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#### Short bio

Lorenzo Sabattini is an Associate Professor at the Department of Sciences and Methods for Engineering, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy. received his B.Sc. and M.Sc. in Mechatronic Engineering from the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia (Italy) in 2005 and 2007 respectively, and his Ph.D. in Control Systems and Operational Research from the University of Bologna (Italy) in 2012. In 2010 he has been a Visiting Researcher at the University of Maryland, College Park, MD (USA). In 2012 he has been a Postdoctoral Researcher and, from 2012 to 2017, he has been an Assistant Professor, at the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia.

His main research interests include multi-robot systems, decentralized estimation and control, and human interaction with robots and multi-robot systems.

He is one of the founding co-chairs of the IEEE RAS Technical Committee on Multi-Robot Systems: he has served as the corresponding co-chair since its foundation, in 2014.

He has served as a Guest Editor for the Special Issue on Networked Cooperative Autonomous Systems of the IEEE Transactions on Automation Science and Engineering (T-ASE), in 2014. From 2014 to 2016, he has been serving as Associate Editor for IJARS (Topic: Mobile Robots and Multi-Robot Systems). Since 2015, he has been serving as Associate Editor for the IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L). Since 2017, he has been serving as Associate Editor for the IEEE Robotics and Automation Magazine (RA-M). He has been a co-organizer of the International Symposium on Multi-Robot and Multi-Agent Systems (MRS) 2017 and 2019: he has served as Program Chair and Area Chair for the 2017 edition, and as Editor-in-chief for the 2019 edition.

He has been serving as Associate Editor for IEEE ICRA 2015, 2016, and 2018, and IEEE/RSJ IROS 2015, 2016 and 2017. He has been member of the Program Committee of the IRMAS track of ACM/SIGAPP SAC 2015 and 2016, of RSS 2015 and 2017, and of DARS 2016 and 2018.

He co-organized workshops on Multi-Robot Systems at IEEE ICRA 2013, ICRA 2014, IROS 2014, RSS 2015, IROS 2015, IV 2016, ICRA 2016, ICRA 2017 and a workshop on Robotics and Logistics at ERF 2014. He also coorganized the 2016 IEEE RAS Summer School on Multi-Robot Systems.

### Position

Dates

November 2018 – today

Position Main topics Institution	<b>Associate Professor</b> Decentralized control of multi robot systems, and industrial applications of mobile robotics <i>University of Modena and Reggio Emilia</i>
<b>Teaching</b> Dates Course Program Istitution	2011– today <b>Digital Control</b> Master's Degree course in Mechatronic Engineering <i>Department of Engineering Sciences and Methods – DISMI (Reggio Emilia).</i> <i>University of Modena and Reggio Emilia</i>
Education, previous positions and other appointments	
Dates Position Main topics Institution	December 2017 – November 2018 <b>Research fellow (Assegnista di ricerca)</b> Decentralized control of multi robot systems, and industrial applications of mobile robotics <i>University of Modena and Reggio Emilia</i>
Dates Position Main topics Institution	July 2017 – today <b>Affiliated faculty advisor</b> Advisor for the Beeclust Multi-Robot Systems Lab <i>SRM University</i> , Chennai, India
Dates Position Main topics Institution	December 2012 – November 2017 <b>Assistant Professor (Ricercatore)</b> Decentralized control of multi robot systems, and industrial applications of mobile robotics <i>University of Modena and Reggio Emilia</i>
Dates Certificate or diploma	April 2017 Italian National Qualification (Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale, ASN) for the position of Associate Professor
Dates Position Main topics Institution	January 2012 – November 2012 <b>Post–doc research fellow</b> Developments of control algoritms for multi robot systems <i>University of Modena and Reggio Emilia</i>
Dates Certificate or diploma	January 2009 – April 2012 PhD in Control Systems and Operational Research, (financed with schol- arship)
Thesis	Nonlinear Control Strategies for Cooperative Control of Multi–Robot Systems
Main topics Institution	Automation, mobile robotics, multi robot systems Alma Mater Studiorum – <i>University of Bologna</i>
Dates	March 2010 – September 2010

