











EDITORIAL OF OLIVIER ROMAIN

#### **2021** WAS A RICH YEAR IN EVENTS

The year 2021, like the year 2020, was also marked by the global health crisis of COVID-19, which had an impact on the laboratory, mainly in terms of international outreach (conferences, visiting professors and co-tutored theses).

Nevertheless, the laboratory has shown incredible resilience in its scientific activities as well as in the development of its project around intelligent and communicating systems, complementary issues around AI, security, health, IoT and new mobilities. To support the latter, the laboratory has included four strategic and complementary actions in its 2020-2024 project. They concern the implementation of new tools to support: (i) the emergence of unit projects at the interfaces of the teams - Tremplin, (ii) the search for financial resources, (iii) the strengthening of human resources, and (iv) the international development of the laboratory. These actions have been amplified at the level of the management and the four research teams and the year 2021 has been punctuated by excellent results. Thus, our flagship fields have been supported by PIA research projects (in particular the Equipex+ Espadon, INEX and EUTOPIA teams), recognised by awards, nominations and high-impact publications, and promoted through events (Futurobot, etc.), industrial projects (CIFRE), international collaborative projects (ANR PRCI) and research actions with the IRL IPAL.

At the laboratory level, the actions undertaken within the framework of the missions created by the new management (equality-parity, international, support for young people, communication and scientific animation) have been expanded. The laboratory has a new graphic charter and a new website. A tri-lingual "equality-parity" charter has been implemented. Interdisciplinarity continues to be cultivated through two new TREMPLIN projects at the interfaces of the teams (Unconventional Imaging and Semantic 6G Wireless Communications, AAP UNIQUE INS2I), the monthly "fil rouge" seminar, CIFRE theses (Vedecom, IDEMIA, ...), ANRs, European projects, and, the incubation of a new research group in Design since September 2021. On the international front, the actions carried out have enabled an increase in EUTOPIA theses, a rapprochement with the IRL IPAL through future doctoral programmes (INEX CYU, A\*STAR and NUS funding) and an international "Emerging Imaging" team with the Centro de Matematica Aplicada, Universidad Nacional de San Martin, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Finally, a Junior Professorship "Bio-Inspired Modelling of Cognitive Functions and Adaptive Behaviour" has been obtained for 2022 and labelled by the CNRS.

Concerning the teams, CELL continues to develop and stand out scientifically in the field of intelligent embedded systems applied to health, security and IoT through, 2 awards, 14 journals, 3 patents, 1 ANR PRCI, 2 DIM RFSI, 1 CIFRE, 2 SRV ENSEA, 4 ANR AAPG2021 projects submitted, 1 European Pathfinder project, a new platform (CNRS,

ENSEA, CYU) on multimodal analysis of movement and the organisation of the first CNRS thematic school on bio-electronic interfaces.

The ICI team continues its scientific excellence in information processing and wireless communications. Thus, the ICI team was involved in the construction of the PEPR 5G project, under the CNRS leadership. The outstanding results of this team were accompanied by 23 published papers, 1 new EUTOPIA thesis with Warwick, 1 DIM RFSI project and 1 DIM Math Innov project. 5 new ANR projects were submitted. Kevin Carrier (MCF tenure track) joins the team to support research projects in post-quantum security and networking.

The MIDI teams continues to refocus on two research axes: indexing and data analysis, with important and remarkable developments in the field of digital humanities (heritage data) funded through the Espadon team, the FSP, and the field of anomaly identification in time series (two theses in co-supervising with VUB and Ljubljana). Nistor Grozavu (Professor) and Michele Linardi (MCF) are joining the MIDI team to support the team's work on the analysis of structured and unstructured multimodal data, as well as on time series. The team has been particularly involved in the renewal of the DIM MAP (DRIM PAMIR). The excellent results of this team have been demonstrated through 8 journals including IEEE PAMI, 2 EUTOPIA, 2 CIFRE, 1 INEX, 1 DIM MAP. 8 research projects in response to the AAPG ANR2021 have been submitted

Finally, concerning the NEURO team, 2021 was the occasion to initiate the first research works within the framework of the INEX Neuroscience and Robotics chair while maintaining the excellence of the team, in the fields of bio-inspired AI modelling and cognitive architectures. The NEURO team has notably organised the Futurobot event (CNRS) in Cergy Pontoise in October 2021 and its actions have been accompanied by 7 published journals including 2 PloS (One and Computational Biology), 1 best paper at IROS, 1 DIM RFSI, 1 EUTOPIA thesis with Pompeu Fabra, and two INEX. Lola Cañamero is recognized among the 50 Women in Robotics you need to know about 2021.

These few extracts from the activity report are intended to arouse your curiosity. Please feel free to browse through this report, our website and our other communication channels to find out more.

This report is the fruit of all the members of the laboratory. Thank you all for your continuous efforts.

Olivier ROMAIN
Director of ETIS

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## Tistructure of the Lab

**Direction and administrative** 

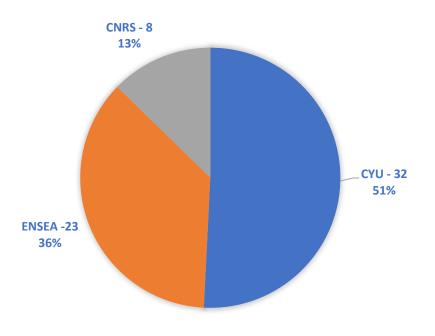
	Direction and administrative	- 1 director (CYU)
		- 1 deputy director (ENSEA)
		- 4 administrative
		- 5 projects managers
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	Teams and research groups	- 4 teams
		- 1 new research group (sept 2021)
	Engineers group	- 9 engineers (including 5 CNRS)

## **Staff 2021**

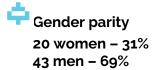
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159 people
63 permanents
13 ATER and Post-doc
66 PhD students
17 Associates and others

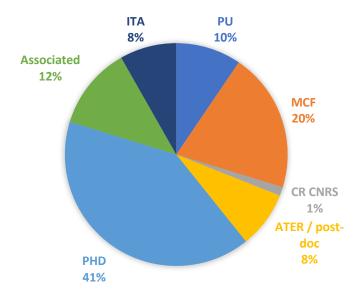
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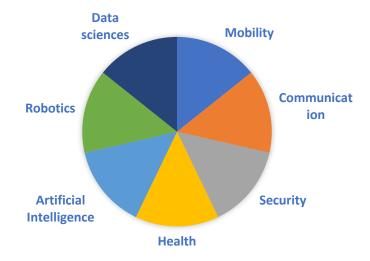








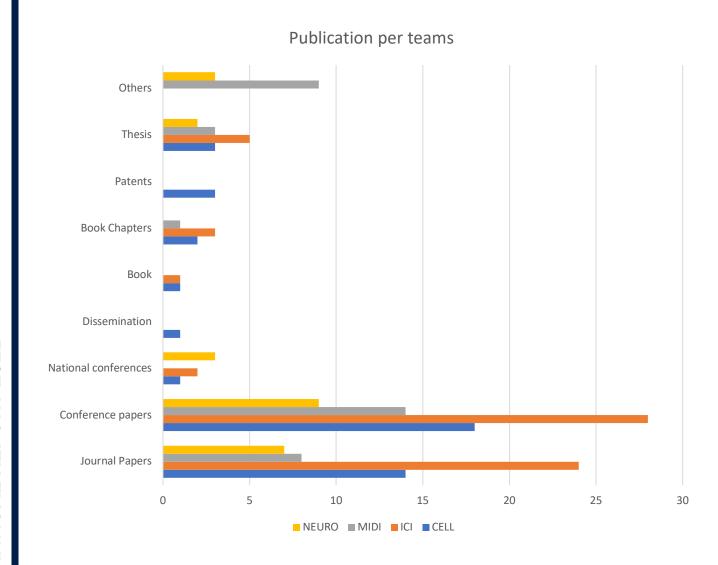
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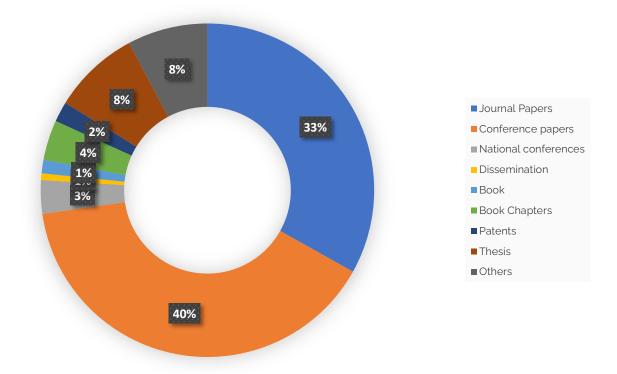
## **Publications**

ln 2021			From 2019		
Journals	Conferences	Total	Journals	Conferences	Total
<i>52</i>	63	158	145	180	444

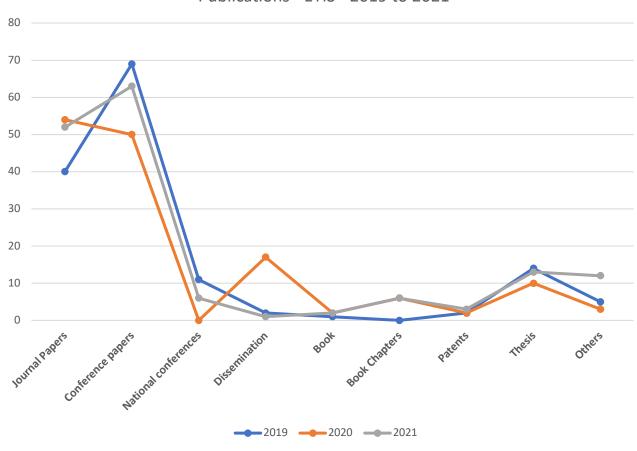
Teams	Journals	Conferences	National conferences	Disseminatio n	Book	Chapter s	Patents	Others
CELL	14	18	1	1	1	2	3	0
ICI	24	28	2	0	1	3	0	0
MIDI	8	14	1	0	0	1	0	9
NEURO	7	9	3	0	0	0	0	3
Between Team	1	6	0	0	0	o	0	0
ETIS	52	63	7	1	2	6	3	12



### Distribution of publication in 2021



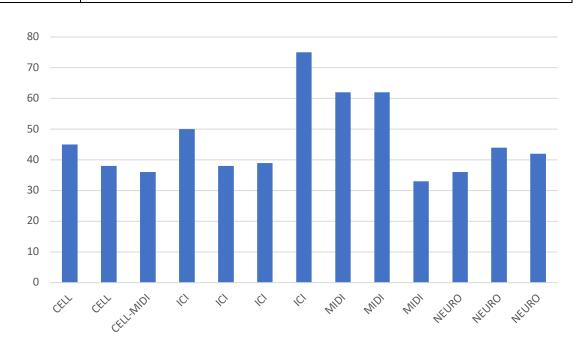
Publications - ETIS - 2019 to 2021





2021From 2019PhD defendedHDRPhD defendedHDR1346.1 months13648 months4

Teams	PhD defended		
CELL	2	Khelif – 12/07/2021 – 45 months Lahdhiri – 14/01/2021 – 38 months	
ICI	4	Rezgui – 14/12/2021 – 50 months Tarpau – 07/12/2021 – 38 months Mokni – 16/12/2021 – 39 months Boushama – 02/12/2021 – 75 months	
MIDI	3	Katsomallos – 13/12/2021 – 62 months Kontarinis – 13/12/2021 – 62 months Besbes – 30/06/2021 – 34 months	
NEURO	3	Annabi – 15/12/2021 – 36 months Aubin – 09/12/2021 – 42 months Hoang – 12/04/2021 – 44 months	
Interteam	1	Gizzini – 03/12/2021 – 36 months	
ETIS	13 @ Doctoral School of CY		



## Experimental equipments and platforms

	2 Equipex	-	Robotex Patrimex
	2 Equipex+		Espadon
		-	Tirrex
> 79 scientific	7 platforms	-	Smart Gait
equipments	INS2I, CYU, ENSA	-	Smart Embedded Systems
		-	Heritage
		-	Image
		-	Robotic and mobility
		-	Processing
		-	Acoustic



20 new contracts: 1.3M€	
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	- 2 Equipex+
	- 2 FSP
	- 3 INEX
	- 4 EUTOPIA
	- 4 DIM RFSI
	- 1 Labex MME-DII
	- 1 ANR PRCI
45 ongoing contracts: 5.1M€	- 9 CIFRE
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	- 14 INEX
	- 1 FSP
	- 3 DIM RFSI
	- 5 ANR
	- 1 Erasmus+
	- 2 H2020
	- 1 EUTOPIA
	- 2 Labex MME-DII

- 3 PHC
- 1 ADEME
- 2 subcontracts

#### Budget / sponsors CYU -ENSEA-CNRS

- 145.9 k€ for functioning
- 51k€ for equipment

## **Budget ETIS**



## Arrivals and exits

Permanents	Arrivals	Exits
ETIS		Cedric Dessennes, caesura
	<ul> <li>Mohamed Amine Khelif, PhD, MCF ESIEE-IT associated to the ETIS Lab</li> </ul>	
CELL	<ul> <li>Petr Dobias, PhD, Assistant Professor, ESIEE-IT associated to the ETIS Lab</li> </ul>	Pierre Lecoy, Professor
	<ul> <li>Sonia Yassa, PhD, Assistant Professor, CY-Tech, associated to the ETIS Lab</li> </ul>	Nga Nguyen, Assistant Professor
	<ul> <li>Juan Angel Lorenzo De Castillo, CY-Tech, associated to ETIS Lab</li> </ul>	
ICI	<ul> <li>Kevin Carrier (tenure track), CY TECH</li> </ul>	

l'Information et Systèmes	21
ETIS - Equipes Traitement de l'	<b>ANNUAL REPORT 2021</b>

	Lylia Alouache, CY-Tech, associated to ETIS Lab	
MIDI	<ul> <li>Nistor Grozavu, Professor CYU, CY TECH</li> <li>Michele Linardi, Assistant Professor CYU, CY IUT</li> </ul>	David PICARD (now Professor LIGM)
NEURO		

