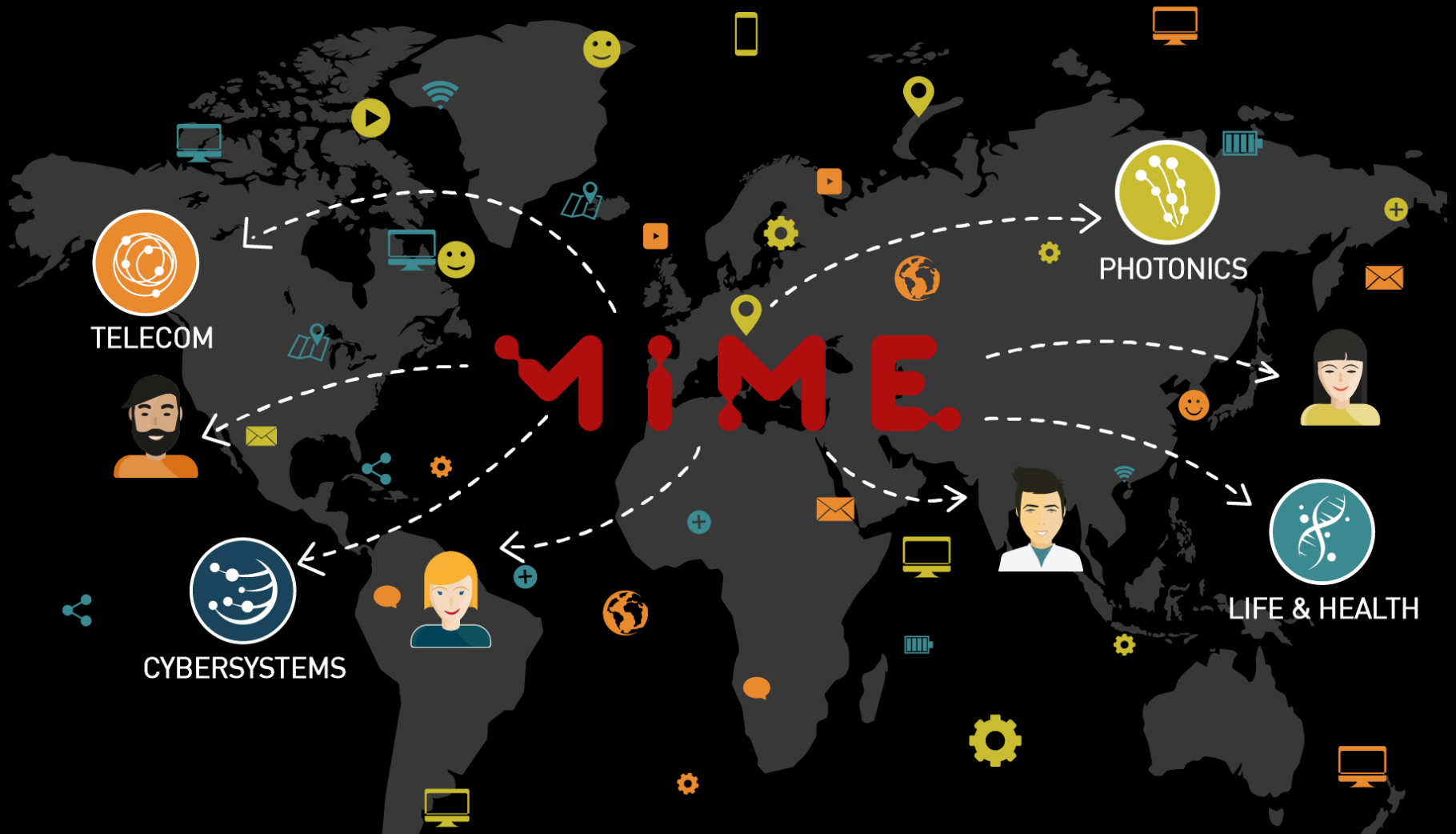
Master ICT for Internet and multimedia engineering



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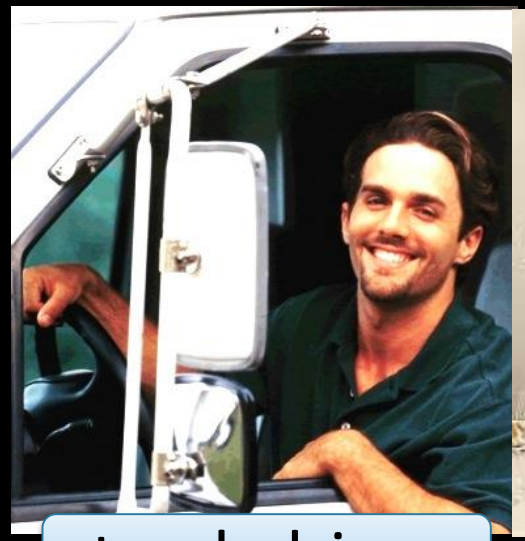
ICT for Internet and multimedia

Do you just “transport” information?

Some will tell you that studying ICT just means becoming a “carrier” of information

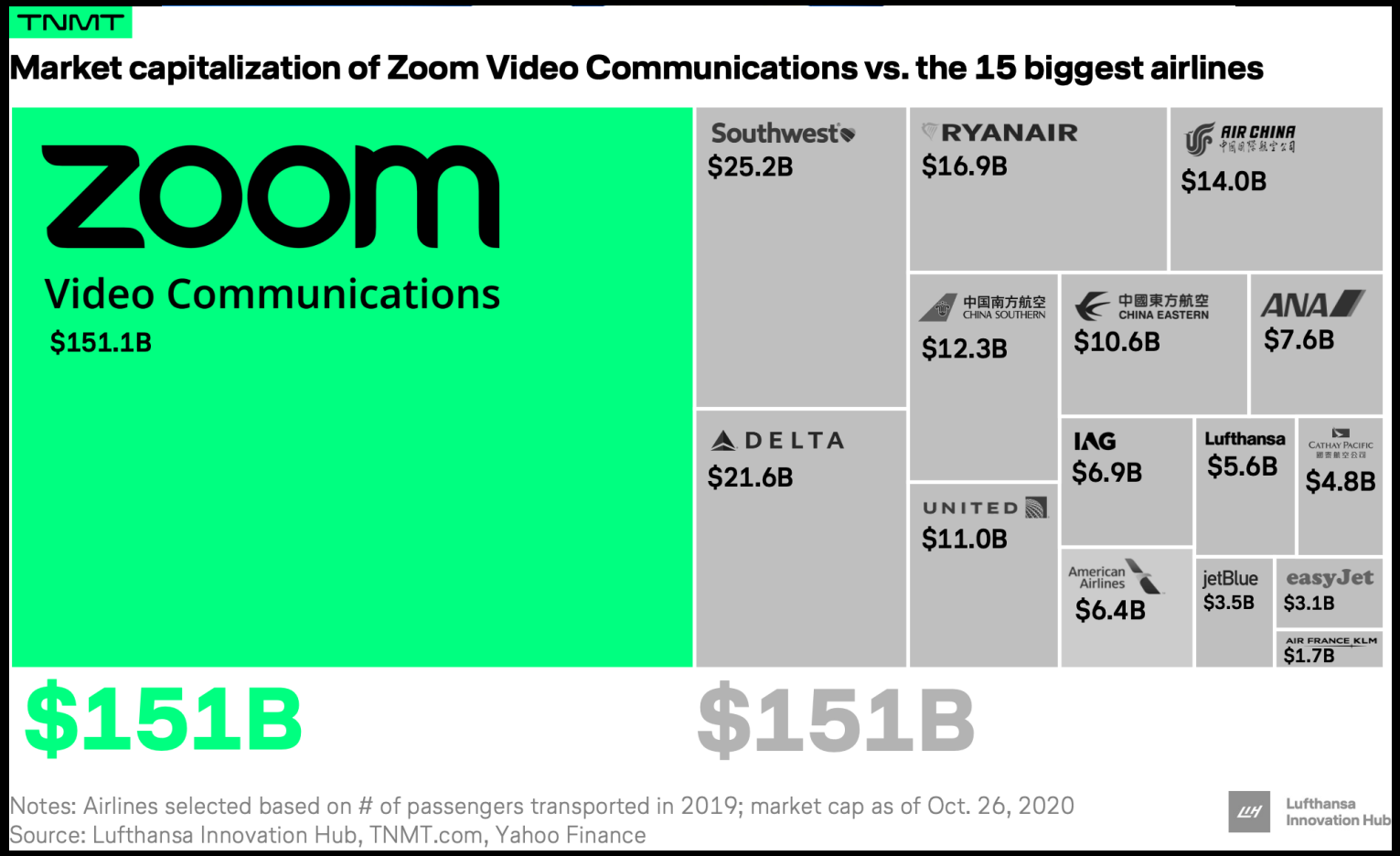


truck driver

waiter

or... ??

How much is “transport” worth?



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Overview

What is ICT?

- Acronym of
  Information and Communication Technology :
  systems (both hardware and software) for transmitting, sharing, and processing information

Why Internet and multimedia?

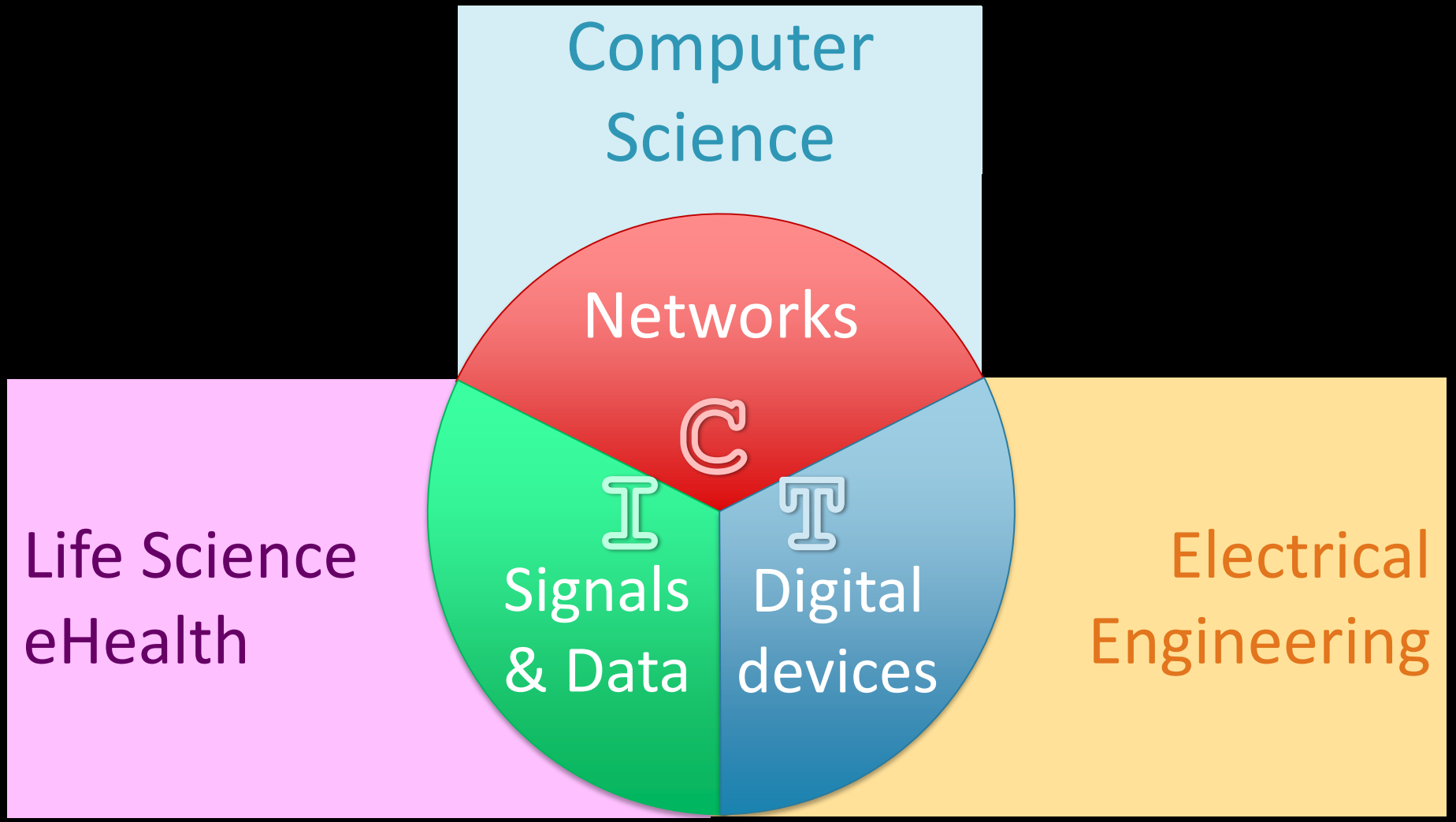
Internet
is the biggest and most widely used telecommunication system in the entire planet