Position	Visiting student
Main topics	Control of multi robot systems, development of distributed coordination algo-
Institution	rithms. Supervisor: Dr. Niknii Chopra University of Maryland, College Park (MD), USA
Dates	April 2008 – December 2008
Position	Research fellow
Main topics	Developments of control algoritms for multi robot systems
Institution	University of Modena and Reggio Emilia
Dates	December 2007
Certificate or diploma	Engineering professional degree
Dates	October 2005 – October 2007
Certificate or diploma	Master's Degree in Mechatronic Engineering
Thesis	Development and experimental validation of algorithms for the formation control of mobile robots (in Italian: Sviluppo e verifica sperimentale di al- goritmi di controllo di formazione per robot mobili)
Mark	110/110 summa cum laude
Institution	University of Modena and Reggio Emilia
Dates	October 2002 – October 2005
Certificate or diploma	Bachelor's Degree in Mechatronic Engineering
Thesis	Development of early warning algorithms to identify the actual gear ratio
	on board and recognition of faults in the related sensors (in Italian: Imple- mentazione di algoritmi early warning di identificazione dei reali rapporti di trasmissione a bordo veicolo e riconoscimento malfunzionamenti della sen- soristica relativa)
Mark	110/110 summa cum laude
Institution	University of Modena and Reggio Emilia
Editorial activity	
Journals	
Date	2017 - Today Accessists Editor for the IEEE Debetics and Automation Managing (DA M)
Date	2017 - today
Duto	Guest Editor for the Special Issue on Multi-Robot and Multi-Agent Systems
	of Autonomous Robots (Springer)
Date	2015 - 2018
	Associate Editor for the IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)
Date	2015 - today
	Review Editor for Frontiers in Robotics and Al
Date	2014 - 2017
	Associate Editor for the International Journal of Advanced Robotic Systems
Date	2014 - 2015
Daie	Lead Guest Editor for the Special Issue on Networked Cooperative Au-
	tonomous System of the IEEE Transactions on Automation Science and En-
	gineering (T-ASE)
Conferences	
Date	2019

	Editor-in-chief for International Symposium on Multi-Robot and Multi-Agent Systems (MRS) 2019
Date	2018
	Associate Editor for IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS) 2018
Date	2017
5.	Program Chair and Area Chair for International Symposium on Multi-Robot and Multi-Agent Systems (MRS) 2017
Date	
Data	Member of the Technical Committee of the NATO Modelling and Simulation for Autonomous Systems Workshop (MESAS) 2017
Date	2017 Accessions Editor for IEEE/DOL International Conference on Intelligent
Date	Robots and Systems (IROS) 2017 2017
Duit	Member of the Program Committee of the Bobotics Science and Systems
Date	(RSS) 2017 2016
Dato	Associate Editor for IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS) 2016
Date	2016
	Member of the Program Committee of the International Symposium on Dis- tributed Autonomous Robotic Systems (DARS) 2016
Date	2016
	Associate Editor for IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automa- tion (ICRA) 2016
Date	2015 March e a faller David and Oracid the fall literation of Marking and Marking
Du	Agent Systems (IRMAS) track of ACM/SIGAPP Symposium on Applied Computing (SAC) 2016
Date	2015 Accessions Editor for IEEE/DOL International Conference on Intelligent
Date	Robots and Systems (IROS) 2015 2015
Dato	Associate Editor for IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automa-
	tion (ICRA) 2015
Date	2015
	Member of the Program Committee of the Robotics Science and Systems (RSS) 2015
Date	2014
	Member of the Program Committee of the Intelligent Robotics and Multi- Agent Systems (IRMAS) track of ACM/SIGAPP Symposium on Applied Computing (SAC) 2015
Organization of scientific events	
Data	2010
Dale	Co-organizer and Editor-in-chief of the International Symposium on Multi- Robot and Multi-Agent Systems (MRS)
Date	2018
<b>_</b>	Co-organizer of the ICRA 2018 Workshop WORKMATE: the WORKplace is better with intelligent, collaborative, robot MATEs
Date	2017
Dato	Co-organizer and Program Chair of the International Symposium on Multi- Robot and Multi-Agent Systems (MRS)
Dale	