PhD and others	Arrivals	Exits	
CELL	<ul> <li>Ozgun Yilmaz, ATER</li> <li>Pierre Jacob, ATER</li> <li>Laure Acin, PhD</li> <li>Alexandre Bordat, PhD</li> <li>Thomas Couppey, PhD</li> <li>Ihab Talleb, PhD</li> </ul>	Habiba Lahdhiri, PhD – CYU. Now Assistant Professor at ESIEE-Paris	
ICI	<ul> <li>Mahdi Shakiba Herfeh, Post-doc</li> <li>Sotiris Skaperas, Post-doc</li> <li>Muralikrishnan Srivivasan, Post-doc</li> <li>Cécile Bouette, PhD</li> <li>Amin Nassaj, PhD</li> <li>Ibrahim Sbeity, PhD</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Cécilia Tarpau, PhD defended</li> <li>Gada Rezgui, PhD defended</li> </ul>	
MIDI	<ul> <li>Mussab Zneika, ATER</li> <li>Sayed Sadaf Ali, Post-doc</li> <li>Asma Garbi, Post-doc</li> <li>Alessandra Calvi, PhD</li> <li>Maha Ben-Fares, PhD</li> <li>Yasser Khalafaoui, PhD</li> <li>Nicolas Larue, PhD</li> <li>Maxime Marchal, PhD</li> <li>Nikolaos Myrtakis, PhD</li> <li>Xiatong Qian, PhD</li> <li>Alexandra Stoleru, PhD</li> <li>Tharsan Sentivel, PhD</li> <li>Laura Willot, PhD</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Wassim Swaileh, Post-doc</li> <li>Mohamed Besbes, PhD defended</li> <li>Emmanouil Katsomallos, PhD defended</li> <li>Alexandros Kontarinis, PhD defended</li> </ul>	
NEURO	Sébastien Mick, Post-doc DIM RFSI	<ul><li>Louis Annabi, PhD defended</li><li>Kevin Hoang, PhD defended</li></ul>	

Romain Dedieu, Post-doc	Julien Abrossimoff, cesure PhD
<ul> <li>Matthieu Goriot, PhD</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Zakaria Lemhaouri, PhD</li> </ul>	

## GDR and DIM

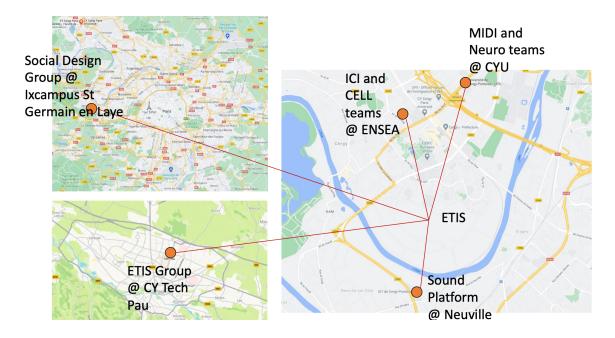
GDRs	CELL	ICI	MIDI	NEURO
IA		0	0	
ISIS	0	0	0	0
JEUX		0		
MACS				0
MADICS			0	
Mémoire				0
Robotique				0
RO		0		
Sécurité	0	0		
SoC2	0			
Sport	0		0	0

DIM	CELL	ICI	MIDI	NEURO
RFSI	0	0		0
МАР			0	
Math Innov		0		



#### **General presentation**

The laboratory was created in 1980 at the Ecole Nationale Supérieure de l'Electronique et de ses Applications (ENSEA) as the Image Processing Team, then ETIS with the addition of the Signal component. In 1991, ETIS became a joint team of ENSEA and the University of Cergy-Pontoise (UCP). Since 2002, ETIS is a joint research unit (UMR 8051) under the supervision of ENSEA, UCP and CNRS. At the CNRS, ETIS is mainly attached to the National Institute of Information Sciences and their Interactions (INS2I), and secondarily to the National Institute of Engineering Sciences (INSIS). Following the arrival in 2006 of three lecturer-researchers in databases (from the former Laboratoire d'Informatique de Cergy- Pontoise), then in 2009 of seven academics in analogue electronics (from the former EA ECIME), ETIS changed its name to Equipes Traitement de l'Information et Systèmes (Information Processing and Systems Teams), while retaining its ETIS acronym. The laboratory was successively directed by Jean-Pierre Cocquerez (1989-1999), Didier Demigny (2000-2004), Inbar Fijalkow (2005-2012) and Mathias Quoy (2013-2019). Since the 1st January 2020, the laboratory is jointly directed by Olivier Romain (DU) and Véronica Belmega (DUA). The laboratory is located at the ENSEA (Cergy-Pontoise) and Cergy Paris University - CYU (Saint-Martin, Neuville sur Oise, Saint-Germain en Laye and Pau).

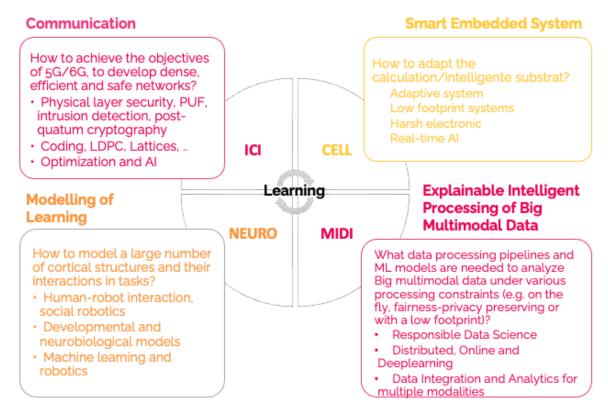


#### Scientific activities

ETIS has become a recognised laboratory and key player in the field of information processing. The research carried out is based on current societal challenges and concerns both the modelling of complex systems (cognitive models of behaviour, cooperative networks, reliable storage, etc.) and learning methods for self-adaptive intelligent systems (for data mining, interactive and autonomous robots, biomedical implants, etc.). The societal challenges listed in the National Research Strategy - France

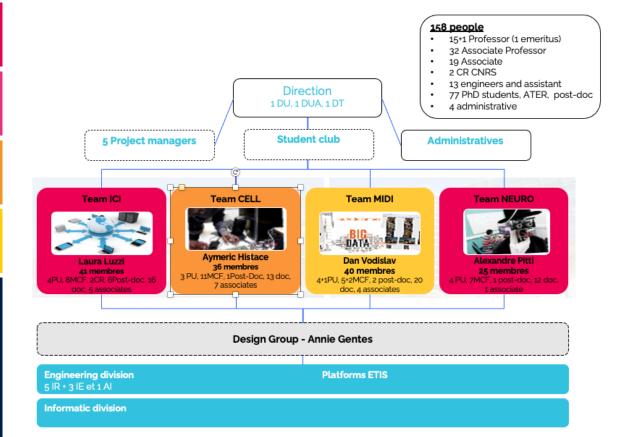
Europe 2020 (SNR) are also the backdrop for our research activities, in particular, those concerning "the information and communication society", "life, health and well-being", "Freedom and security of Europe, its citizens and residents", and "mobility and sustainable urban systems".

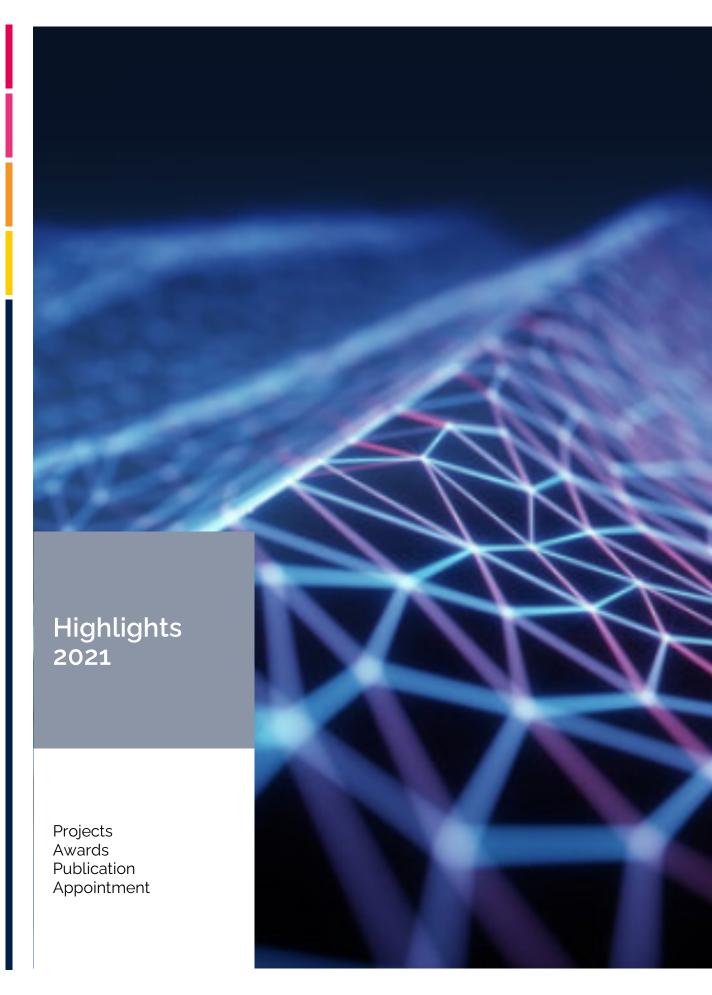
Concerning the socio-economic and cultural challenges, at the laboratory level, each team adopts a "bottom-up" approach favouring the emergence of fundamental issues while responding to solve concrete problems.



#### **Teams and groups**

As in 2020, ETIS is composed of 4 teams: CELL, ICI, MIDI and NEURO. Since September 2021, ETIS supported the development of the research group lead by Annie Gentes (Professor CYU) on Design (more information are available on the web site of the Lab).





#### **Selected highlights**

Despite the health crisis that continued in 2021, the ETIS laboratory has demonstrated excellence and has again distinguished itself through awards, nominations, projects funded under PIA, ANR, collaborative projects with industry, publications in high impact journals, etc.

A selection of these is presented below. All these highlights are completed in this report at team level and you can find more details on our website and other media.

- Inbar Fijalkow was elected as the new President of Section 7 of the CoNRS (Section 07: Sciences de l'information: signaux, images, langues, automatique, robotique, interactions, systèmes intégrés matériel-logiciel https://www.cnrs.fr/comitenational/sections/section.php?sec=07)
- Participation of the team ICI in the PEPR for 5G. The team participated in multiple pre-proposals with I. Fijalkow, V. Belmega, I. Andriyanova, L. Luzzi, S. Berri and A. Chorti.
- 3 awards:
  - Outstanding Student Paper Award for Sébastien Thomet, CELL, DFTS2021
  - o Best Paper Award for Sylvain Colomer, NEURO-CELL, IROS2021
  - Best Paper Award for N. Myrtakis, BDA 2021
- Start of the ESPADON project (PIA/EquipEx+, 8,4 M€), with the WP Data co-led by Dan Vodislav, and the successful application of the MediaPat PhD project, funded by Fondation des Sciences du Patrimoine, focusing on the first steps in the design of the ESPADON data model, functional and system architectures.
- Lola Cañamero in "50 Women in Robotics you need to know about 2021", https://robohub.org/50-women-in-robotics-you-need-to-know-about-2021/
- Journal paper published in PloS Computational Biology, Alexandre Pitti, Mathias Quoy, Sofiane Boucenna, Catherine Lavandier. Brain-inspired model for early vocal learning and correspondence matching using free-energy optimization.
- New graphical and identity chart
- New website
- Futurobot @ Cergy Pontoise organized by CNRS and ETIS, 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021, www.futurobot-cergy.fr



#### **Overview**





8 industrials projects (ANR PRCE, Subcontracting, ...)



### **Partnerships**

ETIS is involved in numerous industrial and academic partnerships, iither through PhD co-financing schemes (aka CIFRE doctoral fellowships) or through chairs (e.g., « IoT » Orange chair and « Data Analytics » Qwant chair).

Most partnerships are built upon long-standing links with major European industrial groups (IDEMIA, Védécom, SAGEM, CIRA, Partelec, 2CSI, M2M, QWANT, BOSCH, Thales, BIA, Nokia, Thales TCS, Huawei and LRMH, to quote but a few), cultural institutions (BnF French National Library, Musée du Louvre, Archives Nationales, Château de Versailles, C2RMF, RMN-GP) and governmental organizations (PJGN, CEA, IGN).

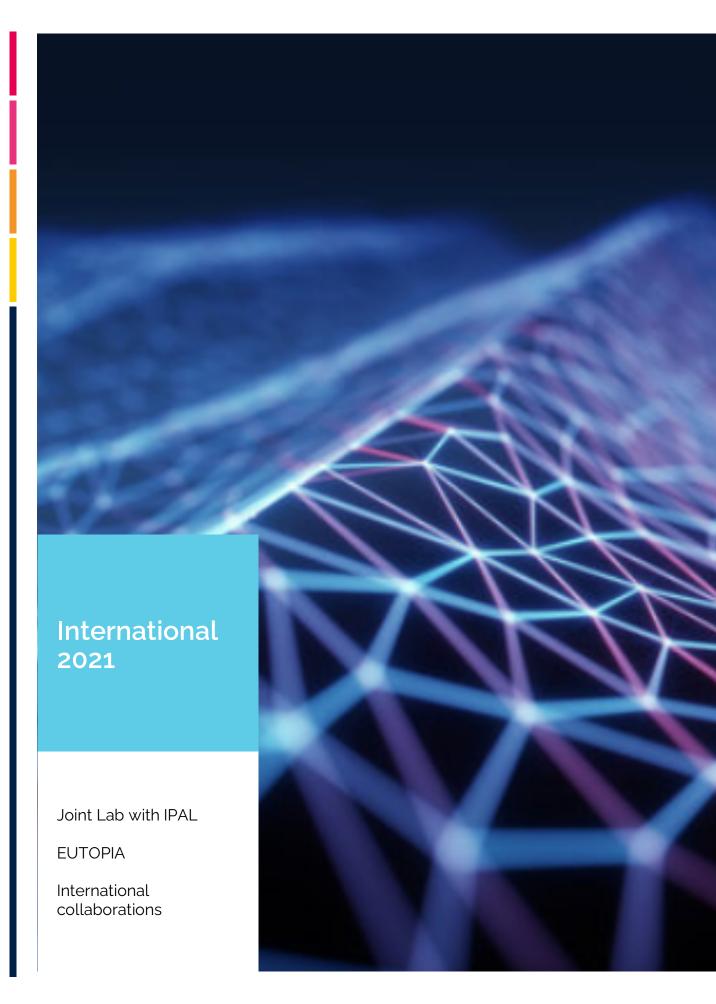
Other industrial collaborative projects comprise CRCC, Capital Vision, VEDECOM, IPANELA. In particular, CIFRE doctoral fellowships have been funded by Zodiac, Thales TRT, Thales Com, TRAPIL, Valéo, ASTRIUM, Axalot.