Nowadays $\simeq$ 50% world population is connected → still wide margins for growth

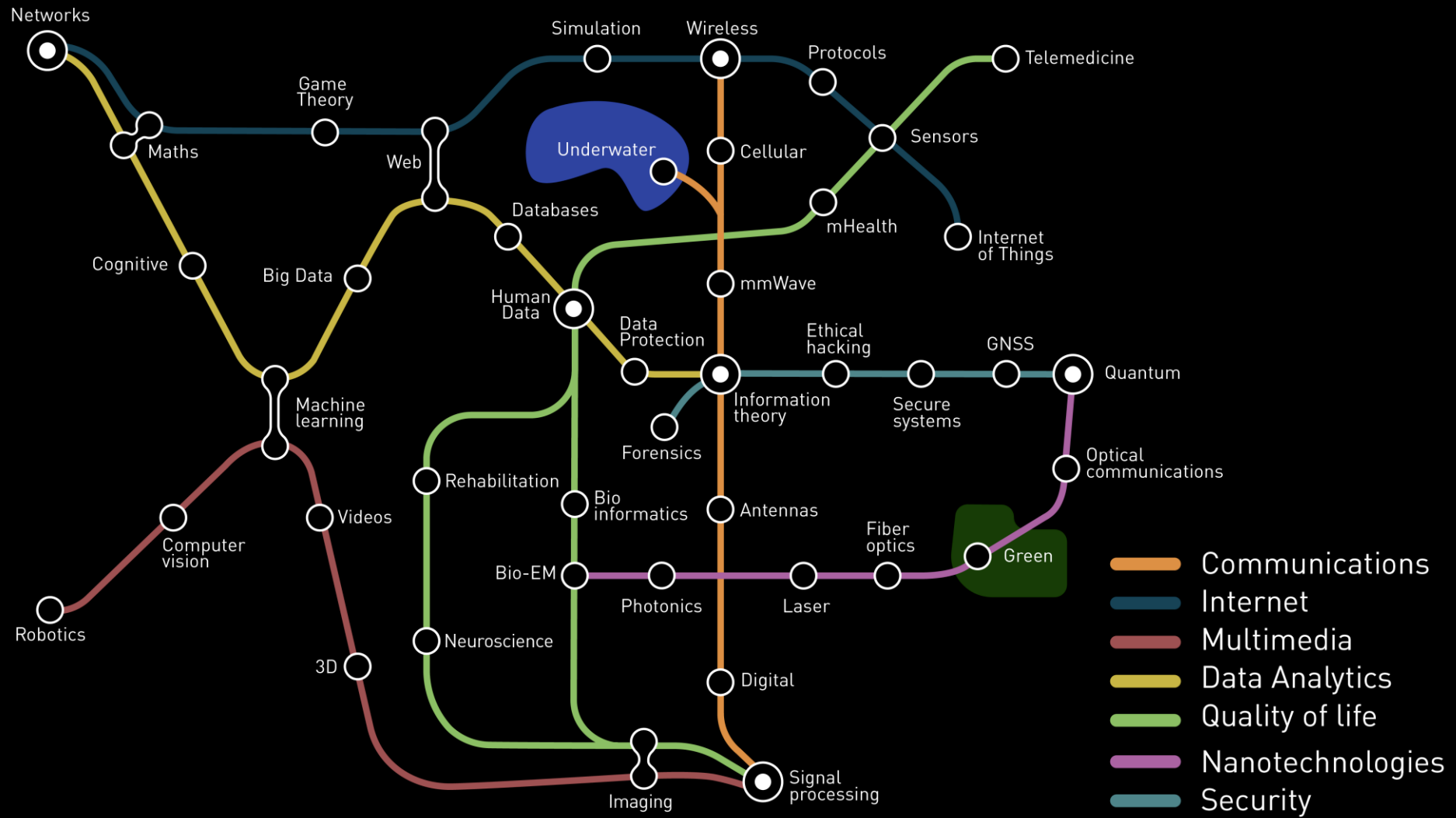
Why Internet and multimedia?

- **Multimedia** = multiple information sources
- Also multiple ways to communicate
  (Text, Video, Audio, Augmented reality...)
- The majority of Internet traffic is multimedia!

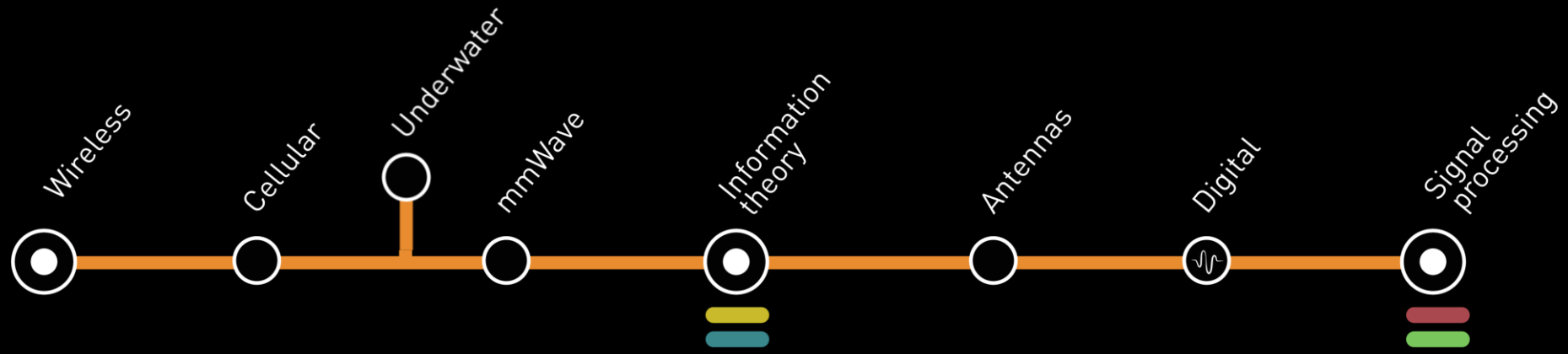
ICT: cornerstone of the Digital Era



MIME transit map



Communications route



Classical and revolutionary transmission techniques

Communications route

5G networks

broadband, low latency connectivity

access through stations: Cellular, mmWave

Massive MIMO

really many transmitting units

access through stations: Antennas, Inf.Theory

Acoustic communications

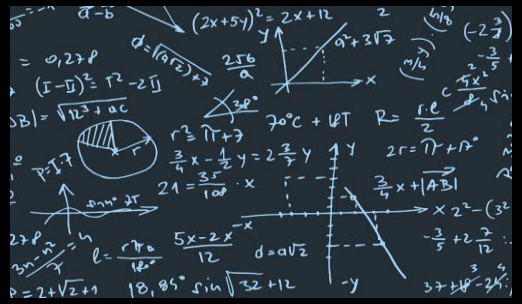
marine monitoring and networking

access through station: Underwater

Internet route

Software applications through the entire protocol stack

Internet route



Mathematical models

understanding and designing the Internet

access through station: Maths

Cognitive and Software-defined

intelligence brought in the interconnection

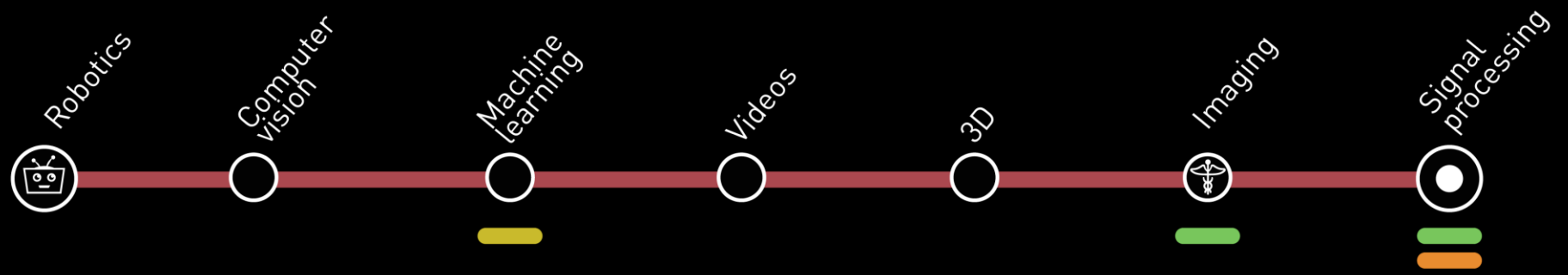
access through stations: Networks, Game Theory

