytechnique de Paris, for the publication "On the incompatibility of accuracy and equal opportunity"
  • Marion SAVANIER, CVN, Université Paris-Saclay, for the publication "Deep Unfolding of the DBFB Algorithm with Application to ROI CT Imaging with Limited Angular Density"
ICST PhD students' day of the Plateau de Saclay

• Organized by **Université Paris-Saclay** and **Institut Polytechnique de Paris**.
• **Next one: Spring 2024.**
• **Open to all doctoral students in ICST** and their supervisors from the Université Paris-Saclay and the Institut Polytechnique de Paris.

• **Lectures** by guest speakers, and by the winners of the 2023 Plateau de Saclay doctoral student awards.
• **Call to posters** to all the doctoral students from the two doctoral schools.
• **Best poster prize.**
Next meetings

- **January 2023:** welcome Meeting by the GS Engineering and System Sciences.

- **Spring 2024:** PhD students' day in STIC of the Plateau de Saclay.

- **Spring 2024:** what to do after the PhD? (priority for doctoral students in their third year)

- **Other meetings** will be co-organised by the doctoral school and/or the graduate schools (e.g. with industrial partners).
In case of any problem

The Doctoral School is here to help you in any case, especially in case of problems (conflicts, health problems etc.):

- The pole director
- The doctoral school director
- The PhD student representatives
Communication with the doctoral school

- **Useful links:**
  - ADUM (where your account for registration, training etc. is): [www.adum.fr](http://www.adum.fr)
  - The STIC pages on the Paris-Saclay web site: [https://www.universite-paris-saclay.fr/ecoles-doctorales](https://www.universite-paris-saclay.fr/ecoles-doctorales)

- **Emails:**
  - To send an email to your pole (director and assistant): poleXstic@universite-paris-saclay.fr, where X=A, B or C.
  - read carefully the emails from ADUM and from your pole. They are sent to the email address you wrote in ADUM.
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Enjoy your PhD!
Enjoy your life!