### Spin-offs

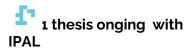
SEQUENCIA: Sequencia is developing a solution to analyze, sequence and index in a multimodal way (text, image, sound (ou audio) and animation) any type of streaming or local videos to offer a multicriteria search engine monitored (or controlled) by a remote control (pause, fast forward/rewind, summary, zapping, playlist, DVD-like chaptering). The innovation lies in the total automation of the video content analysis processing chain, which aims to bring together the different points of view of each modality by integrating them into a distributed indexing process. Iln 2021, Boris Borzic, involved in Sequencia, obtained a rise program to support the development of Sequencia.

After the creation of Augmented-Endoscopy Spin off in 2019, the company obtained at the beginning of 2021 a French Tech Emergence grant from BPI jointly with a first raising of external funds (for a total of 150k€). In parallel, two patents were obtained in the U.S. in relation with the activity on videoendoscopy (classic and videocapsule). Aymeric Histace and Olivier Romain obtained for a 3-year period the "concours scientifique" status from their institutions (resp. ENSEA and CY) to support the valorization process of the work previously patented.

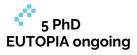




#### **Indicators 2021**







#### **Overview**



Project Manager Lola Cañamero

The international visibility of the unit is very good and has progressed in particular since 2017 as highlighted by the HCERES in 2019. Nevertheless, there is room for improvement. Thus, the ETIS laboratory has a proactive scientific policy to increase its international excellence in its fields of competence and strategic axes.

The international research collaborations are based on AAPs from the tutelles (CYU, ENSEA and CNRS), national (ANR PRCI), European and international programs. In 2021, the laboratory had more than 59 active collaborations.



#### Main activities in 2021

The EUTOPIA European University alliance brings ten European universities aiming to become by 2025 an open, multicultural, confederated operation of connected campuses. In June 2019, the "EUTOPIA-2050" program was chosen as one of the initial 17 winning projects of the new European Universities Initiative competitive call launched by the European Commission to build a European Higher Education Area. EUTOPIA grouped then 6 universities: Vrije Universiteit Brussel, CY Cergy Paris University, University of Gothenburg, University of Ljubljana, Pompeu Fabra University-

Barcelona, The University of Warwick. The EUTOPIA Alliance was recently expanded to encompass a total of 10 regionally and nationally distinct European universities. New members are: Babeş-Bolyai University, Technische Universität Dresden, Ca' Foscari University of Venice, NOVA University Lisbon. Through the EUTOPIA alliance, the laboratory was able to initiate 5 PhD contracts in co-supervising (VUB, Warwick and Pompeu Fabra).

At the international level, actions to bring together IPAL (IRL based in Singapore), whose thematic fields are close to ETIS (in particular artificial intelligence and machine learning with their applications in data science, IoT, human-machine interaction, etc.) were initiated in March 2020. They led to the financing of several doctoral contracts with the financial support of INEX, A\*STAR and NUS. A first PhD was initiated in 2021 (Matthieu Goriot). In parallel, the CNRS delegation of M. Quoy has been accepted in 2021, to join IPAL during the academic year 2021-2022. It will contribute to the rapprochement of ETIS to IPAL.

## **Equality Parity missions**



Project Manager Katerina Tzompanaki

For an INS2I laboratory with a strong emphasis on fundamental and experimental sciences, the laboratory can pride itself on having a strong female component. The reinforcement of the laboratory's human resources is very good and is constantly evolving with a rate of about 33% of women in the unit.

ETIS also has an internationally recognized team of Télécom Girls in the ICI team. This parity policy is the result of constant work initiated several years ago to raise awareness, promote and support female colleagues in science. Our actions are perfectly in line with the CNRS and INS2I policy on gender equality, and must be supported

because there is still considerable room for improvement

The ETIS laboratory has been pursuing a policy of gender equality for several years, in close collaboration with our supervisory bodies and the INS2I Institute, that including:

- o Raise awareness about parity problems in science-related professions, about biases, stereotypes, etc.
- o Promote a spirit of collaboration, respect and tolerance among its members.
- Develop measures to encourage female students to continue in STEM related domains.
- o Accompany and support female researchers after a maternity leave.
- o Reward and promote the work of female researchers.

#### Main activities in 2021

- The Equality-Parity Charter of the ETIS members, written in French, English and Chinese.
- o The book "Femme Scientifiques d'ETIS" (Women in Science at ETIS), and video (to be delivered in October 2022).
- o Participation in events that aim to attract and inspire young girls in digital sciences (e.g., Femmes en Sciences organized by AFNEUS, Fête de la Science).
- Organizing girls-only outings for the Master IISC-SIC students, and permanent and non-permanent members of ETIS (e.g., to the theatrical play: La machine de Turing).
- Supporting the Prix 2021 des Femmes et des Sciences pour CY Alliance https://www.cyu.fr/cy-alliance-remise-du-prix-2021-%C2%AB-des-femmeset-des-sciences-%C2%BB

#### **Communication and valorisation missions**



dissemination, and science popularisation, ETIS researchers are encouraged to communicate about their research results and publications, in coordination with the CNRS, CY Cergy Paris University and ENSEA.

ETIS is involved in several actions related to communication,

The ETIS laboratory participates each year in the national science festival that takes place in October and aims to present research subjects and results a wide audience.

Project Manager Maria Malek

ETIS maintains also a close relationship with the INS2I communication and valorisation services for example, individual interviews with several researchers were organised with the CNRS

communication service with the aim of disseminating their research topics and results.

Moreover, emphasis was placed this year on improving the communication supports of the laboratory (flyer, web site, Kakemono, logo, templates, etc.), where work teams were formed to define these communication supports, the graphic charter was defined in collaboration the Neway Partners company.

#### Main activities in 2021

- The event Futurobot@Cergy Pontoise was organised by the CNRS and ETIS on the 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021: researchers from the Neuro team presented their research topics in the presence of an audience composed by high school students; this involved very interesting exchanges.
- Participation at the "Visites Insolites du CNRS": we welcomed small groups of people who visited the three sites of ETIS (Saint-Matin, Neuville sur Oise, ENSEA) where researchers presented their topics using posters, demonstrations, fun games, and virtual immersion. The presented themes were:
  - o Humanoid robots on the school bench,
  - A laboratory apartment to study noise pollution,
  - 3D Modelling and virtual reality,
  - Smart embedded systems for Health Care platform,
  - Non-cooperative game theory.

#### **Overview**



Project Manager Stéphane Zuckerman

The PhD Student Club (aka graduate student association) aims to promote the integration of PhD students in ETIS and to participate in its scientific life by organizing events and seminars. Stephane Zuckerman, Project Manager, supports the development of the activities.

The Club is managed by a few PhD students from ETIS at ENSEA (Clara Brémond, Théo Serru) and at Saint-Martin (Louis Annabi).

The Club organizes outings or casual online meetings on a regular basis to create interactions between PhD students coming from a different research groups.

Il also holds a Journal Club twice a month, open to the whole lab and whose topic span various research themes at ETIS.

Finally, the club organizes an annual PhD students all-day conference, an opportunity for every PhD student to present his/her work to a large audience in the form of short talks followed by a poster session.

#### Main activities in 2021

In 2021, the Club supported the following activities:

- o Organization of the "Annual Day of PhD" (review of the annual progress)
- Monthly seminar

08/01/2021	Xuan Son Nguyen	Apprentissage profond sur la variété des matrices symétriques définies positives
29/01/2021	Marie-Morgane Paumard	"Ma thèse en vingt minutes : Reconstruire des puzzles archéologiques grâce au deep learning"
26/02/2021	Clara Brémond	"DeblurGAN-v2: Deblurring (Orders-of-Magnitude) Faster and Better"
12/03/2021	Mathieu Goriot	"Génération automatique de texte"
01/04/2021	JDD	Annual evaluation
23/04/2021	Cecilia Tarpau + Ishak Ayad	Deep learning-based artifact suppression for limited-angle tomography

07/05/2021	Louis Regnacq	Tutorial: a computational framework for the design and optimization of peripheral neural interfaces
28/05/2021	Sylvain Coromer	ORB-SLAM : A Versatile and Accurate Monocular SLAM System
11/06/2021	Abdelouafi El Otmani + Trang Lam	L'apprentissage profond appliqué au texte : le cas de l'attribution d'auteur et l'identification de l'ironie
25/06/2021	Alexandre Pitti	How to represent part-whole hierarchies in a neural networks
15/10/2021	Loïc Jezequel	Apprentissage de représentation par méthodes contrastives
19/11/2021	Amine Khelif	Security and privacy in Qi wireless charging
10/12/2021	Veronica Belmega	About fear when speaking in public





#### **General presentation**

The CELL team is a multidisciplinary team in the field of intelligent embedded systems. It brings together academics from the fields of electronics (microelectronics, analog, digital and wave electronics), signal and image processing (computer vision in general) and computer science. The work carried out in the team concerns fundamental subjects related to embedded systems (reliability, energy, reconfigurability, processing under computing resource constraints, non-conventional sensors, communication protocol) embodied through application projects in the fields of health, safety, and communicating systems (IoT, autonomous vehicle).

This particularity leads the team to develop several projects in collaboration with the other teams of the laboratory (embedded ML with the MIDI team, Adéquation Algorithme Architecture for error correcting codes with the ICI team, event-based camera with the Neurocybernetics team) and in connection with experts in the targeted application domains. Thus, the team welcomes several associated researchers or external partners including a PU-PH from the APHP at 100% of its research time, an EC from the University of Glasgow in the field of UWB, and members of the Pôle judiciaire de la gendarmerie nationale (PJGN) located in Pontoise. Since 2019, the team also welcomes associate researchers from CY-Tech (CY Paris Cergy University) and ESIEE-IT.

### Highlights in 2021

#### **Arrivals**

In 2021, the CELL team was joined by several associate researchers following integration of ex-EISTI School of Engineering within CY Tech as part of CY Paris Cergy University (officially created the 1st of January 2021), but also the creation of ESIEE-IT School of Engineering (former ITESCIA and ESIEE Cergy). Thus, plus Nga Nguyen who joined the CELL Team one year later, Juan Angel Lorenzo De Castillo and Sonia Yassa have been associated to the Reconfigurable Architecture axis, Amine Khelif (former PhD in the team) and Petr Dobias from ESIEE-IT have joined the Smart Embedded Systems axis as well as Stefan Borhofen, that moved from MIDI team to CELL team for scientific accordance in terms of research activities. A challenge for the team in 2021 and after is to ensure a good integration of their activities to make them possible to strengthen their scientific track record in articulation with the current activities of CELL first and in a second time to open new research interests in the year to come. In parallel, the team has also welcome new PhD students to strengthen the ongoing projects: Laure ACIN and Alexandre Bordat have joined the non-conventional sensors research activities, Thomas Couppey has started to work on the Interface Tissue/Implant project (funded by ANR and CNRS DEFI SENS and 80 Prime) since 2011 in the context of the pluridisciplinary mission) and Ihab Taleb will work on Security of Smart Grids architecture in isolated areas.

All these new arrivals in the CELL team are a real opportunity for the future activities that will be addressed and for identifying original research projects in the main domain that are Smart, Reliable and Communicating Embedded Systems.

## **Technological platforms**

2021 was also a year where the teams strengthened its platform facilities.

- The plateform "Atelier du mouvement" received multiple fundings from ENSEA, CYU, CNRS and DIM RFSI to have a fully equipped dedicated room at ENSEA. Infrared Camera, Event-Based sensors, UWB radar but also motion caption system, connected carpet, composed the different technical elements that can be used. This platform will be dedicated to movement analysis using non-conventional sensors with the underlying idea of proposing original smart cameras with related data processing schemes for several types of applications including fall detection for elderly people and analysis of the sportive gesture. This platform will be open to external collaboration including companies. It will also be a place to articulate joint work with MIDI and Neurocybernetics teams of ETIS.
- In parallel, an internship took place from September to February (2022) in order to accelerate the work on the IoT platform. Supported by several grants from ENSEA (SRV Call), CY, CNRS (through the intern Tremplin call for proposal), the structuration of the platform will make it possible to apply for more ambitious calls for project and to support the joint work with ICI team (PRCI Eliot among other projects). Juan Angel Lorenzo de Castillo in the context of the TREMPLIN project has joined the project.