Smart cities

ubiquitous networking for public services

access through station: Internet of Things

Multimedia route



Multidimensional contents for data-hungry systems

Multimedia route

Immersive reality

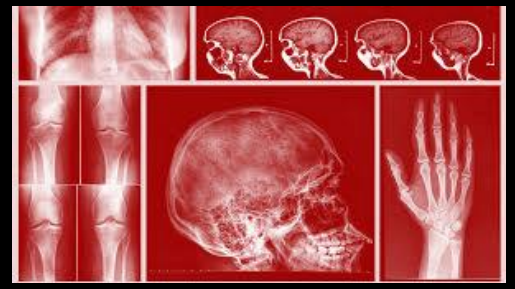
Delivering a full multimedia experience

access through station: 3D

Digital perception

Eyes, ears, brains of robots or autonomous cars

access through station: Computer vision



Medical signal processing

Advanced diagnosis and treatment

access through station: Imaging

Data analytics route

Systematic ways to extract knowledge from data

Data analytics route

Distributed data management

Querying the cloud from everywhere

access through station: Web

Biometrics

The human body as the sensing field

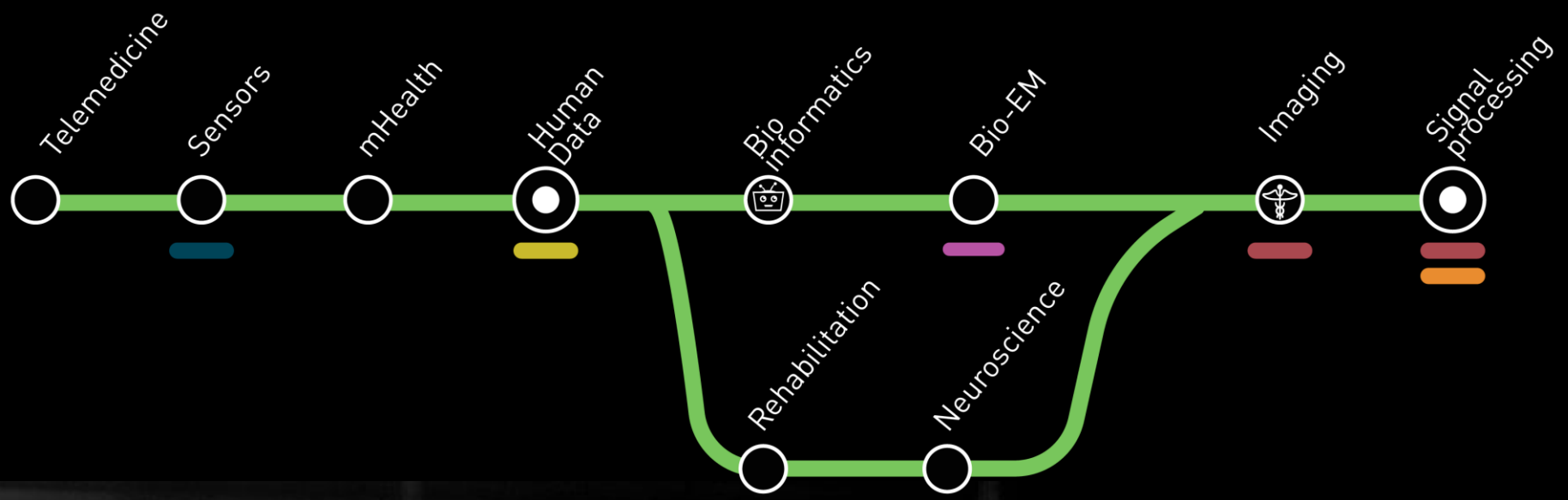
access through station: Human data

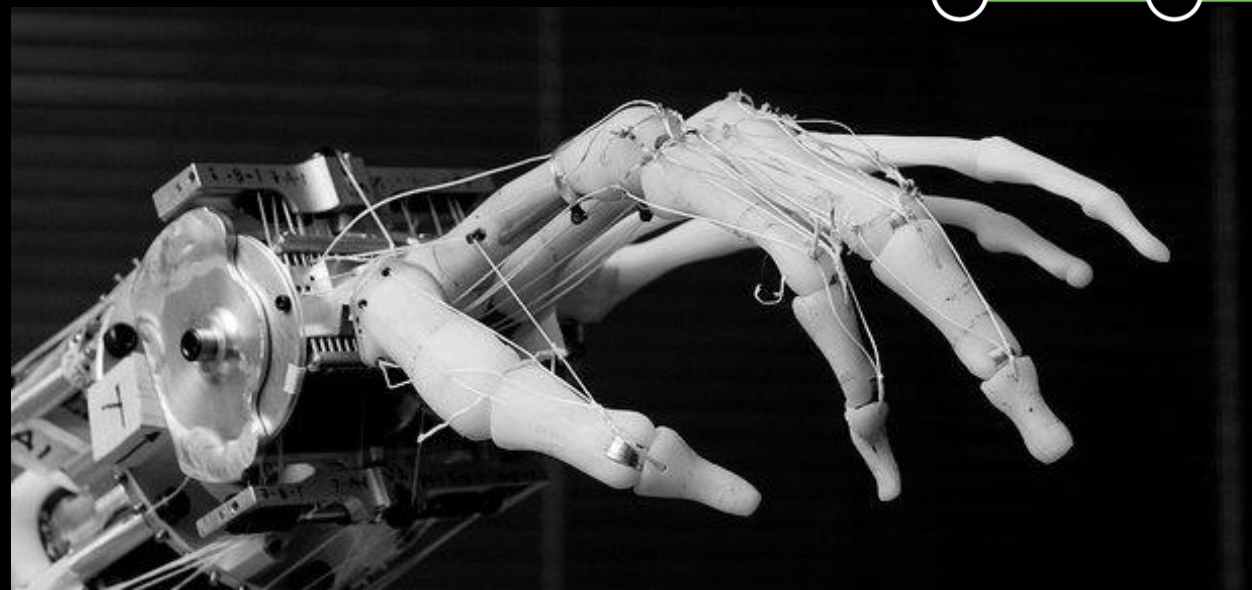
Deep learning

Unsupervised artificial intelligence

access through station: Machine learning

Quality of life route





IT expertise for medical care and mHealth scenarios

Quality of life route

Digital health

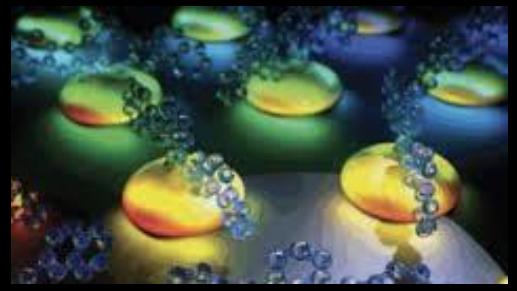
Real-time communication for medical apps

access through station: Telemedicine

Brain computer interfaces

Neural training against degeneration

access through: Neuroscience, Rehabilitation

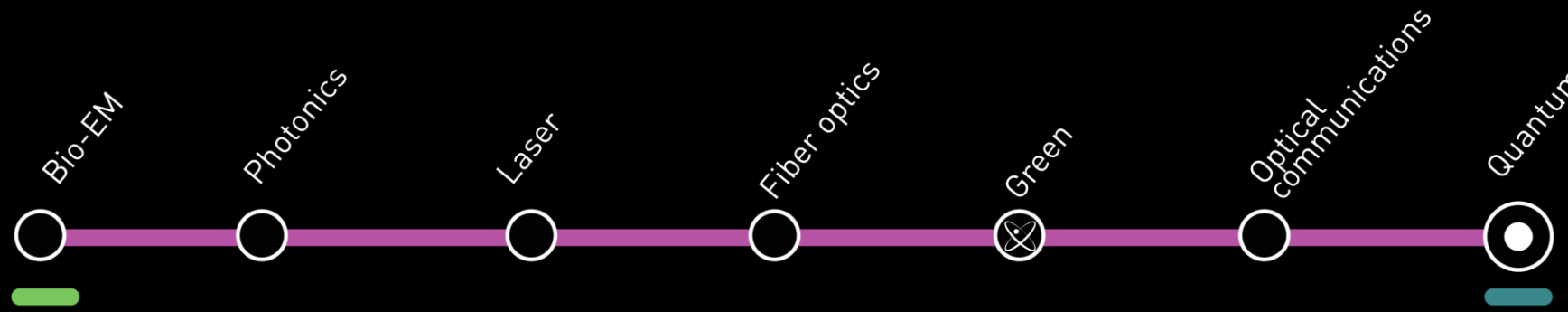


Molecular photonics

Non-invasive monitoring and diagnostics

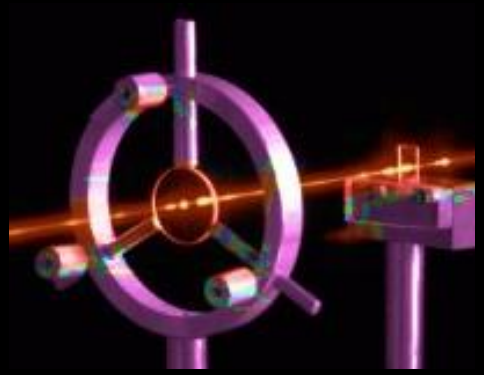
access through station: Bio-EM

Nanotechnologies route



Reach nanoscale to communicate at the speed of light

Nanotechnologies route



Photonic sensing

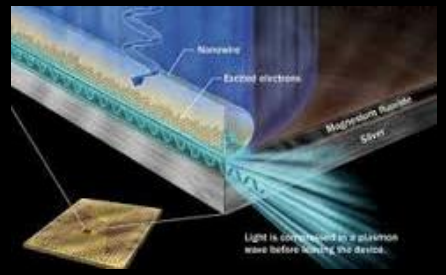
Monitoring through dielectric coupling

access through station: Fiber optics

Renewable energies

Smart exploitation of natural energy sources

access through station: Green

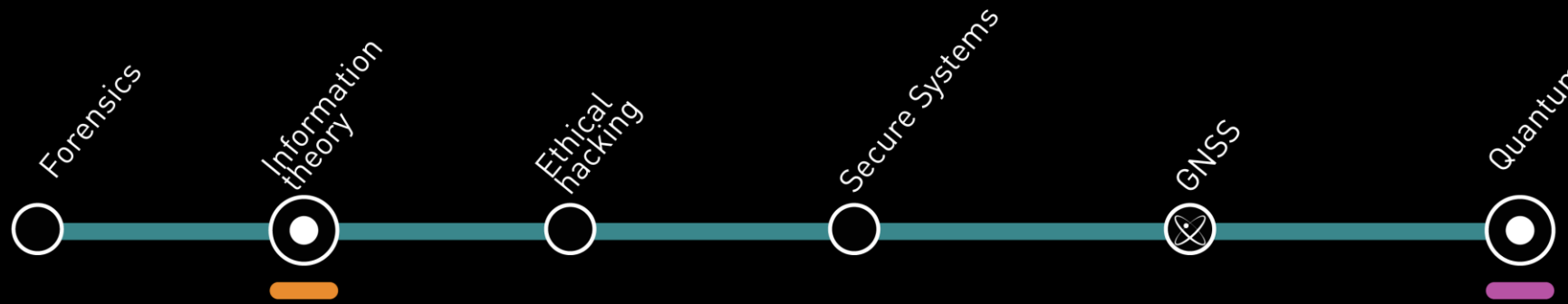


Plasmonics

Electron/photon coupling to go beyond λ

access through station: Photonics

Security route



Ensure privacy and data protection for cybersecure systems

Security route

Secure satellite positioning

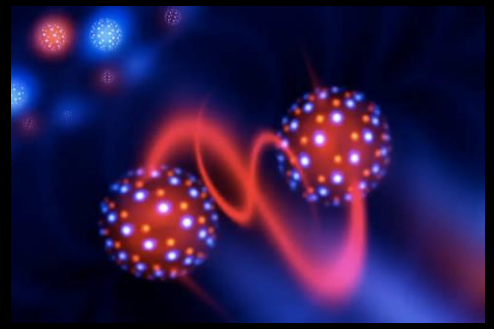
Preventing localization and navigation forging

access through station: GNSS

Digital crime fighting

Detecting false media and documents

access through station: Forensics



Quantum cryptography

Ultimate security through quantum physics

access through station: Quantum

To sum up

- **Innovative scientific topics** at the edge of new research horizons
- **Matching all tastes** from highly mathematical to applied and hands-on
- **Interconnecting disciplines** with a planned path (we don’t just do “a bunch of cool stuff”)

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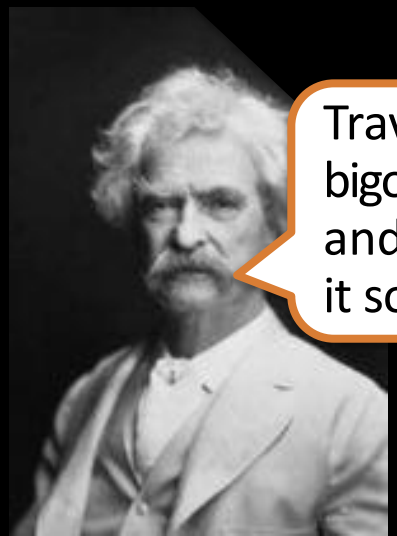
International priority

International by design



Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrow-mindedness, and many of our people need it sorely on these accounts

Mark Twain

MIME

completely in English

with many international opportunities

Fully taught in English

- No English test required beforehand
- But you must understand (basic) English

Incoming students

ICT for Internet and Multimedia is one of the largest International Masters @ UniPD

- Last year 74 international students enrolled
- This year:
  - 144 admitted already
  - applications are closed, but still being evaluated

Erasmus+

destinations

	3
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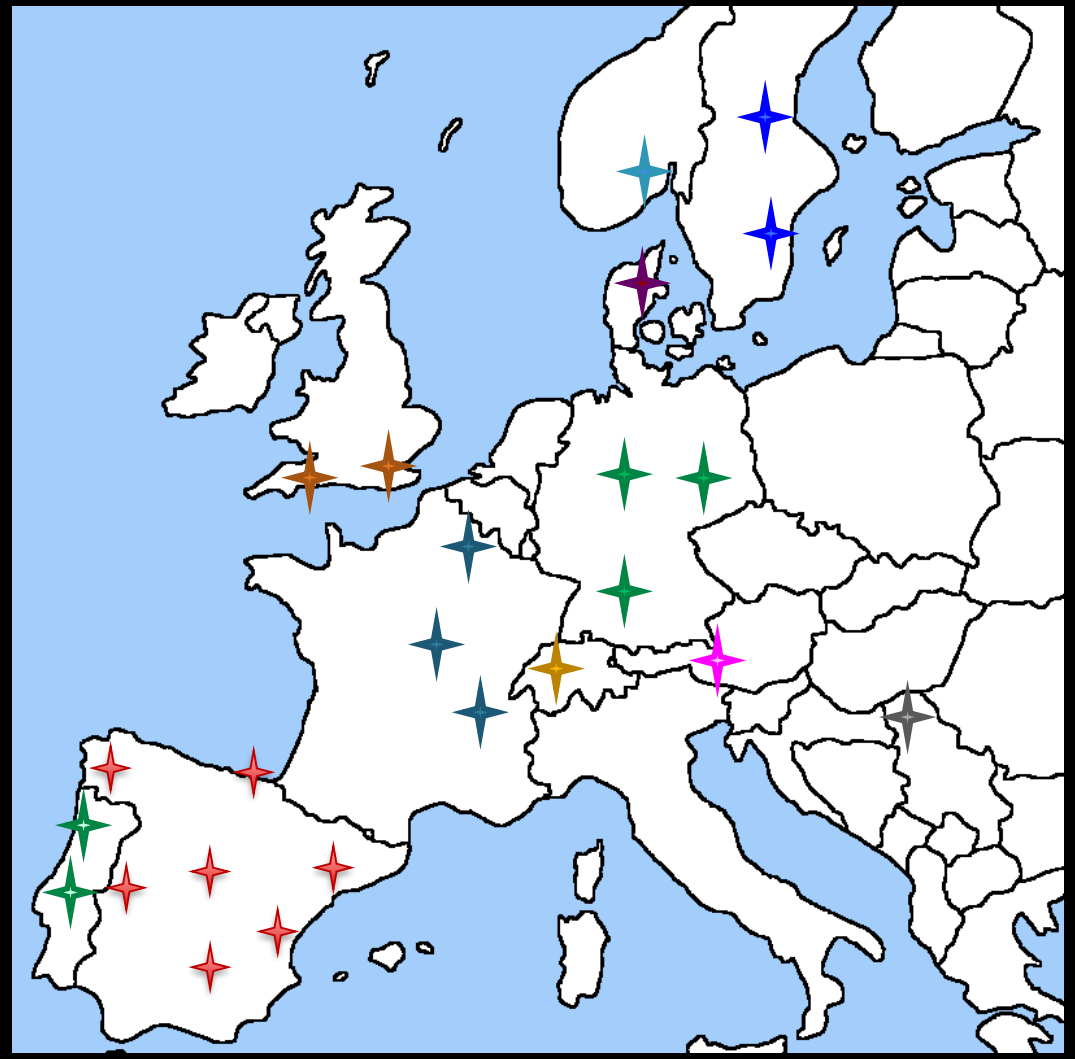
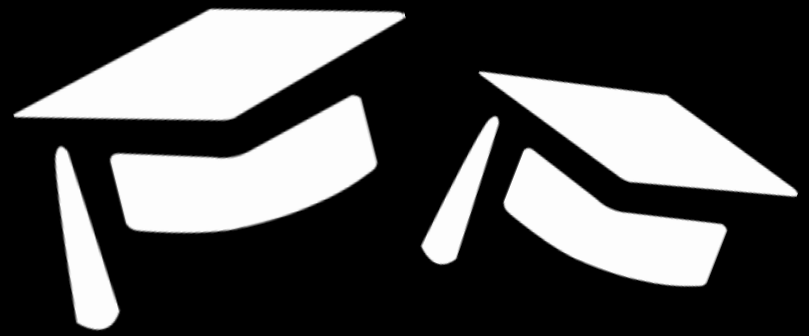
	1 (KA107)
	1 (SEMP)
	8 (incl. Canary)

and counting...



