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**Development of novel Materials-based Devices and  
Systems for Ultra-Fast electronics**

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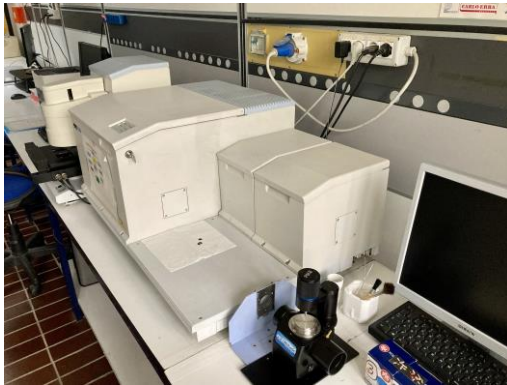
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- **Microwave Laboratory:** two vector network analyzers (VNA) Agilent, model E5071C. **Photonics Laboratory:** active anti-vibration tables, laser sources, detectors, fiber optic components, optical spectrum analyser working in the THz range
- **Microscopy Laboratory:** AFM Microscope, Scanning Capacitance Microscopy and Kelvin Probe Microscopy, STM and broadband Scanning Microwave Microscope (SMM). CAD Lab for IC Design
- **Chemistry Laboratory:** Perkin Elmer Spectrum GX1 Fourier Transform Infra-Red (IR) spectrometer, Bruker EMX/Xenon Electron Paramagnetic Resonance (EPR) spectrometer. atomistic simulation techniques based on ab-initio, Density Functional
- **Modeling and Simulation Laboratory:** 16-core central processing unit (CPU) of type Intel I9 10900K workstations for atomistic simulations

## European Grants

- [PLASNANO, HORIZON-RIA \(2023-2026\)](#)
- [HIMMODA, EDA, n. 20.RTI.OP. \(2021-2023\)](#)
- [GREENERGY, H2020-LC-SC3-2020-RES-RIA \(2022-2025\)](#)
- [NANO EH, H2020 FET PROACTIVE \(2021-2024\)](#)
- [NANOPOLY, H2020 FETOPEN \(2019-2023\)](#)
- [NANOSMART, H2020 ICT \(2019-2023\)](#)
- [NTX H2020 FETOPEN \(2017-2018\)](#)
- [PHENOMEN, H2020 FETOPEN \(2016-2019\)](#)
- [NANO RF, FP7 ICT \(2012-2016\)](#)
- [TW-CNT, QUÉBEC-ITALIE Project \(2011-2012\)](#)



***Perkin Elmer FT-IR spectrometer***

***Bruker EPR spectrometer***



***Chemistry Laboratory***

***Modeling and Simulation Laboratory***







***Antenna laboratory***



***Scanning Probe Microscopy***

***Microwave laboratory***



***Optics laboratory***





The Department of Information Engineering (DII) was established in 2011 following the merge of the previous DIBET (Department of Biomedical, Electronics and Telecommunication engineering) and DIIGA (Department of Computer, Management and Automation engineering).

The Department is a self-managing organizational branch of the university which is dedicated to scientific research, teaching, and contributing to the so called Third Mission of the Higher Education Institution through the dissemination of scientific research findings amongst the community.

Its main aims are to plan, organize and regularly assess the quality of the research activities carried out in the scientific sectors and disciplines under its jurisdiction; to plan, organize and manage bachelor and master courses in Information Engineering and, last but not least, to provide cultural and educational activities and contribute to training and guidance issues according to the students needs.

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### AT A GLANCE

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2023

11 Scientific Area  
ING-INF/01 ING-INF/02  
ING-INF/03 ING-INF/04  
ING-INF/05 ING-INF/06  
ING-INF/07 ING-IND/31  
ING-IND/35 MAT/09  
SECS-P/06



250+ Publications



65 Staff

Bachelor Degree in: Biomedical Engineering, Electronic Engineering and Digital Technologies, Computer and Automation Engineering, Information Engineering for Videogame and Virtual Reality.

Master Degree in: Biomedical Engineering (in english), Electronic Engineering, Computer and Automation Engineering.

Bachelor Degree with professional orientation in Industrial and Information Systems (based in Pesaro).