	Co-organizer of the ICRA 2017 Workshop Human Multi-Robot Systems In- teraction
Date	2016 Co-organizer of the IEEE RAS Summer School on Multi-Robot Systems
Date	2016
Date	Co-organizer of the ICRA 2016 Workshop Fielded multi-robot systems oper- ating on land, sea, and air 2016
Duit	Co-organizer of the IV 2016 Workshop Cooperative autonomous intelligent vehicles are advanced robotic systems of systems: current trends and challenges
Date	2015 Co-organizer of the IROS 2015 Workshop Cooperative vehicles and robotic systems for industrial applications
Date	2015
	Co-organizer of the RSS 2015 Workshop Principles of Multi-Robot Systems
Date	2014
Data	Co-organizer of the IROS 2014 Workshop The future of multiple-robot re- search and its multiple identities
Date	Co-organizer of the ICRA 2014 Workshop Crossing the Reality Gap: Con- trol, Human Interaction and Cloud Technology for Multi- and Many- Robot Systems
Date	2014 Co-organizer of the ERE 2014 Workshop Advanced Robetics for Industrial
Date	Logistics 2013
	Co-organizer of the ICRA 2013 Workshop Crossing the Reality Gap - From Single to Multi- to Many Robot Systems
Projects funded by public and institutions	
Date	2017 - 2019
Project title Bole	Maintenance and Control of Distributed Robot and Sensor Networks Scientific coordinator for the Italian unit
Funding	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy and Ministry of International Relations, Quebec, Canada
Description	The project <i>Maintenance and Control of Distributed Robot and Sensor Networks</i> has been funded by the ministries of international relationships of Italy and Quebec, with the aim of developing methodologies in the field of decentralized control of multi-robot networks. The project consortium is composed by the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia (coordinator: Dr. Lorenzo Sabattini) and by the Polytechnic of Montreal (coordinator: Dr. Giovanni Beltrame).
Date	2013 - 2015
Project title	Algorithms for keeping connectivity and communication efficiency in ad hoc networks of multi-robotic systems
Role Funding	Scientific coordinator for the UNIMORE local unit
Description	The project Algorithms for keeping connectivity and communication effi- ciency in ad hoc networks of multi-robotic systems has been funded by the Brazilian institution FAPESP, to create a collaboration between the Instituto Tecnológico de Aeronáutica (Brazil) and the University of Modena and Reg- gio Emilia (Italy). The coordinator of the project is Prof. Carlos Henrique Costa Ribeiro.

Acknowledgements	
Date	<ul> <li>2018</li> <li>I have been awarded with the "Fabrizio Flacco" Young Author Best Paper Award of the Italian Chapter of the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society for my paper</li> <li>A. Gasparri, L. Sabattini, and G. Ulivi. <i>Bounded control law for global con- nectivity maintenance in cooperative multi-robot systems</i>. IEEE Transactions</li> </ul>
Date	on Robotics, 33(3):700-717, June 2017 2018 My paper M. Minelli, M. Kaufmann, J. Panerati, C. Ghedini, G. Beltrame, and L. Sabat- tini. <i>Stop, think, and roll: Online gain optimization for resilient multi- robot topologies.</i> In Proceedings of the International Symposium on Distributed Autonomous Robotic Systems (DARS), Boulder, CO, USA, oct. 2018 has been selected as finalist for the DARS 2018 Best Paper Award
Date	2018 The technical committee on Multi-robot System, for which I am serving as the corresponding co-chair, has been awarded with the IEEE RAS most techni- cal committee award 2018
Date	2017 I have been recipient of the FFABR (Fondo per il finanziamento delle attivitá base di ricerca) fund, from the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research, awarded based on the scientific production in the period 2012- 2016
Date	2017 I have been elevated to the grade of Senior Member of the IEEE
Service for scientific societies	
Date	2014 - Today L. Sabattini is one of the founders, together with A. Franchi (LAAS-CNRS, France) and N. Ayanian (Univ. of Southern California, USA) of the Techni- cal Committee on Multi-Robot Systems, within the IEEE Robotics and Au- tomation Society. Since its foundation, he is serving as the Corresponding Co-Chair
Memberships of scientific societies	
Date	2018 Member of the Nomination Committee of the IEEE RAS Award for Most Ac- tive Technical Committee (2019)
Date	2017 - Today Senior Member, IEEE
Date	2014 - Today Funding Co-Chair, and Corresponding Co-Chair, IEEE/RAS Technical Com- mittee on Multi-Robot Systems
Date	2012 - 2017 Member, IEEE/RAS Technical Committee on Networked Robots
Date	2008 - Today Member, IEEE
Date	2008 - Today Member, IEEE Robotics and Automation Society (RAS)
Date	2008 - Today Member, IEEE Control System Society (CSS)