Double degrees



International agreements of Double Degree with top-ranked universities worldwide:

- National Taiwan University (2 positions)
- Universidad Politecnica de Madrid (2 positions)
- more agreements (France, Finland) in preparation

Compared to similar programs (e.g., TIME)
you still get 2 degrees, but in ~2 years, not 3

DD: how does it work?

- Apply halfway through 1st year → must earn 60 ECTS in Padova by September
- If selected, spend the 2nd year abroad
- Final thesis done and discussed abroad before a joint committee, also valid for Italian degree
- Supporting scholarship (more than Erasmus) for a period = min(graduation, 24 months)

MIME

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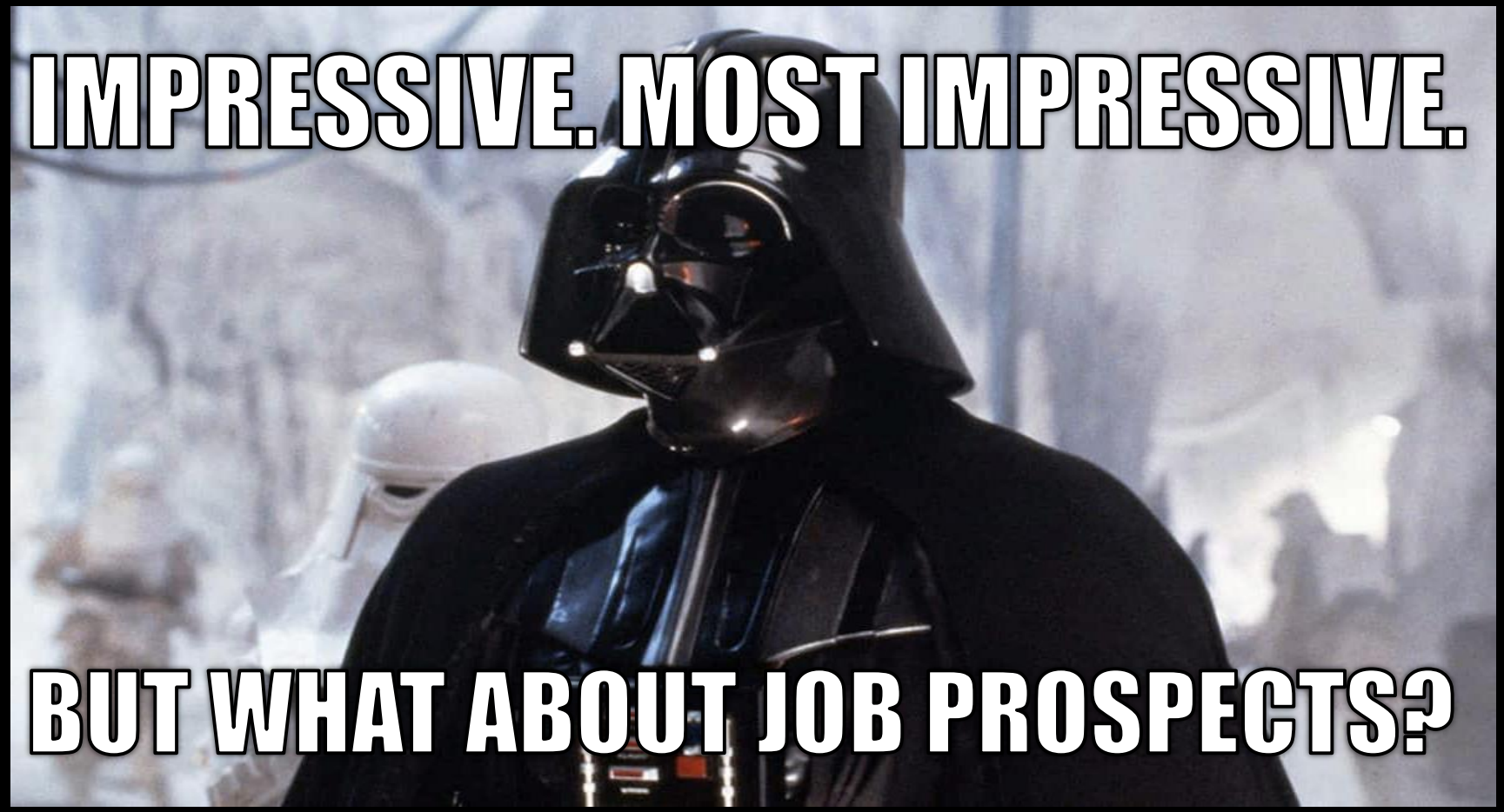
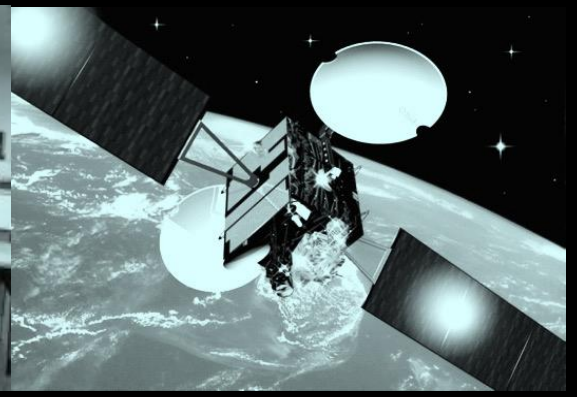
Job market


IMPRESSIVE. MOST IMPRESSIVE.
BUT WHAT ABOUT JOB PROSPECTS?

A **double track** for the job market

Enterprises working on ICT

from hardware to software,
access/transport/application



Enterprises working using ICT

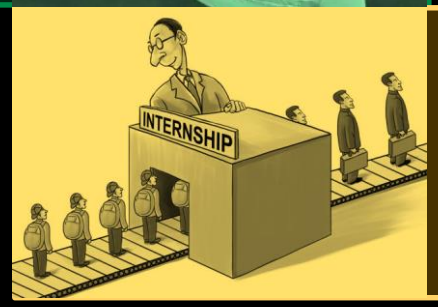
networking, data analytics,
security, energy efficiency

Job market

Local and global enterprises

Abroad for education or work

R&D at universities or research centers



Internship options

Monthly salary after 1 year

Graduates of 2018

source: XXI survey

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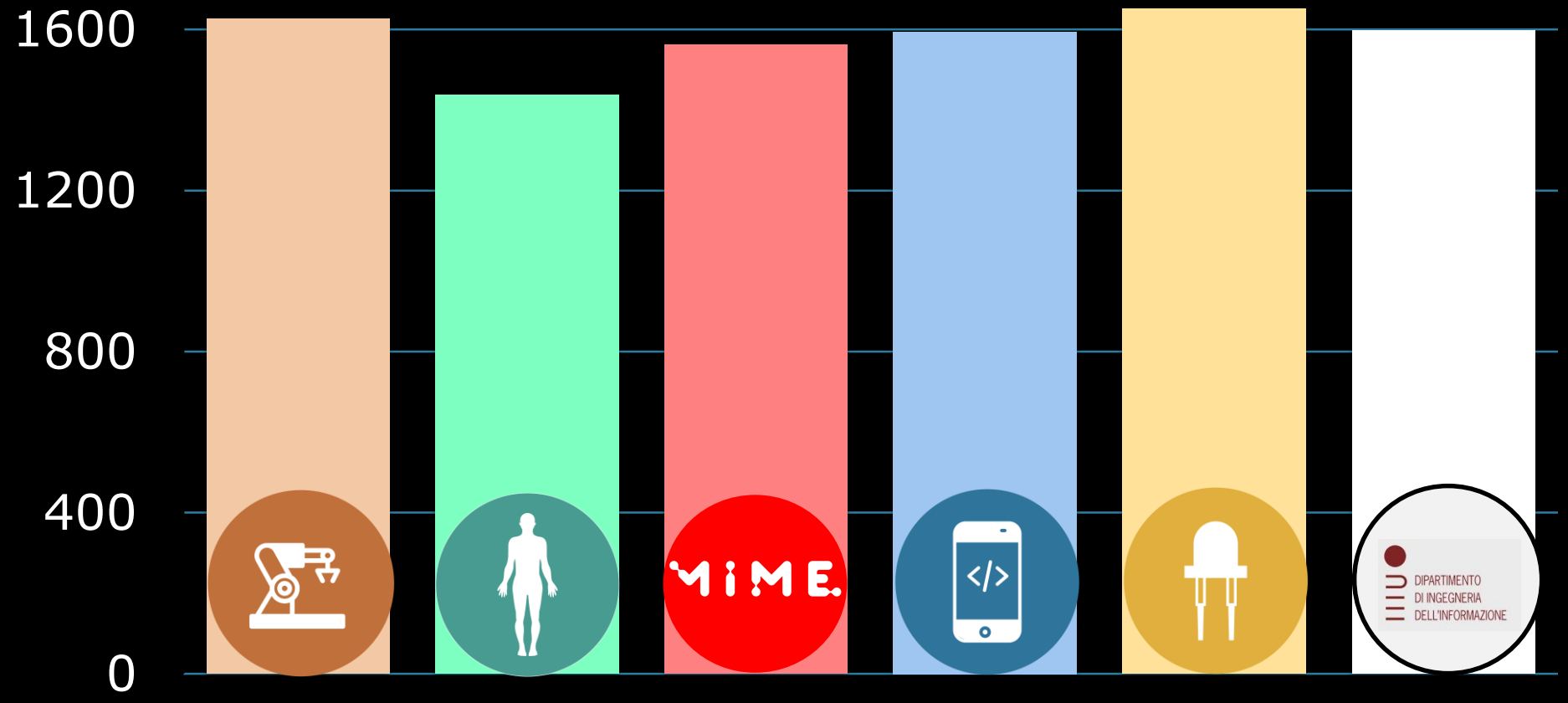