## Focus "publications and awards"

In 2021 the team maintained a good level of publication in international journals with 13 items (same as last year). This is an important point since part of the research activity needs a full working demonstrator to be published. We have managed to find a balance between the different aspects of the research activities related to data processing and circuits / embedded systems but also on the considered application areas (health, telecommunication, autonomous vehicle). Representative papers on recent topics of the team, are:

- Frontiers in Neuroscience: Clara Brémond Martin, Camille Simon Chane, Cedric Clouchoux, Aymeric Histace. Recent Trends and Perspectives in Cerebral Organoids Imaging and Analysis.
- International Journal of Parallel Programming: Tongsheng Geng, Marcos Amaris, Stéphane Zuckerman, Alfredo Goldman, Guang R. Gao & Jean-Luc Gaudiot. A Profile-Based Al-Assisted Dynamic Scheduling Approach for Heterogeneous Architectures.
- IEEE Access: S Iloga, A Bordat, J Le Kernec, O Romain, Human Activity Recognition based on acceleration data from smartphones using HMMs.
- BioCAS Conference: Louis Regnacq, Roland Giraud, Arianna Sanabria, Anil Thota, Laure Roversi, Morteza Rouhani, Laura Mcpherson, James Abbas, Ranu Jung, Olivier Romain, Sylvie Renaud, Yannick Bornat, Florian Kolbl, Evaluation of Stimulation Waveforms for Safe and Efficient Peripheral Nervous System Activation

- DFTS conference: M. A. Khelif, J. Lorandel and O. Romain, "Noninvasive I2C Hardware Trojan Attack Vector", in 34th IEEE International Symposium on Defect and Fault Tolerance in VLSI and Nanotechnology Systems.
- Springer Book: Jorge Bernal, Aymeric Histace. Computer-Aided Analysis of Gastrointestinal Videos, Springer International Publishing, 187 p., 2021, 978-3-030-64339-3.

Finally, the last (but not least) highlight for 2021 focuses on the award obtained by Sebastien Thomet (PhD student, CELL team, STMicro) during the 34th IEEE International Symposium on Defect and Fault (DFT) Tolerance in VLSI and Nanotechnology Systems: he was awarded the "Outstanding Student Paper Award" for his contribution entitled "FIRECAP: Fail-Reason Capturing hardware module for a RISC-V based System on a Chip".

## **Transfer and Valorization**

It is also worth mentioning that the team has also maintained its transfer and valorization activities: after the creation of Augmented-Endoscopy Spin off in 2019, the company obtained at the beginning of 2021 a French Tech Emergence grant from BPI jointly with a first raising of external funds (for a total of 150k€). In parallel, two patents were obtained in the U.S. in relation with the activity on videoendoscopy (classic and videocapsule). Aymeric Histace and Olivier Romain obtained for a 3-year period the "concours



scientifique" status from their institutions (resp. ENSEA and CY) to support the valorization process of the work previously patented.

## **KPI of CELL in 2021**

Since March 2019, the team has been organized into three research areas: (i) the "Reconfigurable Trusted Architectures" (RTA) axis, the "Agile Circuit for Telecommunications" (ACT) axis and the "Smart Embedded Systems" (SES) axis. Each of them enables the creation of a core of expertise around a common theme and the organization of interaction at the scientific strategy level of each of them within the team and with the other ETIS teams.

## **Members**

- At the 31 December 2021, the team was composed of the following members:
  - 21.5 permanents
    - 3 Full Professors (1 UCP, 2 ENSEA)
    - 11 Assistant Professor including 3 HDR
    - 5 Associate researchers from ESIEE-IT (2) and CY-Tech (3)
    - 1 PU-PH of the APHP-Saint Antoine Hospital
    - 1, ½ CNRS Engineers
  - o 21 non-permanents:
    - 2 engineers/post-doc
    - 16 PhD students (all types of funding)

## In - Out

## • In:

- o Mohamed Amine Khelif, PhD, MCF ESIEE-IT associated to the ETIS Lab
- o Petr Dobias, PhD, Assistant Professor, ESIEE-IT associated to the ETIS Lab
- o Stefan Bornhofen, PhD, Assistant Professor, CY-Tech, associated to the ETIS Lab
- o Sonia Yassa, PhD, Assistant Professor, CY-Tech, associated to the ETIS Lab
- o Juan Angel Lorenzo De Castillo, CY-Tech, associated to ETIS Lab
- o Pierre Jacob, PhD ATER
- o Laure Acin, PhD Candidate
- o Alexandre Bordat, PhD Candidate
- o Thomas Couppey, PhD Candidate
- o Ihab Taleb, PhD Candidate

## Out:

- o Habiba Lahdhiri, PhD CYU. Now Assistant Professor at ESIEE-Paris
- o Pierre Lecoy, PU CentraleSupélec (retired)

## **New PhD**

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Title
ACIN Laure	SIMON-CHANE HISTACE	ENSEA	ED	23/11/2021	Event-based camera,event-data processing,machine learning,table tennis,movement,tracking
BORDAT Alexandre	ROMAIN DOBIAS	BLUELINEA	CIFRE	01/09/2021	Early estimation of signs of biomechanical failure by non-conventional radar imaging. Applications to robust fall prediction in the elderly.
COUPPEY Thomas	KOLBL FRANCAIS ROMAIN	ESIEE	ED	01/09/2021	Coupling of electrical and electrochemical spectroscopy analyzes for monitoring in-vitro and in-vivo biological environments
TALEB Ihab	NGUYEN	ESILV	H2020-	01/10/2021	Multi-agent modeling for smart grid in island area

## **Ongoing PhD**

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Title
BREMOND	SIMON- CHANE HISTACE CLOUCHOUX	NEOXIA	CIFRE	01/04/2020	Extraction and characterization of 3D shapes for regional quantification of massive data.
DILLEN	GHAFFARI ROMAIN	VUB	EUTOPI A	21/09/2020	Brain-Computer Interface for real-life applications
ELOUARET	ZUCKERMAN KESSAL ROMAIN	VEDECOM	INEX	03/12/2018	Online scheduling of software and hardware tasks for FPGA-based architectures
JAKUPOV	ZEDDINI LONGHI ROMAIN	EXPERTIME	CIFRE	06/04/2020	From knowledge extraction to decision support: combining deep learning and NLP techniques
LEENHARDT	DRAY HISTACE	-	APHP	02/12/2019	Development of automated computer assisted diagnosis tool for small bowel capsule endosocpy.

REGNACQ	KOLBL ROMAIN	ANR	ANR BIOTIF	21/11/2019	Modeling an Design of a focal stimulator for the peripheral nervous system based on non-conventional waveforms.
SERRU	NGUYEN	APSYS	INEX	01/10/2020	Security and Safety of Complex Systems with AltaRica
TALBI	NGUYEN	PJGN	PJGN	1/11/2020	Static Bytecode Analysis and Machine Learning for Backdoor Detection
THOMET	GHAFFARI ROMAIN	ST Micro	CIFRE	06/02/2019	Enhanced Observation Framework for embedded systems exposed to radiations

# **Interteam ongoing PhD**

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Title
ABDELWAHED	PITTI ROMAIN	VEDECOM	CIFRE	18/10/2018	Adaptive Impedance Spectroscopy for Characteristic Extraction and Exploitation of Artificial Skin: Application to Mobile Robotics as autonomous vehicule
BESNIER	PICARD HISTACE	VALEO	CIFRE	21/11/2019	Safety of automotive systems using Machine Learning
COLOMER	CUPERLIER BRESSON ROMAIN	VEDECOM	CIFRE	05/11/2019	Integrated neuro-robotic approaches for autonomous vehicle localisation and navigation.
GIZZINI	HISTACE CHAFII	-	ED – ANR INEX	29/11/2018	Machine learning based channel estimation for high mobility vehicular communications
JEZEQUEL	VU HISTACE	IDEMIA	CIFRE	01/09/2020	Spoof detection by semi-supervised deep learning
SASSI	NGUYEN CHELOUAH	PJGN	PJGN	19/09/2019	Artificial intelligence for intrusion detection via connected objects

## **PhD Defended**

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Date of defended	Length	Title
GIZZINI	HISTACE CHAFII	CY Initiative	Chaire ASIA	01/01/2019	03/12/2021	36 months	Techniques avancées d'estimation linéaire et d'apprentissage profond du canal dans des environnements doublement dispersifs
KHELIF	LORANDEL ROMAIN	IDEMIA, PJGN	R2S	01/10/2017	12/07/2021	45 months	Digital Architecture for Security Flaw Identification: Application to Forensics
LAHDHIRI	LORANDEL BOURDEL	-	INEX	01/11/2017	14/01/2021	38 months	Cognitive RF-NoC for manycore architectures

## **Publications (cf. HAL)**

Ī	Journal Papers	Conferences	National	Dissemination	Book	Chapter	Patent	Thesis	Others
Ī	14	18	1	1 book chapter	1	2	3	3	

# **Publications with others teams of ETIS (cf. HAL)**

Journal Papers	Conferences	National	Dissemination	Book	Chapter	Patent	Thesis	Others

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# New contracts – funding

Name	Sponsor	Туре	PI	Start	Length	Budget	Budget (ETIS)
CIFRE BLULINEA	CNRS	CIFRE	ROMAIN	Delayed	3 years	15 000€	15 000€
HAAP INEX 2021 IPAL/A- STAR	CYU	ANR IDEX + IPAL	ROMAIN	01/01/2021	5 years	1 280 538€	345 000€
INTERFACE	CNRS	Ecole Thématique CNRS	ROMAIN	10/03/2021	9 months	7000€	7000€
AAP INS2I TREMPLIN	CNRS	INS2I	ROMAIN	10/02/2021	10 months	4000€	4000€
FSP PATRIMA BOURSE SIMON- CHANE	CYU	Thesis	SIMON- CHANE / ROMAIN	01/09/2021	1 year	3714€	3714€
HYPER EYE	ENSEA	CONTRAT DOCTORAL	HISTACE / SIMON- CHANE	08/11/2021	36 months	94 621€	94 621€
ATELIER DU MOUVEMENT	ENSEA	DIM RFSI	ROMAIN	28/05/2021	17 months	27 720€	27 720€
PLATEFORME TEST RESEAUX	ENSEA	DIM RFSI	ROMAIN	01/04/2021	3 years	2 100€	2 100€
DOC ASSYST	ENSEA	CONTRAT DE PRESTATION	HISTACE	15/10/2021	4 months	12 000€	12 000€
Caractérisatio n du vivant par impédancemé trie	ENSEA	APPEL SRV	KOLBL	2021	1 year	4 570€	4 570€
SmartGait Atelier du mouvement	ENSEA	APPEL SRV	ROMAIN	2021	1 year	23 980€	23 980€
BIOTRACK	ANR	PRCI	ROMAIN	2021	3 years		

# **Ongoing contracts**

Name	Sponsor	Туре	PI	Start	Length	Budget	Budget (ETIS)
SMARTNET	ENSEA	Contrat de prestation	ROMAIN	01/10/2020	8 months	20 000€	20 000€
NEOXIA	ENSEA	CIFRE	HISTACE	01/04/2020	3 years	45 000€	45 000€
VALEO	ENSEA	CIFRE	HISTACE	04/11/2019	3 years	379 800€	45 000€
QCSP	ENSEA	ANR	GHAFFARI	01/10/2019	4 years	787 608€	80 000€
HAPIVULN	DIM RFSI	Scientific equipment	LORANDEL	15/09/2020	25 months	6822€	6822€
EXPERTIME	ANRT	Thesis CIFRE	ROMAIN	15/03/2020	3 years	45 000€	45 000€
SMARTSTIM	DR15	PRIME80, National Team Project	ROMAIN	12/02/2020	10 months	4 000€	4 000€
SMARTGAIT	DIM RFSI	Platform	ROMAIN	20/12/2020	12 months	27 720€	27 720€

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DEEPTERA	CYU / University of Mauritius	Travel	HISTACE SIMON- CHANE	01/09/2020	12 months	20 000€	20 000€
INEX CARING	PIA	Post-doc	ROMAIN	01/07/2019	2 years	106 000€	106 000€
Reliability	St Microelectr onic	Thesis CIFRE	GHAFFARI	03/12/2018	36 months	52 300€	52 300€
INEX SEEING	PIA	Thesis	KOLBL	01/02/2019	3 years – stopped in 2021	117 500€	117 500€
PHC Alliance	Campus France	Mobility	ROMAIN	21/12/2019	Reported until end 2022	2 400€	2 400€
BioTIF	ABR CRCNS	Thesis	ROMAIN KOLBK	20/03/2019	36 months	178 300€	178 300€
SSA	PIA	Thesis	NGUYEN	1/10/2019	36 months	274 210€	60 000€

# **Scientific Dissemination**

# **Event Organization**

Name	Туре	Role	Involved	Date	Country
GIANA 2021 (in conjunction with MICCAI 2021)	Challenge	Co- Organizer and Co- Chair	HISTACE	September 2021	Virtual
NPC 2021	Conference	Program Chair	ZUCKERMAN	November 2021	France - Hybrid (on- site, virtual)
INTERFACE	Thematic Winter School	Co- Organizer	ROMAIN	December 2021	France (ESIEE)
Medical Image Understanding and Analysis (MIUA) Conference 2021	Conference	Scientific Committee Member	HISTACE	Juilly 2021	UK, Imperial College London
DFM21: 9th International Workshop on Data-Flow Models for Extreme-Scale Systems	Workshop	Chair	ZUCKERMAN	Juillet 2021	Virtual
Congrès de la Société Française d'Optique	Conference	Program committee member	LECOY	Juillet 2021	Dijon, France

# Scientific Expertises in national and international committees in 2021

Name	Role	Involved	NB
GDR SoC2	GT Chair	ROMAIN	
GDR SoC2	GT animation	LORANDEL	
ANR	Vice-Presidence of CES45	HISTACE	"Mathématiques et Sciences du Numérique pour la Biologie et la Santé"

# **PhD** and HDR juries

Name	Туре	Role	Involved	Date	Where
FERREIRA Nicolas	PhD	Reviewer	ROMAIN	06/12/21	Univ Lyon

MASSIN Loic	PhD	President	ROMAIN	26/11/21	IMT Atlantique / UBS
ARZEL Matthieu	HDR	Reviewer	ROMAIN	07/01/21	UBS

## Scientific Mediation (national)

HISTACE / DRAY	Webinaire de la SFED "L'Odyssée de l'Endoscopie"	24/06/21	pour l'analyse en	200 inscrits, gastroentérologues, industriels du domaine, étudiants	Médiation + Séminaire
HISTACE / DRAY	Cycle de séminaires "IA" de la cité scolaire Paul Valéry (Campus IA)			Elèves du lycée Paul Valéry, membres des équipes pédagogiques du lycée.	Médiation

## **New Platform**

2021 has been focused on the development and set up of the Plateforme du Mouvement (see above).

