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## **Work experiences:**

### **Junior scientist at Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change – Climate Simulation and Prediction (CSP) division (2022-present):**

- Research topic: Decadal climate predictability, coupled modelling, with focus on the Euro-Mediterranean sector and North Atlantic Ocean (within WP2 ASPECT project).
- Responsible of the CMCC decadal prediction system within WP1 ASPECT projects (documentation paper published on GMD).
- Idealized experiments targeting the climate response to volcanic forcings within DCPP-C framework contributing to multimodel study (2022).

### **Post-doc researcher at Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change – Climate Simulation and Prediction (CSP) division (2020-2022):**

- Research topic: Decadal climate predictability, coupled modelling
- Development of the CMCC decadal prediction system within EUCP and ASPECT projects (documentation paper published on GMD).
- Co-supervisor of master's degree Chiara Galeotti thesis on "Multi annual predictability of the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation" (2020) CMCC Foundation and University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy

### **Post-doc researcher at Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change – Climate Simulation and Prediction (CSP) division (2018-2020):**

- Research topic: AMV impact on global climate and decadal-scale predictability.
- running idealized AMV-pacemaker experiments within DCPP-C framework (2016-2019, started during the Ph.D.).
- Development of the CMCC decadal prediction system within EUCP project (2018-2020).

### **Visiting at CERFACS, Toulouse, France (2018):**

Internship for Ph.D abroad period (3 months): Study of the AMV impact using CNRM-CM5 DCPP-C simulations and comparison to CMCC-CM2 DCPP-C simulations for Ph.D. thesis, under the supervision of E. Sanchez-Gomez and C. Cassou. Results have been presented at EGU 2018.

### **Research Fellow at Istituto Nazionale di Geofisica E Vulcanologia (INGV), Bologna, Italy. (2015).**

Technical collaborator (7 months): Collaboration in preparation of the high-resolution bathymetry for numerical modelling

### **Trainee Oceanographer at Istituto Nazionale di Geofisica E Vulcanologia (INGV), Bologna, Italy (2014).**

Internship for post-master training course "Information technologies for maritime safety" (6 months): Improvement of the quality check of pre-processing glider data for Mediterranean Forecasting System.

## **Trainee Oceanographer at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI), Woods Hole, MA, U.S. (2012).**

Internship for MSc thesis (4 months): laboratory experiments for a research project investigating the influence of water temperature and wind driven circulation on the submarine melting of Greenland's Glaciers. Analyses of laboratory data and diagnostics development.

## **Education:**

### **Ph.D. in Science and Management of Climate Change Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy, and CMCC Foundation, Bologna, Italy (03/2019)**

- Ph.D. thesis title: "Global climate impacts of the Atlantic Multidecadal variability: a model-based approach". Advisors: A. Bellucci, D. Iovino

### **Master degree of Environmental Engineering "Sapienza" University of Rome, Italy (07/2013)**

- MSc thesis: "Experimental study on Greenland's fjords: influence of temperature and circulation on the glaciers' melting". Advisors: A. Cenedese, C. Cenedese, S. Espa

### **Bachelor degree of Environmental Engineering "Sapienza" University of Rome, Italy (11/2009).**

## **Courses and Training:**

- GOTHAM International Summer School "Global Teleconnections in the Earth's Climate System – Processes, Modelling and Advanced Analysis Methods" - Potsdam Institute (PIK), Potsdam, Germany (2017)
- Master of Research in Science and Management of Climate Change Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy (2015)
- B2 English Exam Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy (2015)
- Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) – General Test (2015)
- Introduction to modern Fortran CINECA, Seccrate (MI), Italy (2015)
- Post-master training course "Information technologies for maritime safety" CMCC, Lecce, Italy (2014-2015).