Employment rate after 1 year

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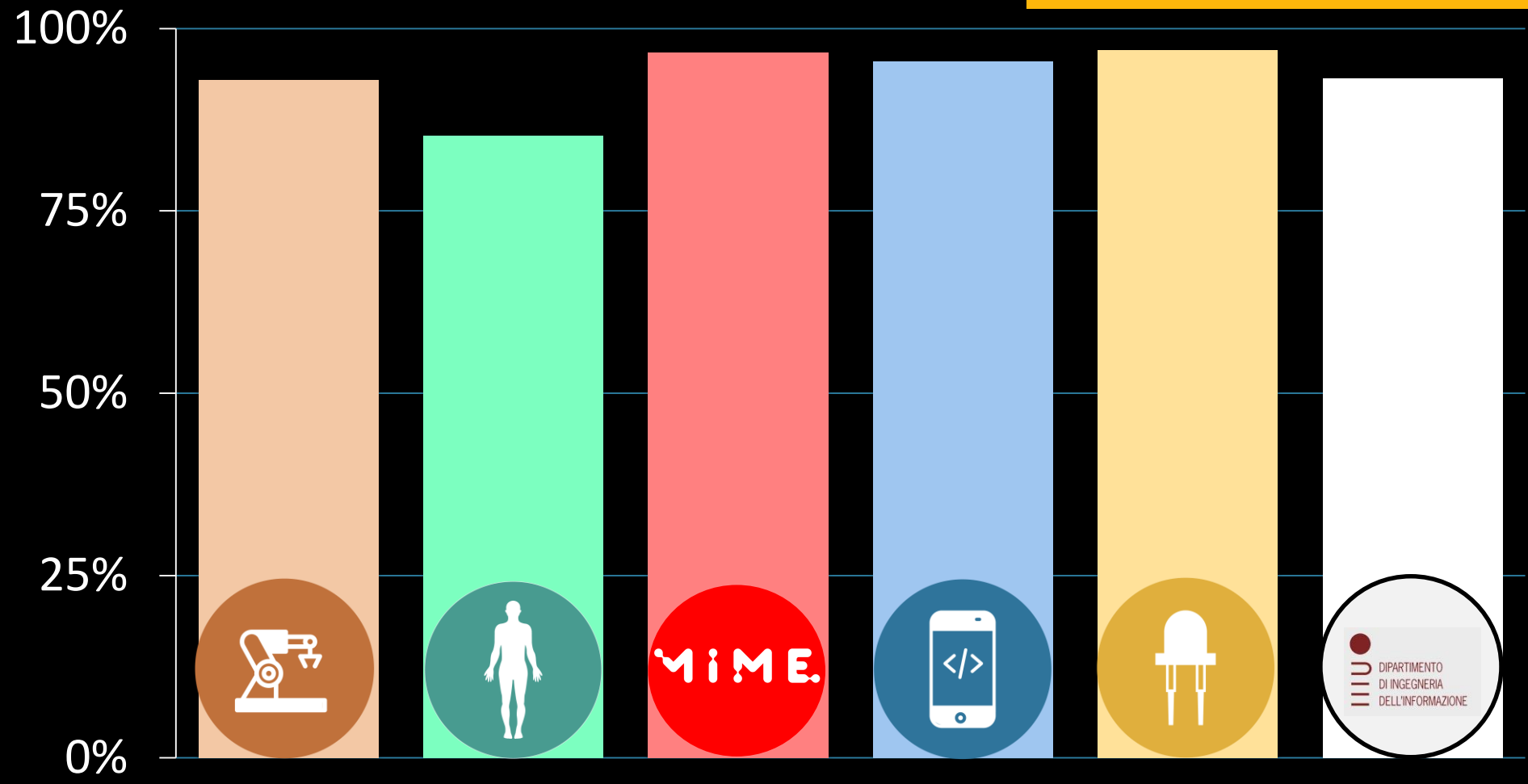

Satisfaction rate about the program

(yes = light, no = dark)

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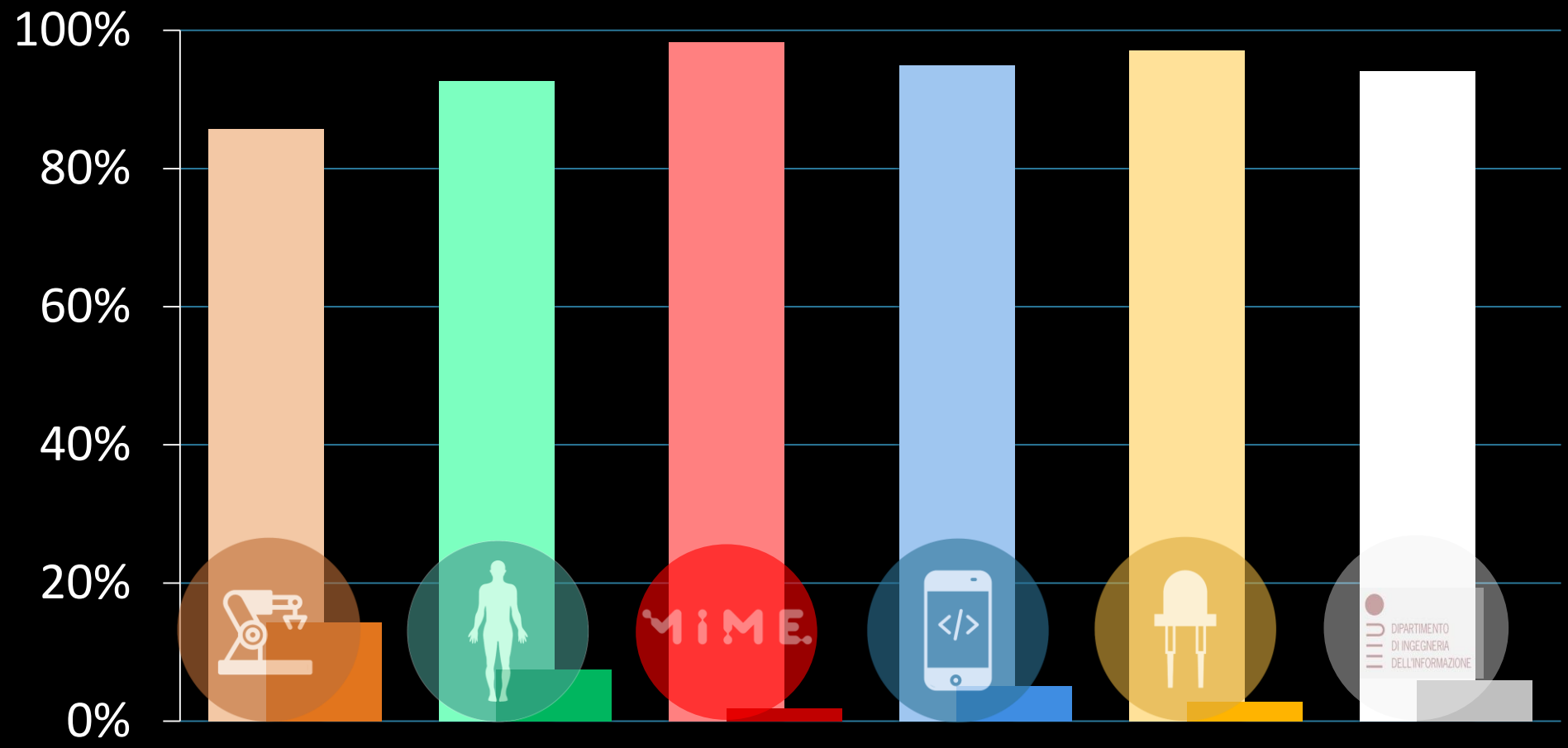
Graduates of 2019



Satisfaction rate about the lecturers

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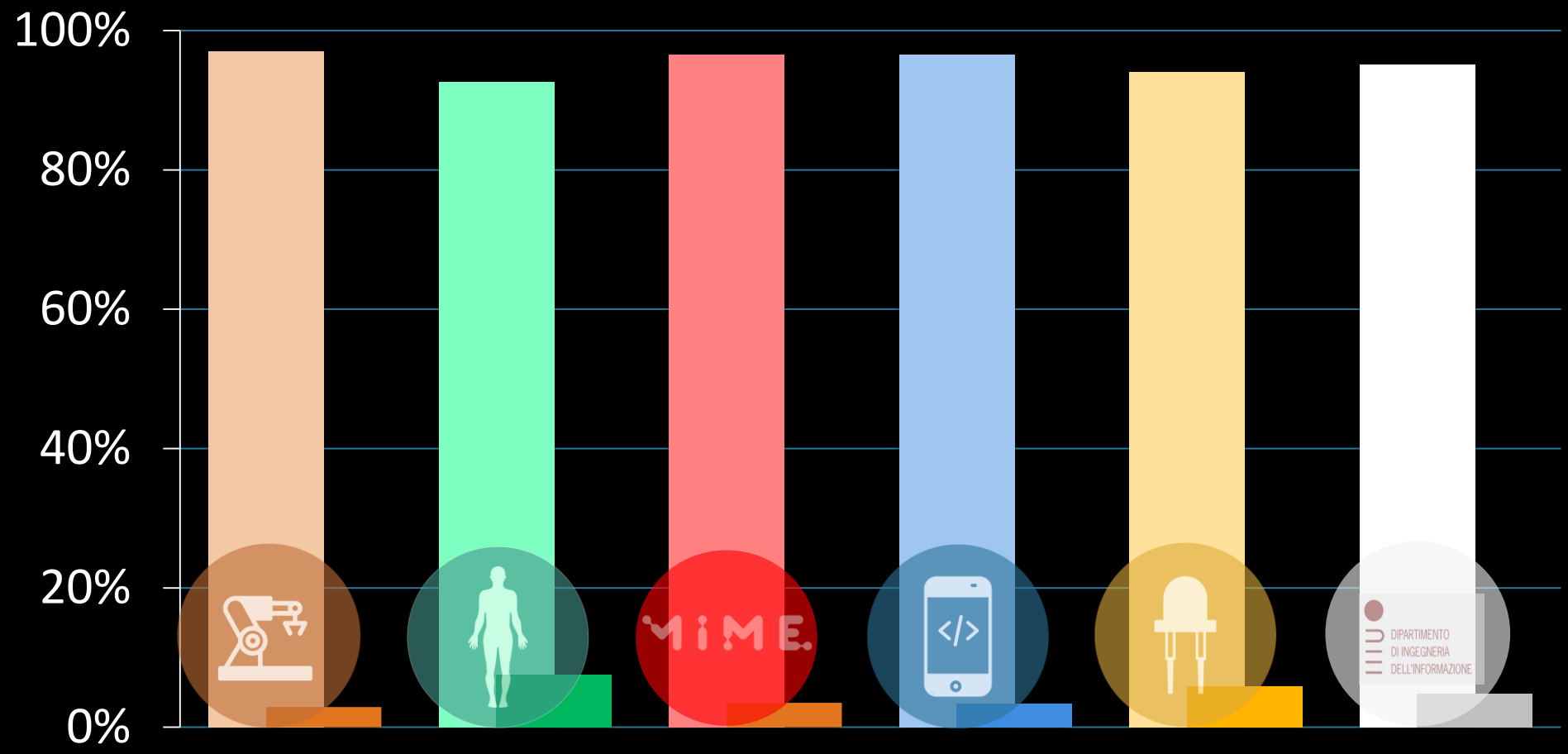

Is the study load appropriate?

(yes = light, no = dark)

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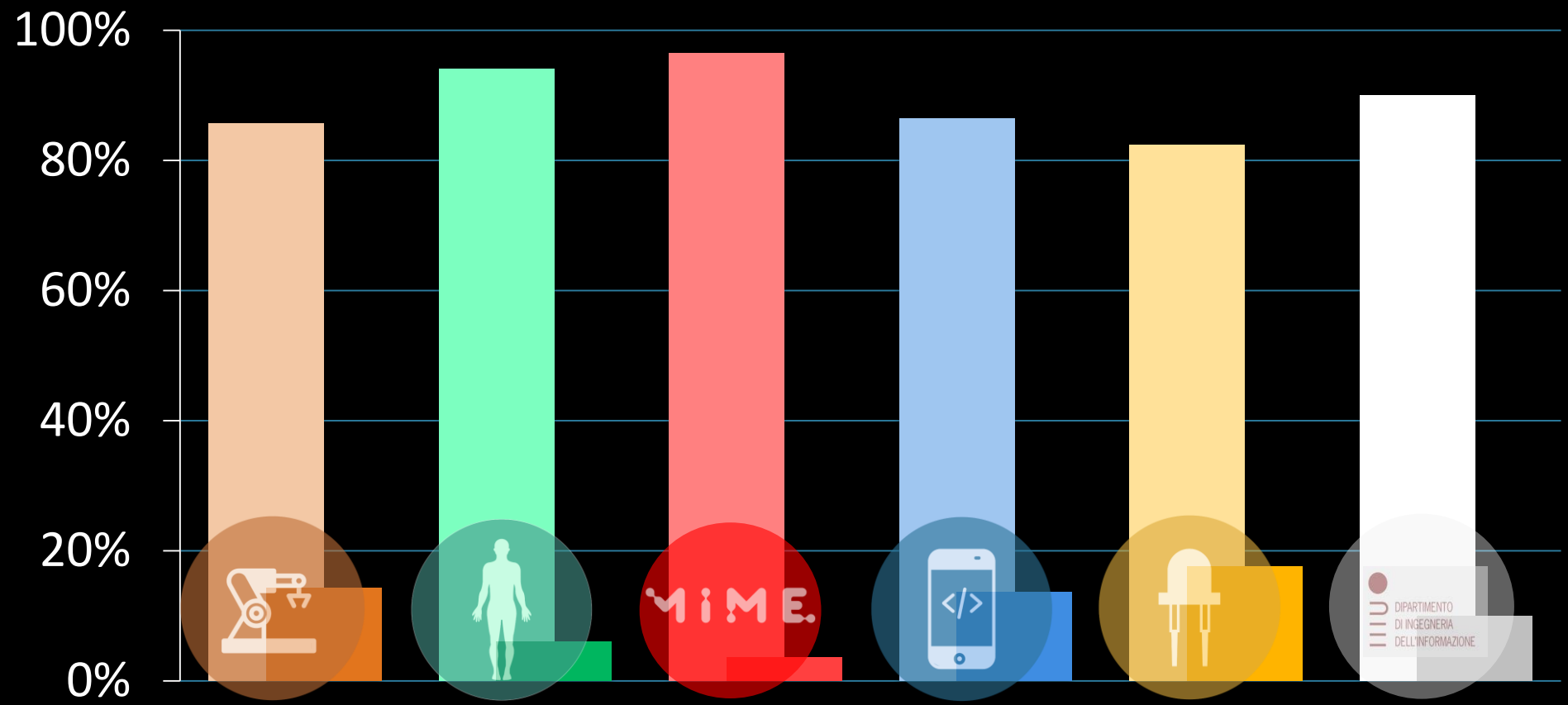

Would you choose it again?