## **Research perspectives for 2022**

2022 will be a particular year for the team (and for the lab) as we will prepare a summer mid-term evaluation of our activities. It will be for the team the opportunity to think about how the members see CELL in 2-3 years to propose several axes of evolution in the way we think we could be structured around scientific questions in close relation with societal issues. The arrival of new colleagues is directly in line with this strategy to help them to integrate the team optimally. Several workshops will happen between March and June to have solid ideas to discuss and implement before the end of 2022. These discussions will also be motivated by the possibility to build a joint project for the team that will be submitted to the next ANR call in the PRME category for instance.

At a short-term perspective, CELL will remain in line with its 3 current research axis in terms of concrete activities and will pursue the objectives of working on projects at the frontier of fundamental research in smart embedded systems and well defined application domain in which the team has developed through the last 10 years expertise and visibility (Health, IoT, Security, etc.). Joint project with other teams of ETIS will also remain an important objective and in parallel, the different technological platforms will be strengthened in terms of equipment and activities with the arrivals of our new colleagues.

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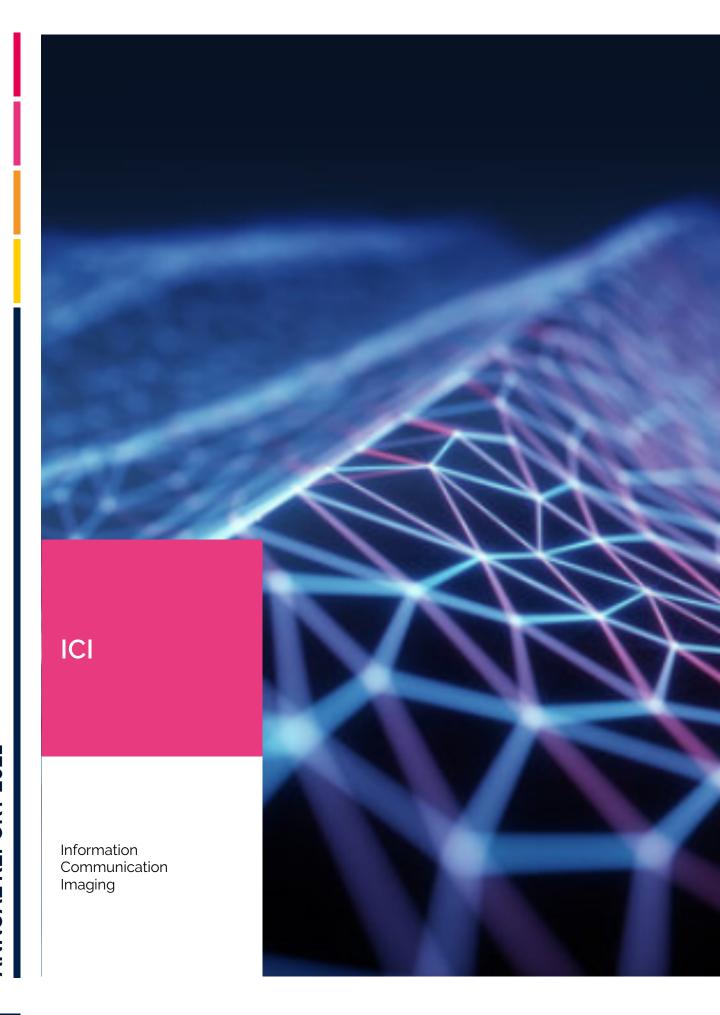
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# **ANNUAL REPORT 2021**



## **General presentation**

The ICI team's research focus is on wireless communications, information theory, signal processing and imaging. The team has the unique characteristic to cover the whole scientific and technical spectrum from fundamental theory to wireless system design as well as specialized signal processing topics in the area of imaging; the profile of the team ICI largely aligns with section 7 of the CNRS but also touches upon aspects of section 6.

There are two main interfaces between the research conducted by the team ICI and other teams in ETIS. First with the team CELL, there are common ongoing works in three topics, namely on Internet of things networks, on coding (LDPC and Polar) and finally on security. Secondly, there are topics on artificial intelligence of common interest with the team MIDI and this aspect could be strengthened in the future.

Overall, the research topics covered by the ICI group lie primarily in the following domain areas:

- Wireless communications, B5G and 6G, including machine learning for communications, resource allocation, low energy / latency, localization, mmWave, IoT, waveform design.
- Security for wireless communications and B5G, including physical layer security, covertness, physical unclonable functions / biometric authentication, lattice and code-based post-quantum cryptography, privacy, intrusion detection in IoT networks.
- Coding and information theory including graph codes (e.g., LDPC), polar codes and lattices, interplay between information theory and game theory, strategic communications.
- Networking and caching, including layer 2 scheduling, energy efficient protocols, enhanced mobile broadband (eMBB) and ultra-reliable low latency communications (URLLC) coexistence.
- Tomography and Emerging Imaging: new concepts, associated inverse problems and artificial intelligence (AI)-based approaches.

The research area of post-quantum cryptography was reinforced with the recruitment of a new lecturer (fixed-term contract), Dr. Kévin Carrier, with a strong background in code-based cryptography.

# Highlights in 2021

The international and national outreach of the team continues to increase as evidenced by:

Inbar Fijalkow was elected as the new President Section 7 of the CoNRS (Section 07 : Sciences de l'information : signaux, images, langues, automatique, robotique, interactions, systèmes intégrés matériel-logiciel https://www.cnrs.fr/comitenational/sections/section.php?sec=07)

- Arsenia Chorti created and chairs the IEEE Physical Layer Security Focus Group, as part of IEEE INGR on Security, with more than 40 internationally renowned academic members and industry partners.
- Mai K. Nguyen-Verger heads the international inter-team activity "Emerging Imaging", between four CNRS laboratories: ETIS-UMR 8051, LPTM-UMR 8089 (Theoretical Physics and Modeling), AGM-UMR 8088 (Geometric Analysis and Modeling) and LMV-UMR 8100 (Mathematics of Versailles) belonging to three institutes (INS2I, INP, INSMI) and the Centro de Matematica Aplicada, Universidad Nacional de San Martin, Buenos Aires, Argentina. This activity involves 8 members (3 PR, 2 MCF, 1 researcher, 2 PhD students), 9 projects and publications of 7 international journal articles, 15 conferences including 6 invitations.
- Veronica Belmega received the Prix 2021 des Femmes et des Sciences of CY Alliance https://www.cyu.fr/cy-alliance-remise-du-prix-2021-%C2%AB-des-femmes-et-des-sciences-%C2%BB
- Participation of the team ICI in the PEPR for 5G, with Arsenia Chorti being CNRS representative for project 6. The team participated in multiple pre-proposals with I. Fijalkow, V. Belmega, I. Andriyanova, L. Luzzi, S. Berri and A. Chorti.

Despite the travel restrictions due to covid, team members managed to host one international guest from Warwick University, Dr. S. Lakshminarayana.

## KPI of ICI in 2021

## **Members**

As of 31st December 2021, the ICI Group has:

- 14 permanent members:
  - o 4 Full Professors
  - o 7 Assistant Professors
  - o 2 Full CNRS Researchers CR
- 19 non-permanent members:
  - o 6 associates (Marwa Chafii, Rachid Chelouah, Astrid Jourdan, Lylia Alouache, Kévin Carrier, Marc Fossorier)
  - 17 PhD Students registered at the ED of CYU and a further 9 registered at other EDs but supervised by ICI members
  - 3 postdocs and ATER

## **Publications**

Journal	Conferenc es	National	Dissemina tion	Book	Chapter	Patent	Thesis	Others
24	28	2		1	3		5	

**Publications with others teams of ETIS** 

Journal Papers	Conferenc es	National	Dissemina tion	Book	Chapter	Patent	Thesis	Others
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# **Ongoing PhD**

15 PhD students are registered with the ED CYU and further 9 PhD students are cosupervised by team members and registered in a different doctoral school.

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Title
ALI	ANDRIYANO VA	ECOBIOH2	ED – ADEME	11/02/2019	Energy-aware Green Data Center Network and Job Scheduling
AYAD	NGUYEN- VERGER	AGM CY	DIM Math INNOV	2021	Apports de l'intelligence artificielle, modélisation mathématique et optimisation en imagerie
BEN ATIA	BELMEGA, SAVARD, NEGREL	IMT Lille ESIEE	ED	21/07/2020	cooPeration, Optimization and arTificial Intelligence for future communicatiONs: interplay between model-based and data-driven approacheS
BELLO	FIJALKOW CHORTI	-	ED	01/11/2019	Meeting delay and security constraints in sixth generation (6G) wireless networks
BOU ROUPHAEL	FIJALKOW LE TREUST	-	INEX - COSA	01/10/2019	Strategic Coordination of Autonomous Devices: Interplay between Information Theory and Game Theory
BOUETTE	WANG LUZZI	-	INEX - PHEBE	01/11/2021	Information and coding-theoretic study of covert communication
DESPORTES	FIJALKOW ANDRY	ECOBIOH2	ED - ADEME	09/10/2018	Learning, Forecasting and optimization of energy supply for a low environmental impact building
EL HASSANI	BELMEGA SAVARD	IMT Lille	ED – ANR Eliot	01/10/2019	Energy-efficient IoT networks
MALEKI	BELMEGA LAKSHMINA RAYANA	WARWICK	EUTOPIA COFUND WALL-EE	11/11/2021	Wide-area Adaptive control in InteLLigent cyber-physical power systems exploiting dEEP reinforcement learning
MOKNI	CHELOUAH NAZIH	-	MESR - Tunisie	01/09/2018	workflow scheduling on cloud-fog computing
BOUSHAMA	CHELOUAH MAACHAOUI	Co-TUTELLE ALGÉRIE	MESR ALGÉRIEN	01/09/2015	Security in ubiquitous networks
REZGUI	FIJALKOW ANDRIYANO VA	-	ED – ANR MUSICO	01/10/2017	Coded Modulations for Optical Communication Under High- Throughput, Latency and Complexity Constraints
ROSSEEL	FIJALKOW SAVIN	CEA	ED - CEA	05/10/2020	POWER EFFICIENT AI-BASED IOT PHYSICAL LAYER
SALIBA	FIJALKOW LUZZI	-	ED - INEX	28/09/2017	Lattice hash functions for secret key generation.
TARPAU	NGUYEN- VERGER DUMAS	UVSQ	DIM Math INNOV Labex MME-DII	01/11/2018	A new modality of Compton Scattering Tomography: concept, modelling and associated inverse problems

# **Interteam ongoing PhD**

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Title
GIZZINI	HISTACE CHAFII	-	ED – ANR INEX	29/11/2018	Machine learning based channel estimation for high mobility vehicular communications

SASSI	NGUYEN CHELOUAH	PJGN	PJGN	19/09/2019	Artificial intelligence for intrusion detection via connected objects
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## **PhD Defended**

Name	Supervisor	Partne r	Туре	Start	Defended	Length	Title
REZGUI	FIJALKOW ANDRIYANOV A	-	ED – ANR MUSICO	01/10/2017	14/12/2021	4 years (includin g maternity leave)	Coded Modulations for Optical Communication Under High- Throughput, Latency and Complexity Constraints
TARPAU	NGUYEN- VERGER DUMAS	UVSQ	ED – Labex MME-DII	01/11/2018	07/12/2021	3 years	A new modality of Compton Scattering Tomography: concept, modelling and associated inverse problems
GIZZINI	HISTACE CHAFII	-	ED – ANR INEX	29/11/2018	03/12/2021	3 years	Techniques avancées d'estimation linéaire et d'apprentissage profond du canal dans des environnements doublement dispersifs
MOKNI	CHELOUAH NAZIH	-	MESR - Tunisie	01/09/2018	16/12/2021	3 years	Ordonnancement des workflows dans Cloud-Fog computing
BOUSHAM A	CHELOUAHM AACHAOUI	Co- TUTEL LE ALGÉRI E	MESR ALGÉRIEN	01/09/2015	02/12/2021	6 years	Confiance dans les réseaux véhiculaires Ad- Hoc.