> 4 M€  
Research income



100 PhD, Post-doc, Research fellows

DII coordinates the PhD in Information Engineering, organized in two curricula:  
- Biomedical, Electronics, Telecommunication Engineering and Nanotechnologies (IBETN)  
- Computer, Management and Automation Engineering (IIGA)



Research laboratories 32



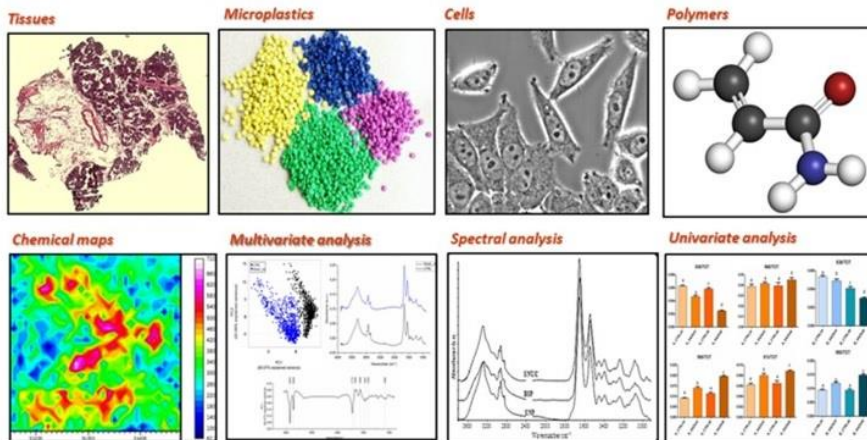
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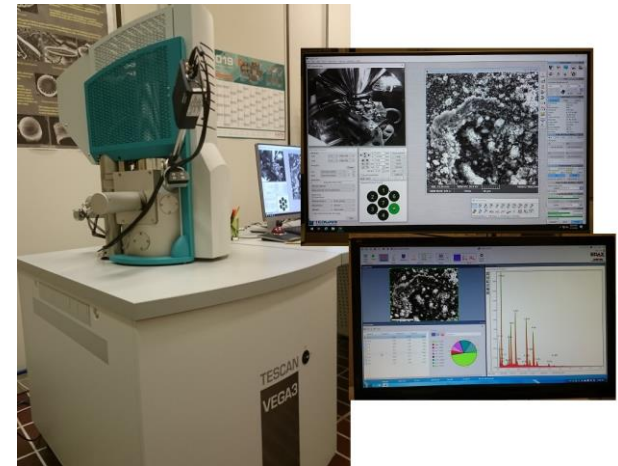
Structure in which the **confluence of different expertises** yield high-level teaching and high-profile international research in the field of **Science of Matter** and **Earth Sciences** with a special focus toward the **Environment**.

It operates within the **Engineering Faculty** offering teachers specialised in the so-called «hard sciences» (**Chemistry** and **Physics**) as well as theachers involved in more «applicative» fields, such as **Materials Engineering**, **Geotechnics**, **Geology**, **Environmental Engineering** and **Urban Planning**.

- TECHNICAL ARCHITECTURE
- APPLIED GEOLOGY AND HYDROGEOLOGY
- ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
- GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING



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- CHEMISTRY (ORGANIC)
- MATERIALS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
- EXPERIMENTAL PHYSICS



**Project Idea: Development of novel Materials-based Devices and Systems for Ultra-Fast electronics**

- The first target of the present project will include the study of **nanomaterials** to identify the best configurations for reconfigurable antennas encompassing oxide-based RF-switches, which can change their characteristics on ns and ps time scales
- These switches preferably design in a coplanar structure that will show ultra-low insertion losses ( $<0.2$  dB), high isolation ( $>25$ dB), and switching times in the range of 100 ps up to 100 ns. Hence, devices based on phase change materials are expected to be characterized by a wide bandwidth from 1 GHz up to 100 GHz.
- The final aim is to integrate such kind of devices in an ultrafast reconfigurable phased antenna array
- Regarding the ferroelectrics (FE)-based ultra-high frequency devices, it is expected the realization of low TRL prototypes of miniaturized phase shifters, filters, antennas, and antenna array. Another outcome is represented by the fabrication of rectennas, and RF harvesters based on metal-insulator-metal (MIM) tunnelling diodes
- The project is based on a combined computational-experimental approach able to provide all the required information to fabricate prominent devices saving costs, times, and promoting a major sustainability reducing the amount of waste