Graduates of 2019

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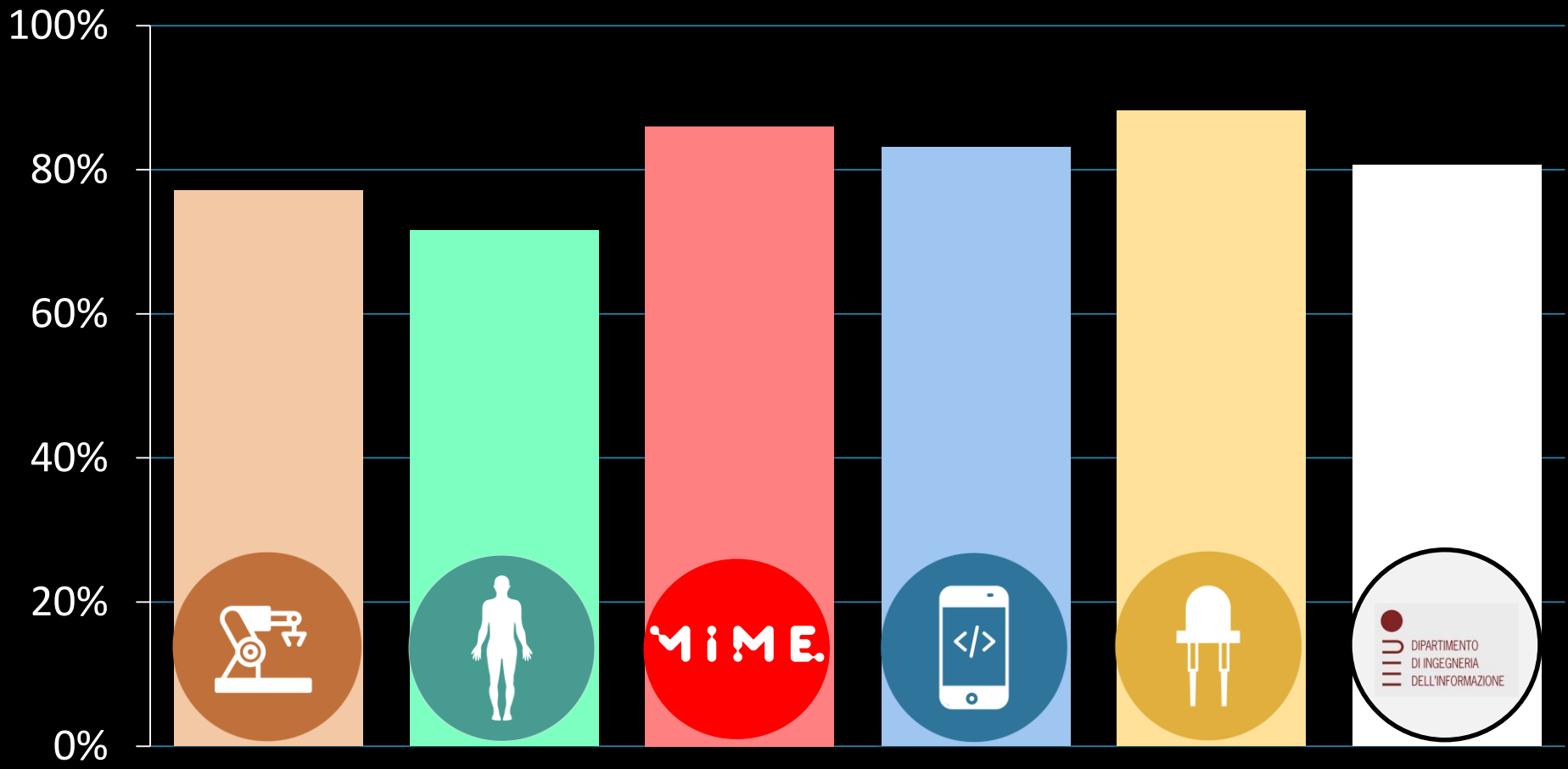

Other data

source: XXI survey

- Average duration of studies: 2.2 years
  (also includes Double Degree students)
- Average graduation mark: 109.7
- Had an experience abroad: 51%
  (note: another ~30% are foreign nationals)
- Average time from graduation to 1st job:
  < 2 months

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Study plan

MIME

Master's degree ICT
Internet Multimedia Engineering

MIME is a 2-year (120 ECTS credits) postgraduate course

In the Italian system, it is a "Laurea Magistrale" of class LM-27

Admission

Holders of Italian degree ≥ 84/110

with at least 50 ECTS credits in:

- maths (MAT/02, MAT/03, MAT/05, MAT/06)
- physics (FIS/01)
- computer science (INF/01, ING-INF/05)
- telecommunications (ING-INF/02, ING-INF/03)

Direct access for graduates with a Bachelor degree in Information Engineering, Maths, Physics, Computer Science

Guaranteed for all BS degrees of DEI, DM, DFA @ UniPD
- and easily for students of other universities or degrees
- foreign candidates have their own evaluation track

Foundations

Recommended background in

- Signals and systems
- Probability and statistics
- Telecommunications

If in doubt about it → contact the teaching committee

You can fill gaps even after enrolling

No English certificate required, but
you need to prove/declare that you understand it
So if you have a certification, even better
- there is an English test within the program, anyway

Enrolment steps

1: Pre-enrolment
on uniweb.unipd.it (soon)

2: Career evaluation
on uniweb.unipd.it/valutazionetitoli
(actually another website!) – all students must do it!

You must perform BOTH - you can do 2 just after 1.
After receiving confirmation of that your career is ok:

3: Enrollment – also on uniweb.unipd.it

Study plan: what we offer

Exams of different sizes
Mandatory exams
“Serial” courses

All courses = 6 credits
Highest freedom of choice
“Open” courses

Common characteristics

Flexible

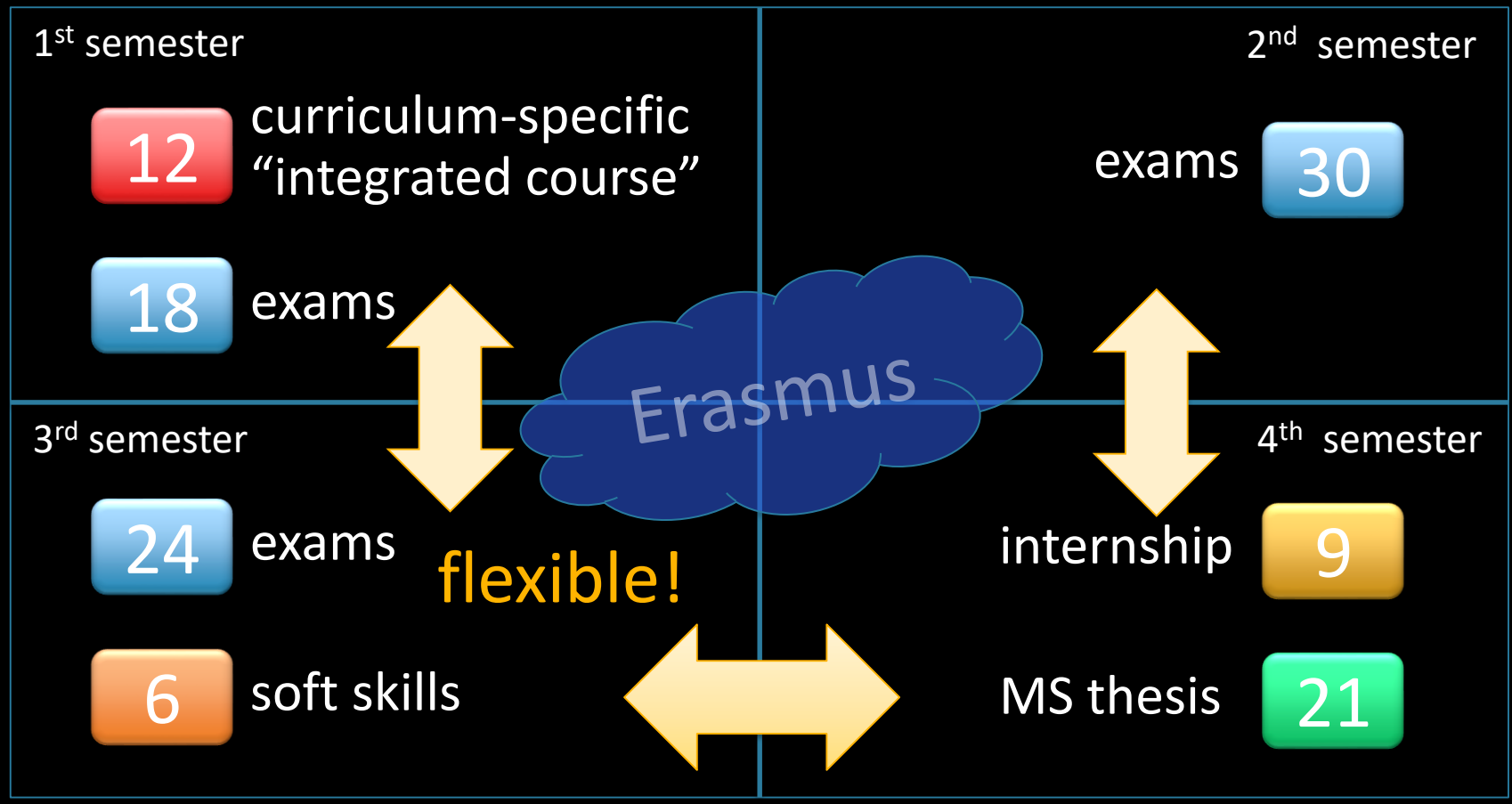
- Without mandatory exams
- All the exams are of 6 ECTS credits: just choose the preferred disciplines that fit you the most
- 12 ETCS credits (2 exams) are “fully elective”
  → you can take previously discarded subjects or even exams from another curriculum or degree

Common characteristics

Professional

- Final MS thesis project of 30 ECTS
  covering your last semester
  (including internship or research activity)
- 6 credits for “soft skills”
  - 3 for English B2 level
  - 3 for short courses on project management, public speaking in English or more

Typical study plan



Four areas of specialty = 4 curricula

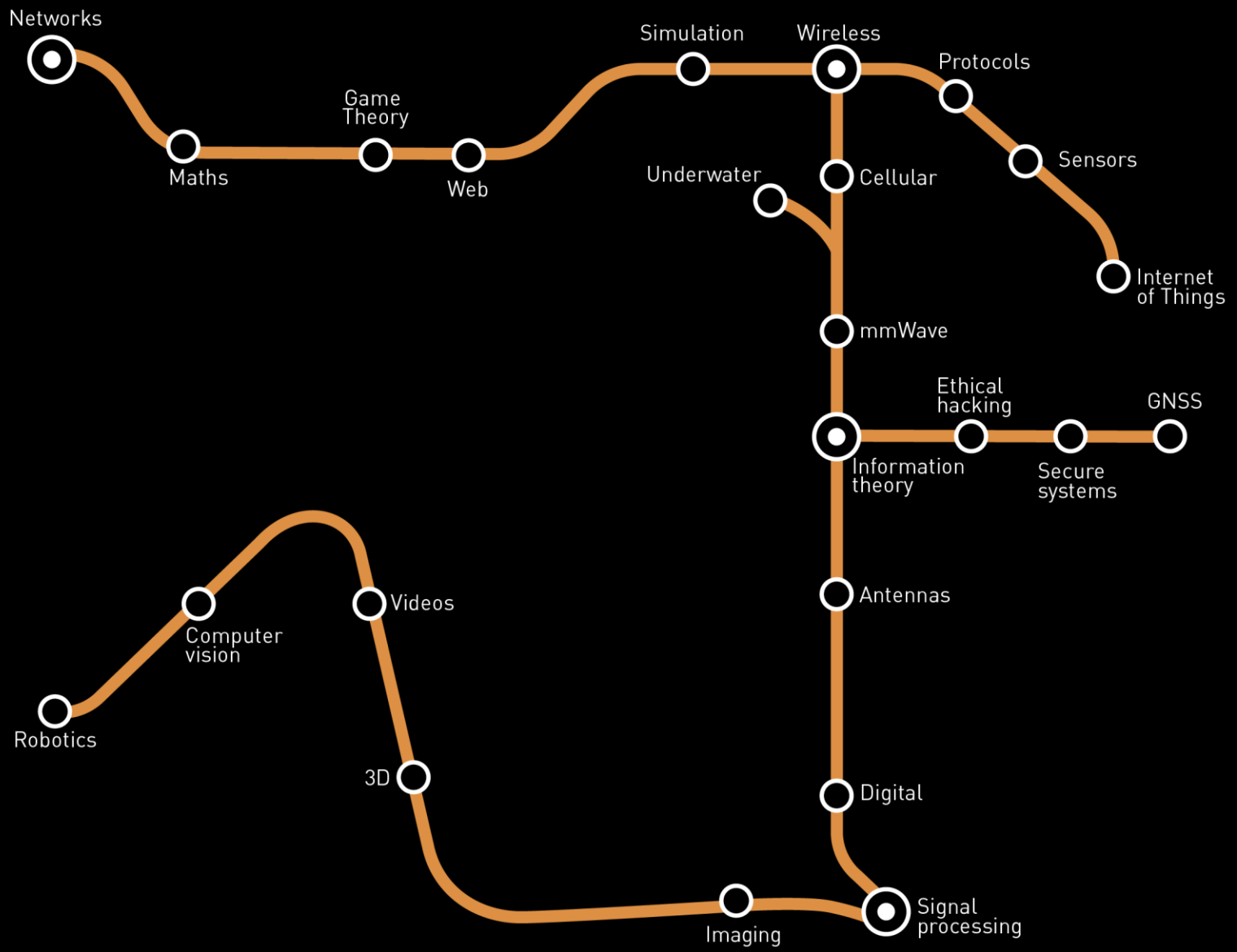
Teaching committee

When in doubt about choices of curriculum or exams, ask the teaching committee!