# **Overview of contracts**

- ANR: 2 with ETIS as leader (1 PRCI, 1 JCJC), 1 with ETIS as participant (1 PRCE)
- 1 PIA3 (ADEME)
- 4 INEX + 1 chaire INEX
- EUTOPIA COFUND: 1 (new)
- 3 DIM (1 new)
- 1 PHC
- 1 DigiCosme

## **New contracts**

Name	Sponsor	Туре	PI	Start	Length	Budget	Budget (ETIS)
AAP INS2I DELICATE	CNRS	INS2I	BERRI	10/02/2021	10 months	8000€	8000€

AYAD	DIM Math INNOV	Thesis	NGUYEN- VERGER	2021	3 years	118.620 € (CY)	-
APPEL SRV	ENSEA	Prof invité	BELMEGA	2021	14 days	2 100€	2 100€
WALL-EE	EUTOPIA	COFUND	BELMEGA	2021	4 years	71k GBP + 9.9k GBP for mobility (Warwick)	-
CEBEIRO	CY Advanced Studies	Prof invité	NGUYEN- VERGER	2021	1 year	2730€	2 730€

# **Ongoing contracts**

Name	Sponsor	Туре	PI	Start	Length	Budget	Budget (ETIS)
POTIONS	ENSEA	CONTRAT DOCTORAL	BELMEGA	01/10/2020	3 years	93 000€	93 000€
PROCOPE 2020-2021	ENSEA	PHC Mobilité france allemagne	CHORTI	01/01/2020	24 months	14 000€	14 000€
CEA TECH	ENSEA	PhD	FIJALKOW	19/10/2020	3 years	0€	0€
SAFEST	ENSEA	DIM RFSI	CHORTI	19/03/2019	2.5 years	27 500€	27 500€
QCSP	ENSEA	ANR	LUZZI	01/10/2019	4 years	787 608€	80 k€ (Cf CELL)
ELIOT	ENSEA	ANR + FAPESP	BELMEGA	01/11/2018	4.5 years	390 420€	390 420€
ECOBIOH2	ENSEA	ADEME	FIJALKOW	17/05/2018	4.5 years	580 149€	457 708€
INEX Lattice hash functions	INEX	Thesis	LUZZI	01/10/2017	3 years and 10 months	112 500€	112 500€
CHAIRE ASIA	ENSEA	INEX AAP CHAIRE	CHAFII	01/09/2018	4 years	216 000€	216 000€
COSI	ANR	PhD	WANG	30/11/2020	42 months	158 220€	158 220€
PHEBE	INEX	PhD	WANG	01/07/2020	4 years	1 919 381 €	391 500 €
Security in Distributed Inference	PHC Maimonide	Travels	WANG	01/10/2019	2 years	130,000 €	64 000€
eNiGMA	INEX	Post-Doc	CHORTI	01/01/2020	2 years	287 137€	112 00€
COSA	INEX	Doctorant Roni Bou Rouphael	Le TREUST	01/10/2019	3 years	403 724 €	117 500 €
ECOMICENE	DigiCosme – INRIA	Thesis	WEIDMANN	01/11/2017	46 months	145 000€	0€
TARPAU	Labex MMEDII et DIM MathInnov	Thesis	NGUYEN- VERGER	01/10/2018	30/09/2021	52 500€ (CY) et 48 600€ (CY)	52 500€ et 48 600€
PHC MAIMONIDE	Campus France	Travels	WANG	27/03/2020	9 months	11 000€	11 000€
MONTUS		Eramus+ Capacity Building	D. LAFFLY (UT2J) JOURDAN	2019	3 years (+1 year Covid)	1M€ (global) 124 995€ (EISTI/CY U)	0€
AXLR	ETIS/LPTM		NGUYEN	2021		10 000€	9 000€

## **Scientific Dissemination**

## **Event Organization**

- S. Reynal organized the regular "Seminaire fil rouge" of the ETIS lab on the theme of security
- A. Chorti organized the Special Sessions "Selected topics on 6G security", IEEE ISWCS, Sep. 2021, Berlin, Germany and "Statistical Methods for IoT", IEEE SSP 2021, Jul. 2021, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

## **Invited Professors**

 Subhash Lakshminarayana from Univ. of Warwick, UK visited V. Belmega (August 23-September 3)

## **Guest and Associate Editors**

- M. Le Treust is an Associate Editor for Security and Privacy, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory (since Oct. 2021)
- L. Wang is an Associate Editor for Shannon Theory, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory (since Oct. 2019).
- A. Chorti is an Associate Editor of the Open Journal of Signal Processing society (OJSP)

## **TPCs**

- V. Belmega was TPC for the conferences IEEE SPAWC, IEEE WCNC, IEEE PIMRC, IEEE 5G World Forum
- I. Fijalkow was TPC for the conferences IEEE WCNC, IEEE Globecom, IEEE ICC
- A. Chorti was TPC for the conferences IEEE WCNC, IEEE Globecom, IEEE ICC

### **Prizes and distinctions**

V. Belmega won the award "Prix CY Alliance: For Women and Science" 2021

## National and local scientific responsibilities

- V. Belmega DUA (Deputy Director) of ETIS
- V. Belmega participated to an Associate Professor hiring committee (CoS) at ESIEE-IT
- A. Chorti was Chair of the IEEE Focus Group on Physical Layer Security
- A. Chorti was a Member of the Comité de Pilotage of Systematic
- A. Chorti was a Member of the Jury des Prix des Theses, ISIS/Gretsi/EEA
- I. Fijalkow was elected President of the Section 7 of CoNRS
- Mai K. Nguyen is Vice-President of the Commission de Recherche and member of the Conseil d'Administration of the club EEA.
- Mai K. Nguyen is a member of the Council of the Institute of Science and Technology (IST), CY Tech, CY Cergy Paris University

## International scientific responsibilities

A. Chorti was an expert evaluator of EPSRC proposals (UK)

- V. Belmega was a research project expert for the S\u00e3o Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP), Brazil
- Mai K. Nhuyen-Verger was project expert for ANR PRCI 2021.

## **Invited Talks**

- Mai K. Nguyen, "Radon transforms on circular arcs and their imaging applications», The 7th international conference "Quasilinear Equations, Inverse Problems and their Applications", Moscow, August 23 to 29, 2021. (Invited Plenary Talk).
- A. Chorti, 46th WWRF 2021, "Towards context aware 6G security, incorporating the PHY", Dec. 2021
- A. Chorti, IEEE UAE Distinguished Seminar Series, "Towards Contex Aware 6G Security: The Role of the Physical Layer", Nov. 2021
- A. Chorti, Tutorial on "Statistical methods in physical layer security", IEEE Statistical Signal Processing (SSP) Workshop, July 2021, Rio de Janeiro, BR
- A. Chorti, Panellist in "Birds of a Feather" IEEE INGR Future Network Security: Challenges & Opportunities Workshop, Panel Session on Future Security, Mar. 2021

## **Research perspectives for 2022**

The ICI group's research focus will continue to be on wireless communications, information theory, signal processing and imaging, opening also up to new topics, indicatively:

- integrated communications and sensing
- semantic communications
- privacy and trustworthiness
- waveform design for 6G
- code-based cryptography, lattice based signatures
- emerging imaging and hybrid representation

## **Publications 2021**

## **Journals**

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- 9. A. Karim Gizzini, M. Chafii, A. Nimr, R. M. Shubair and G. Fettweis, "CNN Aided Weighted Interpolation for Channel Estimation in Vehicular Communications," in IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology, vol. 70, no. 12, pp. 12796-12811, Dec. 2021.
- 10. I. Bizon Franco de Almeida, M. Chafii, A. Nimr and G. Fettweis, "Alternative Chirp Spread Spectrum Techniques for LPWANs," in IEEE Transactions on Green Communications and Networking, vol. 5, no. 4, pp. 1846-1855, Dec. 2021, doi: 10.1109/TGCN.2021.3085477.
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- 2. H. El Hassani, A. Savard, E. V. Belmega, and R. C. de Lamare, "Energy-efficient Cooperative Backscattering Closed-Form Solution for NOMA", IEEE GLOBECOM, Dec. 2021.
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- 4. I. Chafaa, R. Negrel, E.V. Belmega, and M. Debbah, "Federated channel-beam mapping: from sub-6GHz to mmWave", IEEE WCNC, Workshop on Distributed Machine Learning for Future Communications and Networking, Mar. 2021.
- 5. K. Antonakopoulos, E. V. Belmega, and P. Mertikopoulos, "Adaptive extra-gradient method for Min-Max optimization and games", ICLR, 9th Intl. Conf. on Learning Representations Jan. 2021.
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## **General presentation**

The MIDI team (Multimedia Indexing and Data Integration) was created in 2006 with the fusion of two previously existing teams, one working on databases and one working on image processing. The team consists of about a dozen of permanent faculty members (teachers-researchers) and includes the research activity of 2 Research Engineers, members of the Pole Ingénierie in the new organization of ETIS. The team is distributed between ENSEA (3 permanent teachers-researchers), and CY Cergy Paris Université, site St. Martin. With the integration of the EISTI engineering school within CY Cergy Paris Université, effective in 2020, two associated members from EISTI have integrated the team and a new member was recruited by EISTI in 2019 in the MIDI team. Also, a few members of the team are participating to the IDHN research federation, composed by members of ETIS and of several social and human sciences laboratories of CY Ceray Paris Université. The goal of IDHN is to exploit diverse data corpuses (text, social media, multimedia) for various applications in social and human sciences.

The team, which was traditionally working around two distinct axes of research, (1) indexing and searching of multimedia data, and (2) big data management and data analytics, is moving toward a more integrated team. This convergence process is based on the wide adoption of machine learning / artificial intelligence methods for both data engineering and data analytics tasks, but also on the multitude of data modalities that need to be analyzed in modern AI applications ranging from text, images and video to graphs and tabular data. The high-level MIDI research objective is to bridge the gap between two until recently siloed research areas namely data engineering and AI and to study novel data processing and modeling techniques that respect various constraints (e.g., on the fly, fairness-privacy preserving or with a low footprint)?. In this more integrated perspective, the team activity can be divided in three main research areas:

- Data Integration and Analytics for multiple modalities. This includes work on massive data integration, in particular of linked and streaming data, on analysis and mining of social networks, for both the text content and the graph structure, on analysis of mobility and spatiotemporal data, and on the indexing, analysis and content-based search of visual content.
- Distributed, Online and Deep Learning. This includes the design of specific learning methods for data-driven automated decision making, for instance deep learning approaches for computer vision applications, learning for text understanding, graph-based learning and learning for streaming data.
- 3. Responsible Data Science. This corresponds to a new direction of research in the team, toward the interpretability and explainability of machine learning algorithms, to tackle issues such as transparency and fairness of decision making based on this kind of algorithms. It also includes work on data quality and its impact on the results of machine learning algorithms, as well as various issues related to explainability and data privacy in the context of data integration.

To support the work of the team members in the long term, the team has invested in the creation of the following platforms:

- 1. Platform RETIN, which is implementing in one compact way the work of the team around multimedia description and analysis, multimedia classification and indexing and machine learning for multimedia search.
- 2. Platform MIDI cloud, a new platform in the process of becoming operational that allows the team members to push to parallel and distributed architectures parts of their research around top-k queries, graph summarization and data privacy processing. The platform is also hosting several applications in collaborative projects in the field of Cultural Heritage (SoCoRe!, DataH, ESPADON).
- 3. Platform ARAV3D, which is supporting research around acquisition of 3D models and virtual and augmented reality experiments. It is used for experimentation in the areas of 3D modeling, facial recognition, etc.

## Highlight

## **Awards and distinctions**

 BDA 2021 Best Paper Award "On Predictive Explanation of Data Anomalies", Myrtakis, N., Tsamardinos, I., & Christophides, V.

## **Top publications**

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- Xuan Son Nguyen. GeomNet: A Neural Network Based on Riemannian Geometries of SPD Matrix Space and Cholesky Space for 3D Skeleton-Based Interaction Recognition. ICCV 2021: 13359-13369 (hal-03720244) - core A\* journal
- Vasilis Efthymiou, Kostas Stefanidis, Evaggelia Pitoura, Vassilis Christophides. FairER: Entity Resolution With Fairness Constraints. 30th ACM International Conference on Information & Knowledge Management (CIKM '21), Nov 2021, New York, France. (10.1145/3459637.3482105). (hal-03608623) - top core A conference
- Nikolaos Myrtakis, Vassilis Christophides, Eric Simon. A Comparative Evaluation of Anomaly Explanation Algorithms. 24th International Conference on Extending Database Technology (EDBT'2021), Mar 2021, Nicosia, Cyprus. (10.5441/002/edbt.2021.10). (hal-03608624)- top core A conference
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## Successful applications for several projects

- Start of the ESPADON project (PIA/EquipEx+, 8,4 M€), with the WP Data co-led by Dan Vodislav, and the successful application of the MediaPat PhD project, funded by Fondation des Sciences du Patrimoine, focusing on the first steps in the design of the ESPADON data model, functional and system architectures.
- 1 ANR project ProTEXT with principal investigator N. Grozavu transferred to CYU from Paris 13.
- 2 EUTOPIA PhD Co-tutelle fundings: V. Christophides and S. Vu with University of Ljubljana and D. Kotzinos with VUB (2 projects). Industrial collaboration with SAP (V. Christophides).
- Industrial collaboration with SAP (V. Christophides, 50 K€).
- SEQUENCIA, the second spin-off of ETIS, created end of 2020 with SATT Erganeo, is also supported by the CNRS Rise program (June 2021).

## **New members**

Recruitment of a new PR (Nistor Grozavu, PR CYU) and of an MCF (Michele Linardi, MCF CYU, in replacement of Claudia Marinica, left in 2020)

## Synthesis of the research activity in 2021

The activity of the MIDI team continued along the existing projects in the various research areas.

In the area of Data Integration and Analytics for multiple modalities, the work on modelling and mining indoor trajectories, in collaboration with the Louvre (PhD of Alexandros Kontarinis [Phd2]) was finalized and led to a journal publication on the trajectory model [J3]. The work on social network content and graph analysis continued in the field of opinion mining with a study of the evolution of the political opinion during electoral periods [J2] (OpLaDyn project, in collaboration with LPTM at CYU and international partners), a preliminary model for opinion extraction [C5], but also in the area of community detection [J4]. In the field of data integration using knowledge graphs, two results are to be mentioned: a knowledge hypergraph approach applied to earth observation date [J7], and a data-driven solution for an agriculture case study [C3]. Knowledge graphs are also used to propose an original recommendation method for high velocity data streams [J6]. In the field of image indexing, the work on a new featurebased image classification method [C8] was used to propose a new method for automatic image annotation [J5]. In the field of biometric characteristics analysis, methods for fingerprints [J8] and toe prints [C10] have been explored. Moreover, team member lead ongoing work on relational database theory concerning inconsistencies [R1] and four-valued semantics for deductive databases [R2].

In the area of Distributed, Online and Deep Learning, we outline the publication this year in IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (core A\*), of the paper on the PhD work of Diogo Luvizon (ended in 2019), on real-time action recognition in videos [J1]. The work on vehicle identification using deep learning (PhD of Mohamed Dhia Besbes [Phd3]) has been finalized with a presentation of a progressive learning method [Cg]. In this area we should also mention [C10], which introduces a novel method for representing and classifying two-person interactions from 3D skeleton sequences via Gaussian distributions capturing statistics on R n and those on the space of symmetric positive definite (SPD) matrices. Incipient work on learnable triangulation

for 3D reconstruction from images is published in [R3] as well as [R4], and on skeleton-based hand gesture recognition is published in [C7]. Various results on anomaly detection using self-supervision are reported in [C6]. The continuation of the work in the Verspera projects on automatic 3D reconstruction of Chateau de Versailles from ancient plans, with a deep learning-based method for the detection of walls in ancient floor plans [C4]. Last but not least, [C13] [C14] propose efficient scheduling methods of continuous analytics operators over distributed nodes in an Edge/Fog/Cloud architecture for processing on the fly IoT data streams by considering time (latency) constraints.