## **Personal skills:**

### *Languages:*

Italian (mother tongue), English (B2), Spanish (A2)

### *Digital skills:*

Coding: Fortran, Matlab, Python, ncl, NCO (netcdf), CDO (netcdf), Linux-Bash

Modelling: CMCC-CM2 global coupled model, NEMOv3.6 Ocean Model, CAM5 Atmospheric model

## **Publications in peer-reviewed journals:**

Patrizio C., Athanasiadis P.J., Smith D., and **Nicoli D.** Ocean-atmosphere feedbacks key to NAO decadal predictability. *npj Climate and Atmospheric science* (submitted).

**Nicoli D.**, Gualdi S., Athanasiadis P.J.; Decadal predictions outperform projections in forecasting winter precipitation over the Mediterranean region. *Environmental Research Letter* (in review).

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**Nicoli, D.**, Bellucci, A., Ruggieri, P., Athanasiadis, P. J., Materia, S., Peano, D., Fedele, G., Hénin, R., and Gualdi, S.: The Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change (CMCC) decadal prediction system, *Geosci. Model Dev.*, 16, 179–197, <https://doi.org/10.5194/gmd-16-179-2023>, 2023.

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## Conference Abstracts:

### MedCLIVAR-SISC 2024, Lecce, Italy

Oral presentation: Decadal predictions outperform climate projections in forecasting Mediterranean winter precipitation

### European Meteorological Society 2024 GA, Barcelona, Spain

Oral presentation: Decadal predictions outperform climate projections in forecasting winter precipitation over the Mediterranean region

### CMCC Webinar, online, 16/07/2024

Oral presentation: Decadal predictability of European precipitation: insights from the Decadal Climate Prediction Project

### Workshop on Climate Prediction and Services over the Atlantic-Arctic region, online, 27–30/05/2024

Oral presentation: Decadal predictions outperform climate projections in forecasting Mediterranean winter precipitation

### European Geosciences Union 2024 GA, Vienna, Austria

Oral presentation: Decadal predictions outperform climate projections in forecasting Mediterranean winter precipitation

### 9th Metmed, Genova, Italy, 22–24/05/2024

Oral presentation: Multi-model assessment of the next-decade climate over the Mediterranean region

### Ocean Reanalysis Workshop of the Copernicus Marine Service, Toulouse, France, 9–12/10/2023

**Invited talk:** Coupled community: Decadal predictions

### CMCC Webinar, online, 25/10/2022

Oral presentation: predicting Mediterranean climate on interannual to decadal timescales: perspectives from the CMCC decadal prediction system

### MedCLIVAR 2022 CONF, Marrakech, Morocco, 4–8/10/2022

Oral presentation: Predicting Mediterranean Climate on annual-to-decadal timescales – perspectives from the CMCC Decadal Prediction System

### Third WMO Workshop on Operational Climate Prediction (OCP-3), Lisbon, Portugal, 20–22/09/2022

Poster presentation: Predicting Mediterranean Climate on annual-to-decadal timescales – perspectives from the CMCC Decadal Prediction System

**European Meteorological Society 2021 GA, online**

Oral presentation: Predicting Climate Change over the multi-annual range: a perspective from CMCC Decadal Prediction System

**IX Annual SISC Conference 2021, online**

Oral presentation: Predicting Climate Change over the multi-annual range: a perspective from CMCC Decadal Prediction System

**European Meteorological Society 2019 GA, Copenhagen, Denmark**

Oral presentation: Decadal-scale predictability of Eurasian summer precipitation: the role of AMV

**European Geosciences Union 2019 GA, Vienna, Austria**

Oral presentation: Decadal-scale predictability of Eurasian summer precipitation: the role of AMV

**THEMES 2018 - Workshop on “Oceanic and Atmospheric variability, from long-term trends to abrupt shifts”, Venice, Italy**

Oral presentation: Atlantic Multidecadal Variability: assessing climate impact in an idealized framework with a state-of-the-art model

**European Geosciences Union 2018 GA, Vienna, Austria**

Poster presentation: Global climate impacts of the Atlantic Multidecadal Variability: a model-based approach

**V Annual SISC Conference 2017, Bologna, Italy**

Oral presentation: Global climate impacts of the Atlantic Multidecadal Variability: a model-based approach

Bologna, 30/08/2024