You can reach them at mime@dei.unipd.it

You can also ask them how to handle Erasmus+ exchanges or **recognition of past extra activity**!

Telecommunications



Telecommunications

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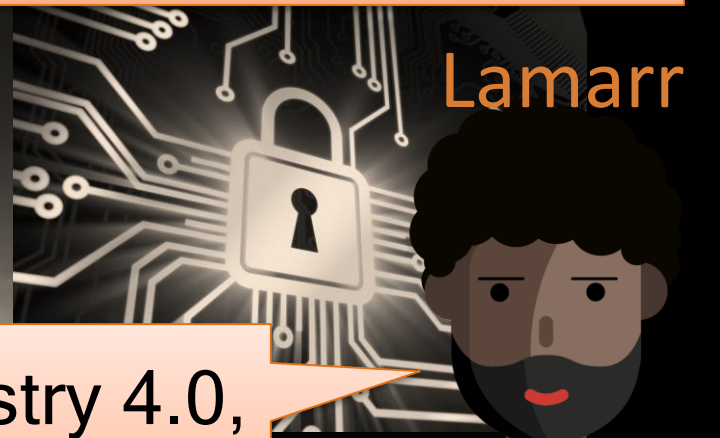
Motivation

Explore all layers from PHY to APP

Scenarios

Next generation wireless, antenna design, sensors network optimization, security, multimedia, R&D



Lamarr

ICT is the main enabler of Industry 4.0, see the new study path!

Telecommunications

Standard path
Industry 4.0 path

MANDATORY — Telecommunication principles = Programming for telecom + Wireless networks

CHOOSE AT LEAST 7

- 5G systems
- Antennas
- Communication network design
- Computer vision
- Digital communications
- Digital signal processing
- Fiber optics
- ICT for industrial applications
- Information theory
- Internet
- IoT and smart cities
- Machine learning
- Multimedia coding
- Optical and quantum communications
- Optical networks
- Satellite communication systems
- Visible light and metasurface communications

CHOOSE AT LEAST 2

- Convex optimization
- Embedded real time control
- High level programming
- ICT for automotive and domotics
- ICT robotics
- Industrial communications
- Physics data analysis
- Programmable hardware devices
- Quality engineering
- Quantum information and computing
- Relational marketing

CAN ALSO CHOOSE

- Digital forensics
- Game theory
- Information security
- Non verbal communication
- Stochastic processes

CHOOSE 1 AMONG — Project management — Public speaking — Public values in media and ICT

Internships at …

ARRI
MÜNCHEN (DE)

Signal processing for digital cinema

Fiat Chrysler Automobiles
TURIN / USA

5G vehicular communications

Huawei
MILAN / CHINA

Cellular networks R&D

Wind Tre
VENICE

National telco operator

World Sensing
BARCELONA (ES)

Wireless sensors monitoring

RFI
MESTRE (VE)

Railway network

Telenor
OSLO (NO)

National telco operator

CAME SpA
DOSSON DI CASIER (TV)

Safe access

Gavia systems
ROVIGO

Public WiFi services

Bft Spa
SCHIO (VI)

Domotic and automation

Is it a good choice for me?

Strong mathematical background is needed

- especially in probability and signal theory

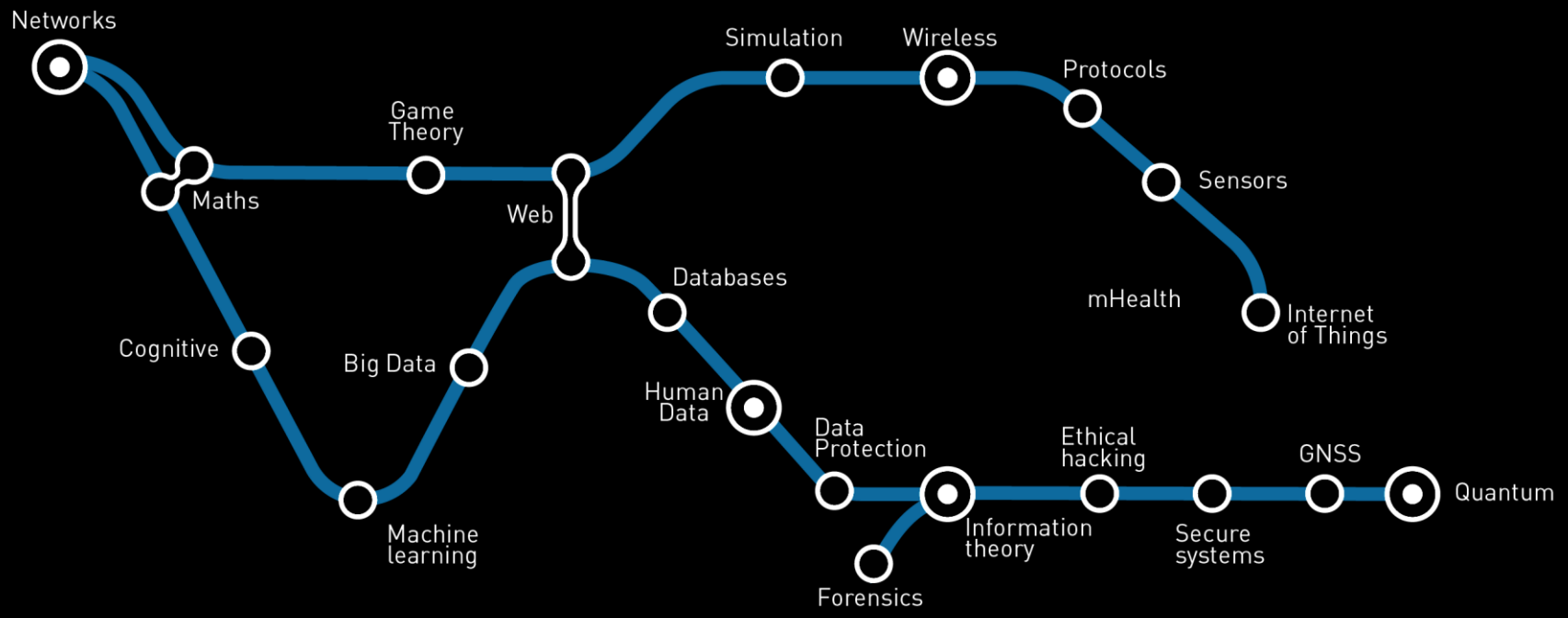
Many courses are project-oriented

- be careful not to pick too demanding tasks

Mostly focuses on telecommunications

- did you like your “fundamentals” course?

Cybersystems



Cybersystems

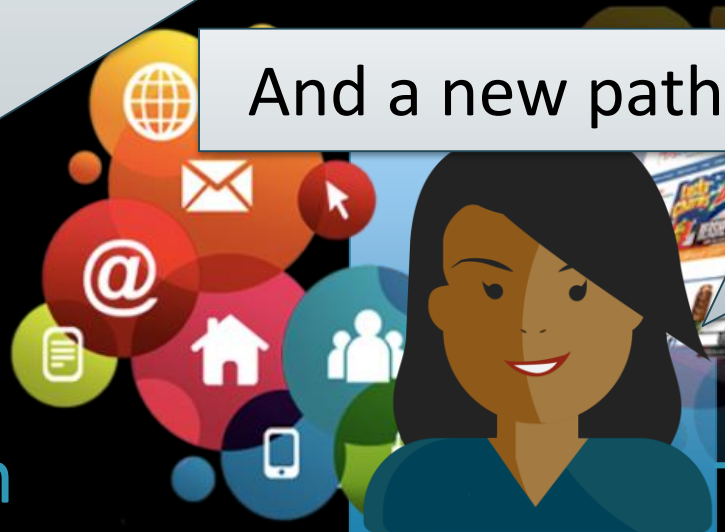
Motivation

System interconnection opens up new horizons , inspiring challenges... and amazing opportunities!

Scenarios

The third platform: Social, Mobile, Analytics, Cloud, Automotive, Tactile Internet, WWW, Blockchain

Shannon



And a new path in Digital Arts!

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Cybersystems

Standard path
Digital arts path

MANDATORY

Network systems = Foundations of databases + Internet

Network science

Digital and interactive mutimedia

CHOOSE AT LEAST 6

3D augmented reality
Communication network design
Computer vision
Digital forensics
Digital signal processing
Game theory
Information security
Information theory
IoT and smart cities
Machine learning
Multimedia coding
Network analysis and simulation
Network coding
Neural networks and deep learning
Stochastic processes
Usability and user experience

CHOOSE AT LEAST 2

Big data computing
Convex optimization
Computer engineering for music and multimedia
Cryptography
Digital storytelling
High level programming
History of animation
Human computer interaction
Laboratory of big data analytics
Learning from networks
Natural language processing
Sound design and music technology
Web applications

CAN ALSO CHOOSE

Life data epidemiology
Network dynamical systems
Non verbal communication
Photojournalism
Wireless networks

CHOOSE 1 AMONG

Project management
Public speaking
Public values in media and ICT

Internships at …

Sanmarco Informatica	Teypra SRL	Sony Eutec	Mida Solutions	Uqido
GRISIGNANO DI ZOCCO (VI)	ROVIGO	STUTTGART (DE)	PADOVA	PADOVA
IT Solutions	IoT connected devices	Multimedia R&D	Voice & data app virtualization	IoT / Blockchain Software eng.