In the emerging research area of Responsible data science, we outline the work of V.Christophides on entity resolution with fairness constraints [C1], and on anomaly explanation [C2] (with N. Myrtakis), both published in top level conferences. We notice in the same area the defense of the PhD of Emmanouil Katsomallos on the balance between quality and privacy and privacy under preferences for user-generated Big Data [PhD1].

The work in connection with the IDHN federation, besides the new approaches developed in the Verspera project, already mentioned, was completed with a study on French Haute Cuisine analyzed through tweets of awarded Chefs [Ch1].

Several PhD projects have started this year. In the area of distributed, online, and deep Learning, they address auto supervised deep learning for fake detection (N. Larue, cotutelle Eutopia with univ. of Ljubljana) and unsupervised deep learning for object tracking in sports video (T. Senthivel, CIREX contract with PMU). In the area of data integration and analytics for multiple modalities, the projects focus on unsupervised learning for multiview heterogeneous data (X. Qian, ANR), on recommendation systems for affective contexts (Y. Khalafaoui), and on two interdisciplinary topics: automatic structuring of large photographic collections taken on restauration sites, with application to the Notre Dame case (L. Willot, FSP/Notre Dame), modeling and management of augmented heritage objects (A. Stoleru, FSP/Espadon). In the area of responsible data science, we start another interdisciplinary project, on legal issues related to data protection in the context of smart city applications (A. Calvi, cotutelle Eutopia with VUB).

Among the successful applications to various research project calls, we mention the two Eutopia PhD co-tutelle projects, with University of Ljubljana and with VUB, the MediaPat PhD project (A. Stoleru) obtained at the FSP call, the CIREX CYU contract with PMU (PhD T. Senthivel), and the industrial contract with SAP. To be mentioned also, the start of the Espadon project (PIA/Equipex+), where MIDI participates and co-leads the WP Data, and in which context the was obtained the MediaPat FSP project.

## **KPI of MIDI in 2021**

## **Members**

- 13 permanent members (11 members end of 2020)
  - 4 PU: D. Kotzinos (CYU), D. Vodislav (CYU), V. Christophides (ENSEA), N. Grozavu (CYU, arrived in September 2021)
  - o 1 PU Emeritus: D. Laurent (CYU)
  - 5 MCF: T. Jen (CYU), T.T. Dang Ngoc (CYU), A. Tzompanaki (CYU), S. Vu (ENSEA), Xuan Son NGUYEN (ENSEA), M. Linardi (CYU, arrived in September 2021)

- o 1 lecturer-researcher : H. Baazaoui (CYU, CDI arrived in 2019)
- o 1 MCF on contract: W. Swaileh (CYU, CDD arrived in 2019, left in October 2021)
- 28 non-permanent members
  - 4 associated researchers: M. Malek (CYU-EISTI), S. Bornhofen (CYU-EISTI, left to the CELL team in September 2021), N. Priniotakis (CYU), H. Tabia (IBISC UPS)
  - o 20 PhD students
  - o 2 postdoctoral students (Syed Sadaf Ali, Asma Gharbi)
  - o 2 members in contract: 1 ATER (M. Zneika) , 1 IGE (Elmahdi Sadouni, left in September 2021)

## **Publications**

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## **Publications with others teams of ETIS**

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## **Ongoing PhD**

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Title
ATTOLOU	D. Kotzinos / A. Tzompanaki	-	ED	01/10/2020	Explanations for missing recommendations provided by machine learning based recommendation systems
BEN CHARRADA	H. Tabia	AUSY	CIFRE	06/05/2019	3D reconstruction of real environment with deep learning
BEN FARES	N. Grozavu	LORIA	CIFRE	15/07/2021	Unsupervised deep learning of representations for evolutionary data
CALVI	D. Kotzinos, P. de Hert	VUB	Cotutelle EUTOPIA	07/09/2021	Améliorer l'inclusivité des villes intelligentes : réinterpréter l'Analyse d'Impact relative à la Protection des Données dans le cadre du RGPD sous le prisme d'une approche intersectorielle selon le genre.
CHOMEL	V. Chavalerias B. Borzic	PRIME80	ED	14/11/2019	Fake news and information manipulation: how to model the propagation of false information (context, image or video) on several social networks

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KHALAFAOUI	N. Grozavu, B. Matei	ALTECA	CIFRE	01/10/2021	Recommandation de réponse émotionnelle pour les systèmes affectifs sensibles au contexte
KISELEVA	D. Kotzinos, P. de Hert	VUB	Co-tutelle EUTOPIA	01/02/2020	Balancing IA transparency in healthcare with safety and quality
LARUE	V. Christophides / S. Vu	Ljubljana	Cotutelle EUTOPIA	13/10/2021	SADFake : Détection autosupervisée d'anomalies pour le repérage des faux documents (deepFake)
MAHMOUDI	D. Kotzinos, P. Triantafillou	Univ. Warwick	Co-tutelle INEX	01/02/2020	Artificial intelligence and machine learning for the optimisation of Big Data systems
MYRTAKIS	V. Christophides, I. Tsamardinos	Univ. Crète	Co-tutelle	01/02/2021	Nettoyage des données explicables
QIAN	N. Grozavu, M. Clausel	Univ. de Lorraine	ANR	10/11/2021	Apprentissage non-supervisé interprétable de données hétérogènes multivues
ROSSI	R. Chelouah, D. Vodislav	Canton Consulting	Half-time	20/06/2019	Analysis of legal rules in a semantic web environment
ROUSSEAU	D. Kotzinos, D. Camara	PJGN	Collaborat ion	01/01/2020	Identification of weak signals in massive data sets
SENTHIVEL	D. Vodislav / S. Vu, B. Borzic	PMU	CIREX	01/10/2021	Apprentissage Profond Non-Supervisé Temps Réel pour le Suivi Multi-Objets en sport
STOLERU	D. Vodislav, L. de Luca	MAP	FSP	01/12/2021	Développement d'outils de médiation technologique dédiés à la création de l'objet patrimonial augmenté
WILLOT	D. Vodislav, L. de Luca, V. Gouet	MAP, LASTIG	FSP	01/10/2021	Classification automatique d'images photographiques pour le suivi spatio- temporel des chantiers de restauration

# **Interteam ongoing PhD**

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Title
BESNIER	PICARD HISTACE	VALEO	CIFRE	21/11/2019	Safety of automotive systems using Machine Learning
JEZEQUEL	VU HISTACE	IDEMIA	CIFRE	01/09/2020	Spoof detection by semi-supervised deep learning

# **PhD Defended**

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Date of defended	Length	Title
Emmanouil KATSOMALLOS	D. Kotzinos / A. Tzompanaki	-	ED	01/10/2016	13/12/2021		Quality and privacy of user-generated Big Data: algorithms and techniques

Alexandros KONTARINIS	D. Kotzinos, K. Zeitouni, D. Vodislav / C. Marinica	David, Louvre	FSP	01/10/2016	13/12/2021	62	Mining and analysis of enriched trajectories - Application to museum visitor trajectories
Mohamed Dhia BESBES	H. Tabia, B. Ben Hamed	Univ. Sfax	Co- tutelle	19/08/2018	30/06/2021	34	Vehicle identity recognition by deep learning

# **New contracts**

Name	Sponsor	Туре	PI	Start	Length	Budget	Budget (ETIS)
EUTOPIA PhD Co-tutelle N. Larue	CYU/Ljubljana	Thesis	CHRISTOPHID ES, VU	01/10/2021			
EUTOPIA PhD Co-tutelle A. Calvi	CYU/VUB	Thesis	KOTZINOS	01/10/2021			
SAP	ENSEA	Contrat de prestation	CHRISTOPHID ES	15/06/2021	1 year 4 months	50 000€	50 000€
PMU PhD Senthivel	CIREX CYU	PhD	BORZIC, VU		3 years	165 000€	165 000€
PROJET RECHERCHE EMERGENT	ENSEA/SRV	APPEL SRV	CHRISTOPHID ES	2021	1 year	700€	700€
MAP InStoRe	CNRS	DIM	VODISLAV	03/02/2021	8 years	50 000€	50 000€
AAP INS2I ETIS FOR ELLES	CNRS	INS2I	TZOMPANAKI	10/02/2021	10 months	5000€	5000€
FSP 2021 MEDIAPAT	Fondation des Sciences du Patrimoine	PhD	VODISLAV	01/12/2021	3 years	119 600 €	119 600 €
ESPADON	PIA3	Equipex +	VODISLAV	01/11/2021	8 years	8,4 M€	45 000 €

# **Ongoing Contracts**

Name	Sponsor	Туре	PI	Start	Length	Budget	Budget (ETIS)
PJGN	PJGN	PhD	KOTZINOS	01/01/2020	2.7 years	112 000€	80 889€
INEX MUSE MED	INEX	Travels	ZGHAL- BAZAOUI	01/07/2020	2 years	31 000€	31000€

FSP 2020 CLASTER	Fondation des Sciences du Patrimoine	PhD	VODISLAV	01/11/2020 postponed to 01/10/2021	3 years	119 600€	119 600€
BIG DATA / BIGAI	PIA	PhD	KOTZINOS	01/02/2020	36 months	117 500€	117 500€
DforDetection	INEX	Post-Doc	PICARD	1/10/2019	2 years	112 000€	112 000€
SoCoRe!	ANR Flash Science Ouverte	Post-Doc	VODISLAV	01/10/2019	2 years	96 000€	96 000€
MOSCCOW	CNRS 80 PRIME	PhD	BORZIC	01/10/2019	3 years	o€	0€
BDBE	INEX	Post-Doc	KOTZINOS	01/09/2019	2 years	112 000€	112 000€
IDEMIA	ENSEA	CIFRE	VU	01/08/2020	3 years	147 000€	45 000€
AUSY	ENSEA	CIFRE	TABIA	9/05/2019	3 years	481 678€	45 000€
ProTEXT	ANR	PhD	GROZAVU	21/03/2019	3 years	89 348€	89 348€
ANIMA	Horizon2020		KOTZINOS	01/10/2017	4,25 years	7482118€	296000€

## **Scientific Dissemination**

## **Invited Talks/Seminars**

V. Christophides : "Explainable Anomaly Detection", Invited Presentation at the Annual Plenary Workshop of the GDR IA, 1-2 December 2021

## **Event organization**

V. Christophides: Tutorial Chair of the 21st International Conference on Web Engineering (ICWE), Biarritz, France, May 18-21, 2021 (<a href="https://icwe2021.webengineering.org">https://icwe2021.webengineering.org</a>),

## **Program Committee Members**

D. Vodislav: BDA 2021 A.Tzompanaki: EDBT 2021 A.Tzompanaki: ICWE 2021

A.Tzompanaki: BDA 2021 (demonstrations)

A.Tzompanaki: AIML 2021 A.Tzompanaki: DOLAP 2021 A.Tzompanaki: Seadata 2021

## **Steering committees**

- 1. V. Christophides: Member of the EDBT Association (since 2014) and of the Executive Board (since 2019)
- 2. V. Christophides: Member of the Advisory Board of the MADICS Action on Human Explainable machine Learning Pipelines (since 2021)

# **Expert in Scientific Programs**

- 1. V. Christophides: ERC Advanced Grant, Reviewer 2021
- 2. V. Christophides: CY Initiative of Excellence, Fellows-in-Residence Prog. 2021 (Member of the Reviewing Board)
- 3. D. Kotzinos : ERC Starting Grant, Reviewer 2021

## **Local and National Scientific Responsibilities**

- D. Vodislav: Deputy Vice-President for Research, CYU, and Director for Research of CY Tech Engineering School
- D. Vodislav: member of the Scientific Steering Committee of DIM MAP
- D. Vodislav: member of the National Steering Committee of BDA, the French scientific community in the field of Data Management and Applications

## Research perspectives for 2022

The significant evolution in the composition of the MIDI team these last years, with the recruitment of 2 PU and 2 MCF since 2019, will continue in 2022 with the replacement of the last MCF departure from ENSEA. As mentioned, the team strategy is to move towards a more integrated team, with research profiles around new machine learning methods for massive data analysis, encompassing various data modalities, from structured data to text, image and video. In this context, we are interested in exploring machine learning methods for general structures such as graphs, which appear in the analysis of various types of data, including not pre-structured ones.

The team will continue the effort in the field of cultural heritage data management, through various collaborative projects in the framework of the Fondation des Sciences du Patrimoine, in particular in connection with the Espadon project, whose data modeling and management strategy will impact the heritage science community. The team also prepares several applications to the ANR calls, including JCJC for young MCF, that we support in their projects.

We will also continue the effort for applying for EU calls, as already done this year – a special highlight is to be put on the participation of D. Kotzinos to the ERC Synergy project in collaboration with the CYU LERMA lab in astrophysics, whose results are expected in 2022. Also, several projects are in preparation for the local calls of CY Initiative, with a special emphasis on the collaborations in the framework of the Eutopia alliance, already initiated these last years.

Another important objective for 2022 is the start of the collaboration with researchers from Singapore (A\*STAR, NUS), in the context of the IPAL CNRS International Research Laboratory on Artificial Intelligence, in which ETIS becomes a partner. Several contacts and research projects are in progress and will be presented at the SinFra IPAL workshop in June 2022, with the goal of starting co-supervised PhD projects with the Singaporean partners.