Date Date Date Scientific publications	2014 - Today Member, IFAC Technical Committee 4.3 Robotics 2016 - Today Member, IFAC Technical Committee 4.5 Human Machine Systems 2015 Member of the Triennial Review Committee for the Technical Committees of the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society
International journals	<ul> <li>[1] K. Khateri, M. Pourgholi, M. Montazeri, and L. Sabattini. A comparison between decentralized local and global methods for connectivity maintenance of multi-robot networks. <i>IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters</i>, 2019</li> <li>[8] F. Boem, L. Sabattini, and C. Secchi. Decentralized state estimation for the control of network systems. <i>Journal of the Franklin Institute</i>, 356(2):860–882, January 2019</li> <li>[2] J. Panerati, M. Minelli, C. Ghedini, L. Meyer, M. Kaufmann, L. Sabattini, and G. Beltrame. Robust connectivity maintenance for fallible robots. <i>Autonomous Robots</i>, 2018</li> <li>[3] C. Talignani Landi, V. Villani, F. Ferraguti, L. Sabattini, C. Secchi, and C. Fantuzzi. Relieving operators' workload: Towards affective robotics in industrial scenarios. <i>Mechatronics</i>, 54:144–154, oct. 2018</li> <li>[4] L. Sabattini, V. Digani, M. A. Hsieh, and C. Secchi. Coordination of multiple AGVs: a quadratic optimization method. <i>Autonomous Robots</i>, 2018</li> <li>[5] L. Sabattini, C. Secchi, B. Capelli, and C. Fantuzzi. Passivity preserving force scaling for enhanced teleoperation of multi-robot systems. <i>IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters</i>, 3(3):1925–1932, 2018</li> <li>[6] C. Ghedini, C. H. C. Ribeiro, and L. Sabattini. Toward efficient adaptive ad-hoc multi-robot setwork topologies. <i>A Hoc Networks</i>, 74:57 – 70, 2018</li> <li>[7] Valeria Villani, Lorenzo Sabattini, Julia N. Czerniak, Alexander Mertens, and Cesare Fantuzzi. MATE robots simplifying my work: The benefits and socioethical implications. <i>IEEE Robotics Automation Magazine</i>, 25(1):37–45, March 2018</li> <li>[9] L. Sabattini, C. Secchi, and C. Fantuzzi. Multi-robot systems implementing complex behaviors under time-varying topologies. <i>European Journal of Control</i>, 38:73–87, Nov. 2017</li> <li>[10] Cinara Ghedini, Carlos Ribeiro, and Lorenzo Sabattini. Toward fault-tolerant multi-robot networks. <i>Networks</i>, 70(4):388–400, 2017</li> <li>[11] L. Sabattini, M. Aikio, P. Beinschob, M. Boehning, E. Cardarelli, V. Digani, A. Krengel, M. Magnani, S.</li></ul>

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