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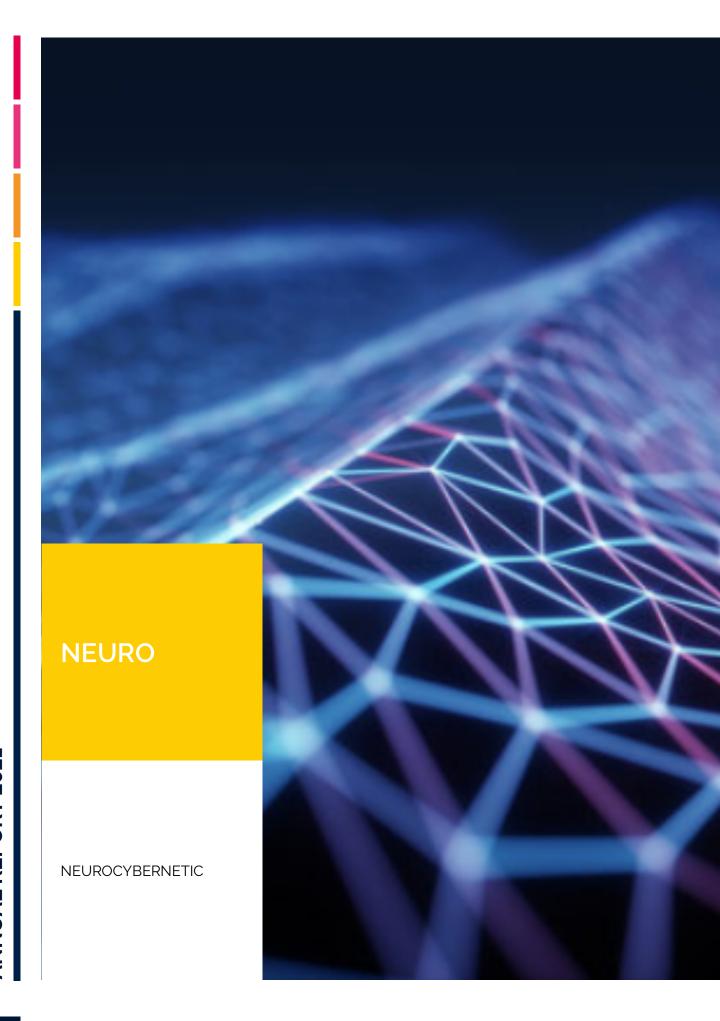
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# **ANNUAL REPORT 2021**



## **General presentation**

The Neurocybernetics team is part of an enactive approach to cognitive sciences. We seek to model a number of cognitive processes ranging from isolated neurons to social interactions. We are interested in understanding what properties can emerge from the different dynamics involved: dynamics of local circuits, dynamics between brain structures, dynamics with the physical but also social environment.

In this framework, robots become a simulation tool for the emerging properties of neural networks. Robotic experiments thus make it possible to show the coherence of the developed models (challenges of integration both at the modelling level and at the technological mastery level with applications for engineering sciences) but especially the limitations of the models used (proof by failure allowing in certain cases to demonstrate the importance of changing paradigm or to show the importance of previously neglected structures).

The NEUROCYBERNETICS team designs bio-inspired Artificial Intelligence (AI) models to understand human intelligence and creates AI and cognitive architectures to make robotic learning more efficient, autonomous and adaptive in social, affective and physical interactions. Themes are cognitive architectures, robotic learning, brain, perception and action modelling, sensorimotor control.

Applications are on autonomous, learning and interactive robots, autonomous vehicles, modelling the brain as a complex system, smart homes, sensors and bio-inspired

We emphasize the importance of the body and action, the enactive approach, to model human intelligence and interact with people.

4 emblematic projects of our team (but not only) are:

- the art-loving Berenson robot
- Neuromimetic architectures for autonomous vehicle navigation
- Neurorobotic modelling for motion generation and motor control learning
- The Sensory Platform of the International Research House

In 2021, the team is organized into two research areas:

- 1. the brain-inspired neural networks architectures for efficient coding, control, perception, and decision making and,
- 2. robots, autonomous vehicles and smart devices for autonomous learning, and multimodal human-machine interactions, perceptually, emotionally. Each of these makes it possible to create a core of expertise around a common theme and to organize the interaction at the scientific strategy level of each of them within the team and with the other ETIS teams.

# NNUAL REPORT 2021

## **Highlights**

- "Une IA qui apprend à parler comme les bébés" vient d'être remarquée par le CNRS: https://ins2i.cnrs.fr/fr/cnrsinfo/une-ia-qui-apprend-parler-commeles-bebes
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# Synthesis of the research activity in 2021

The year 2021 is a transition year. Several international collaborations with thesis grants have been accepted (universities of Brussels, Barcelona, A-STAR Singapore). The construction of a new robot with the purchase of a new Trooper navigation platform (DIM RFSI), a Reachy robot (internal fund 2020), the creation of a new animatronic robot head (internal fund 2021).

Submission of two European EIC Pathfinder Awareness Inside projects (PI Lola Canamero and Alexandre Pitti) and submission of four ANR projects (PI Ghiles Mostafaoui, Laura Cohen, Sofiane Boucenna, Alexandre Pitti), submission of one CNRS-UTokyo project and one CNRS Emergence project.

## **KPI**

## **Members**

At the date of 31th december 2021, the NEURO Group has:

- 13.5 permanent members:
  - o 4 Full Professors
  - 8 MCF including 2 HDR
  - 1.5 CNRS Engineers.

- 11 non-permanent members:
  - o 1 associated member
  - o 13 PhD students including 1 caesura

# **Ongoing PhD**

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Title
ANNABI	PITTI QUOY	FACEBOOK	ED	16/11/2018	Spiking neural architecture based on predictive coding for memory sequences
BERGOIN	QUOY TORCINI	UPF (Barcelone) LPTM	EUTOPIA	01/11/2020	STDP learning in large spiking neural networks
COURSON	QUOY MANOS	LPTM Warwick	MME-DII	01/10/2021	Neural network structure, onset and propagation of epileptic seizures (NetOPES)
ELEY	LAVANDIER KATZ	-	ED – LABEX Patrima	24/09/2019	Virtual Experience in Archaeological Acoustics: Multimodal study of the influence of halls on the playing techniques of musicians on wind instruments in the 17th and 18th centuries in Versailles
GORIOT	PITTI QUOY	IPAL ASTAR	Labex	01/02/2021	Extracting structure from sequences
JU	GAUSSIER	-	INEX	01/10/2018	How our brain code and manage spatial information: Modeling the interactions between the parietal cortex, the retrosplenial cortex and the hippocampal system
REYNAUD	QUOY	-	Professiona I Thesis (Part time)	23/11/2016	Insertion of robots in the world of work
LEMHAOURI	CANAMERO COHEN	VUB	EUTOPIA	01/10/2021	Computational modeling of language learning in robots: the development of meaning potentials in social and emotional contexts
MARCHAL	MOSTAFAOUI	VUB	EUTOPIA	01/10/2021	Embodied intelligence in robotic arms: leveraging human-inspired morphology for intra- and interpersonal coordination

# **Interteam ongoing PhD**

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Title

ABDELWAHED	PITTI ROMAIN	VEDECOM	CIFRE	18/10/2018	Adaptive Impedance Spectroscopy for Characteristic Extraction and Exploitation of Artificial Skin: Application to Mobile Robotics as autonomous vehicule
COLOMER	CUPERLIER BRESSON ROMAIN	VEDECOM	CIFRE	05/11/2019	Integrated neuro-robotic approaches for autonomous vehicle localisation and navigation.

## **PhD Defended**

Name	Supervisor	Partner	Туре	Start	Date of defended	Length	Title
ANNABI	PITTI QUOY	FACEBOOK	CY Fondation	16/11/2018	15/12/2021	36 months	Spiking neural architecture based on predictive coding for memory sequences
Aubin	MARIN Mostafaoui	Euromov	DGA	01/10/2017	09/12/2021	42 months	Entraînement rythmique non- intentionnel et processus attentionnels en Interaction Homme Machine

## **Publications**

Journal Papers	Conferenc es	National	Disseminat ion	Book	Chapter	Patent	Thesis	Others
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# **Publications with others teams of ETIS**

Journal Papers	Conferenc es	National	Disseminat ion	Book	Chapter	Patent	Thesis	Others
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# Contracts

## **New contracts**

Name	Manager	Sponsor	Туре	PI	Start	Length	Budget	Budget (ETIS)
SRV	ENSEA	APPEL SRV	Stage	CANAMER O	Avril/oct.2 021	6 months	4300€	4300€
SRV	ENSEA	APPEL SRV	Stage	BLANCHAR D	Mai/nov 2021	6 months	4500€	4500€
INEX 2021 COMOCA	CYU	EMERGEN CE	INEX	MOSTAFA OUI	01/09/202 1	2 years	110 518€	25 000 €

DIM RFSI Matériel 2020	CNRS	Région IDF	DIM	BLANCHAR D	30/01/202 1	1 year 9 months	33 000€	33 000€
AAP INS2I Social Babbling	CNRS	INS2I	AAP	COHEN	10/02/202 1	10 months	6000€	6000€
SFRI CO TUTELLE UTOPIA CY PhD Larue	CYU	EUTOPIA	Thesis	CANAMER O	01/10/2021	4 years	500 299 €	163 210 €
NetOPES	CYU	Labex MME-DII + ED	Thesis	QUOY	01/10/2021	3 years	114 000€	114 000€
Sciences cognitives	CYU	réseau sciences cog	Internship	QUOY	01/03/202	6 months	4500€	4500€

# **Ongoing contracts**

Name	Manager	Sponsor	Туре	PI	Start	Length	Budget	Budget (ETIS)
DIM RFSI	CNRS	Région	DIM	BOUCENNA	15/09/2020	2 years	58 000€	58 000€
Chaire Neurobot	CYU	INEX	Chaire	QUOY	01/09/2020	5 years	408 990 €	277 000 €
INEX COGNITIVE S	PIA	INEX	Worksho p	GAUSSIER	16/06/2019	4 years	55 000 €	55 000 €
Facebook	CYU	Facebook	Thesis	QUOY PITTI	01/11/2019	3 years	147 000 €	147 000 €
TREMPLIN	CNRS INS2I	CNRS	Worksho p	CUPERLIER	04/2020	1 year	7588 €	7588 €
CENSE	CYU	ANR	Post-doc	LAVANDIER	01/10/2016	5,5 years	855 773 €	69 444 €
ARTEM	CYU	INEA Union Européenn e	workshop	LAVANDIER	01/12/2017	4 years	7.5 M€	4 000 €
ARTEM overheads	CYU	INEA Union Européenn e	workshop	LAVANDIER	01/12/2017	4 years	7.5 M€	18 000 €
ANIMA	CYU	INEA Union Européenn e	Thesis	LAVANDIER	19/09/2017	4 years	7.6M€	174 000 €

ANIMA overheads	CYU	INEA Union Européenn e	Thesis	LAVANDIER	19/09/2017	4 years	7.6 M€	86 680 €
SPACE CODE	CYU	Inex	Thesis	GAUSSIER	01/10/2018	36 months	188 436 €	117 500 €
Cifre THALES	CNRS	THALES	Thesis	GAUSSIER	28/03/2018	3 years	45 000 €	45 000€
ROBOCOL	CNRS	ROBOCOL	Subcontr act	GAUSSIER	26/03/2019	1 year	5 000 €	5 000 €
ROBOCOL	CNRS	ROBOCOL	Subcontr act	GAUSSIER	26/03/202 0	1 year	5000 €	5000€
CIGALE	CYU	DGAC	RTE CORAC	LAVANDIER	18/03/2019	48 months	796 000 €	15 000€
INEX SCIENCES COGNITIVE S	CYU	INEX	workshop	GAUSSIER	16/06/2019	4 years	87 811 €	55 000€
PhD U. Pompeu Fabra Barcelone	CYU	EUTOPIA	Thesis	Quoy	01/11/2020	3 years	119 000 €	59 500 €
PhD	CYU	Labex MME-DII	Thesis	Quoy	01/10/2020	3 years	114 000 €	0€

## **Scientific Dissemination**

## **Invited conference**

- 1. Alexandre Pitti, International Workshop on Embodied Cognition, Cambridge, march 2021.
- 2. Nicolas Cuperlier, workshop SHARC du GT4, 9 juillet 2021
- 3. Nicolas Cuperlier, Séminaire thématique sur la mobilité (tremplin MOVE): 03/06/21, 15/06/21
- 4. Catherine Lavandier Avril 2021 Invitatedto the workshop "Urban Sounds Symposium" organisé par Ghent University (Belgique). Intervention "Post-COVID19, a lasting effect on soundscape?"
- 5. Catherine Lavandier June 2021 Invitated to the workshop "New approaches to mitigate aviation noise impact" organisé à Vienne (Autriche) European project ANIMA. "The use of auralization and visualization tools to engage the airport community".
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## **Event Organization**

- 8. Futurobot @ Cergy organized by the CNRS, CYU and ETIS, 8th october 2021, <u>www.futurobot-cergy.fr</u>
- 9. Animation d'une table ronde sur les Interactions naturelles et intuitives dans la conférence Drôles d'Objets . (https://drolesdobjets20.sciencesconf.org/resource/page/id/10)
- 10. Program committee and chair for the GT8/GT5 of the GDR Robotique: Apprentissage et neurosciences pour l'interaction humain-robot (https://gt5gt82021.sciencesconf.org/)

## **Perspectives for 2022**

Several projects are being prepared for submission in 2022, national and European on the themes of social robotics (EIC Pathfinder, L. Canamero) and developmental robotics (ANR JCJC L. Cohen), robotics and health (ANR Arabica project accepted G. Mostafaoui), international with Singapore IPAL.

The team will continue its national interactions on autonomous vehicles (Vedecom, Expleo) on bio-inspiration (U Nanterre, Collège de France, A Pitti) and international (NUS).

New themes will be developed on ecological robotics and frugal intelligence (ERC project submitted to A Pitti) in line with European and national requirements pushed by the CNRS.

Two new research professors will be recruited for 2022, a junior professor and a permanent staff, Thanos Manos and Marwen Belkaid.

We will continue to seek to have a CNRS researcher and post-docs in our ranks, as well as staff from ENSEA and CYTECH, currently lacking in our team

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