Aquifi	solidThinking	Nokia Bell Labs	Altran Italia	Athonet
PALO ALTO (US)	VICENZA / USA	DUBLIN (IR)	ROME	BOLZANO VICENTINO (VI)
3D vision	3D rendering	Low power networking	5G, video 3D, cybersecurity	Software defined networking

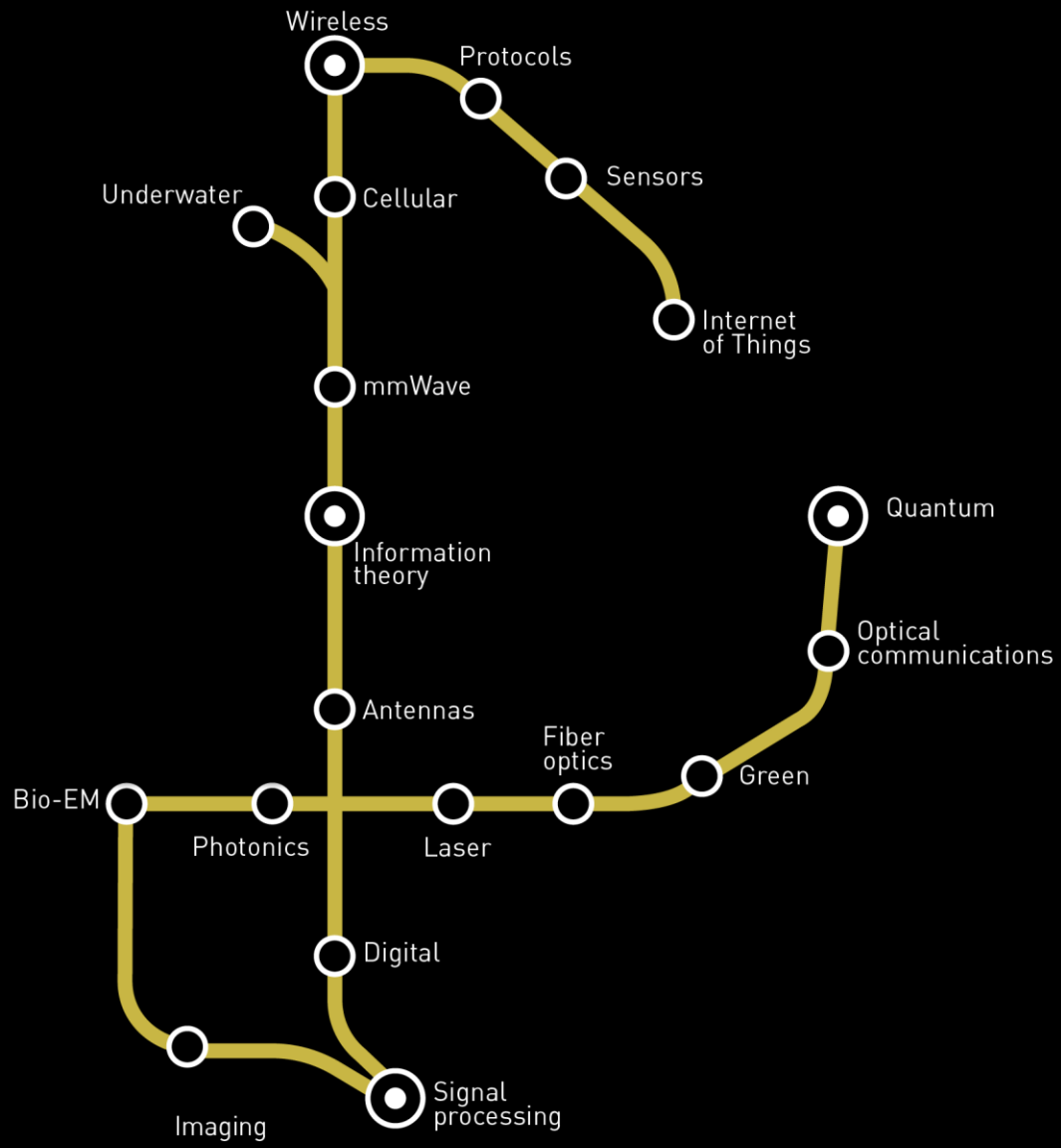
Is it a good choice for me?

A mixture of math, computer science, telecom

- you certainly need good programming skills

A system-wide perspective, with an eye on cross-disciplinary topics, and an open mindset

Photonics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Photonics

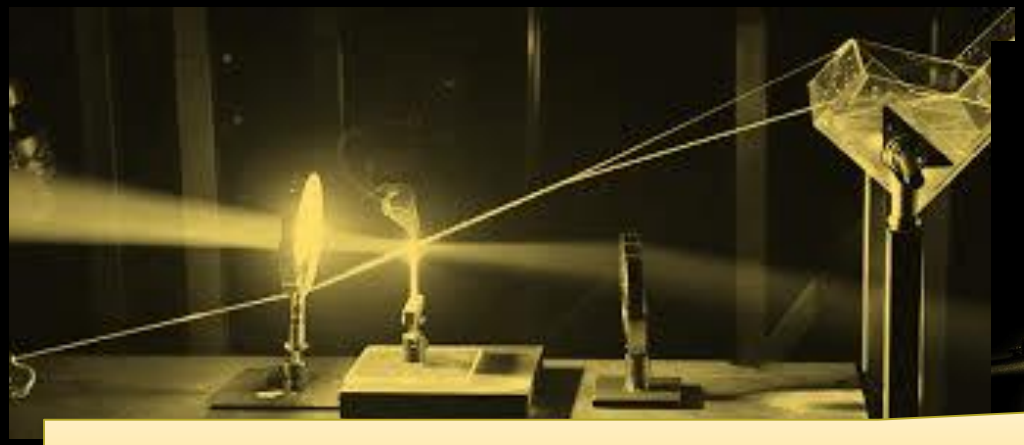
Hikari

Motivation

Photonics and light-based technologies are drivers of this century's industry

Scenarios

Hyperspectral analysis, earthquake monitoring, optical neurosynaptic networks, quantum computers



Erwin

I'm taking the new Quantum Information path!

Photonics

Standard path

Quantum information path

MANDATORY

Photonic technologies = Fiber optics + Photonic devices

Molecular photonics

Quantum information and computing

CHOOSE AT LEAST 6

Antennas
Biophotonics
Digital communications
Digital signal processing
Internet
Machine learning
Nanophotonics
Optical and quantum communications
Optical networks
Quantum cryptography and security
Satellite communication systems
Visible light and metasurface communications

CHOOSE AT LEAST 2

Nanostructured materials
Optoelectronics for green
Photovoltaic science and technology
Programmable hardware devices
Quantum information and computing
Molecular photonics
Quantum methods for ICT
Quantum optics and lasers
Quantum technologies

CAN ALSO CHOOSE

5G systems
Convex optimization
Economic policy and local development
Non verbal communication
Information theory
Physics data analysis

CHOOSE 1 AMONG

Project management
Public speaking
Public values in media and ICT

Internships at …

Leonardo	Qascom	DeltaOhm	CEIT	NTSG
CARSOLI (AQ)	BASSANO DEL GRAPPA (VI)	PADOVA	MONSELICE (PD) / SVIZZERA	ROMA
Thin films for space optics	Secure satellite communications	Photo radiometric sensors	Fiber optical networks	Fiber sensing and monitoring

Calearo Antenne	Infineon	Adant	SIT	Nidek Medical
ISOLA VICENTINA (VI)	PADOVA / AUSTRIA	PADOVA	PADOVA	ALBIGNASEGO (PD) / GIAPPONE
Antennas for 5G and automotive	Semiconductors and IoT	Reconfigurable antennas	Measurement for safety	Optometrical instrumentation

Is it a good choice for me?

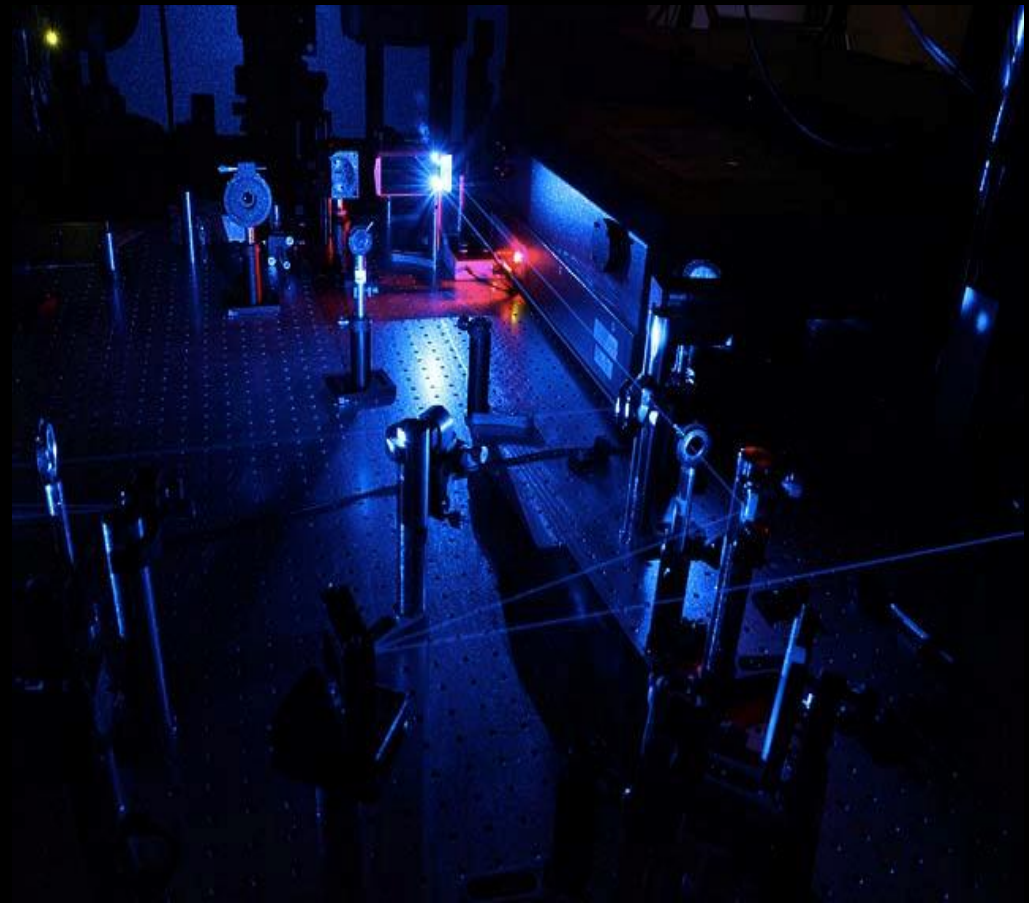
Your proficiency in physics will be put to the test

- electromagnetism, quantum, physics of matter

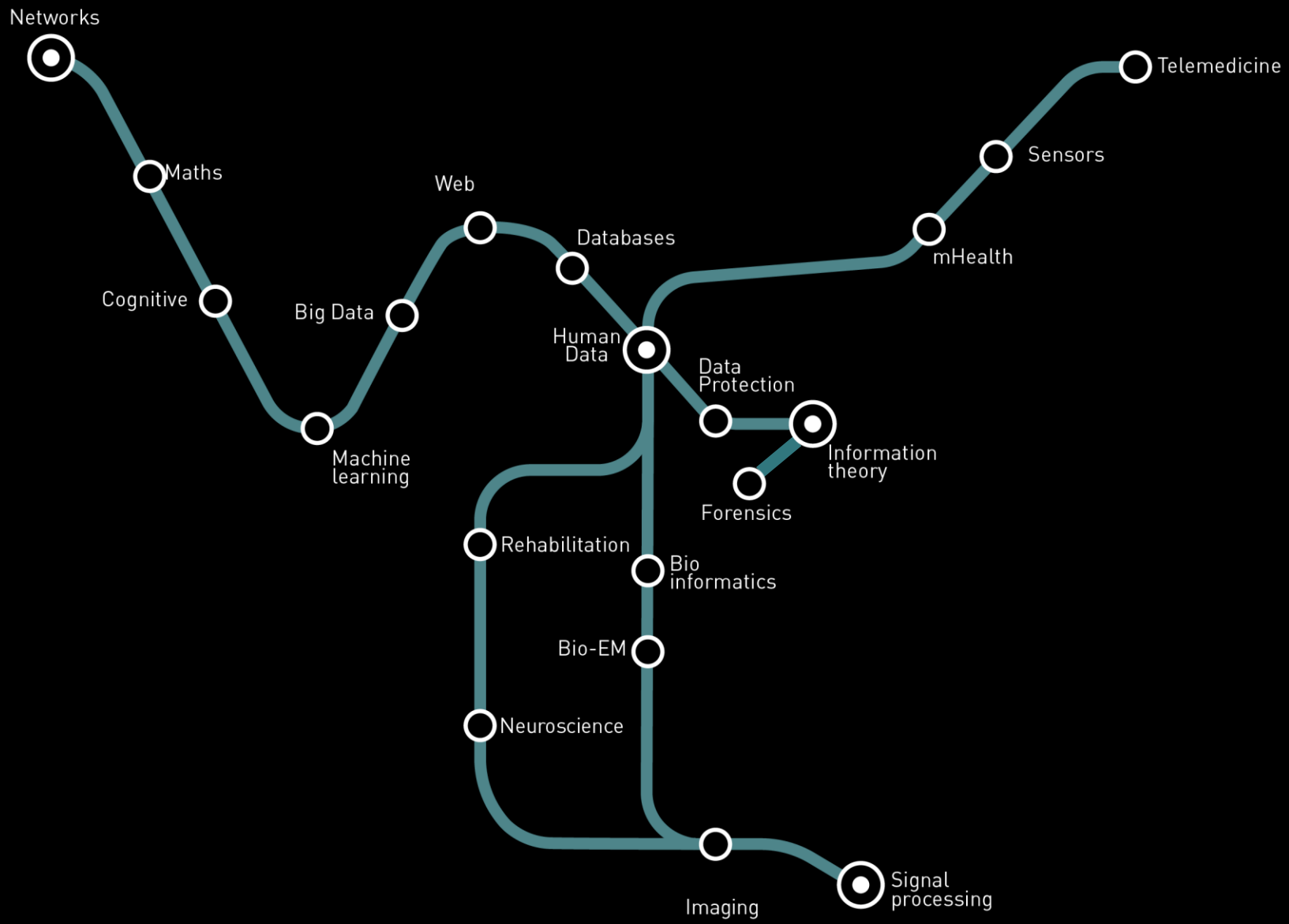
But you need a very engineering attitude

- laboratory activity is really important here

(yes, this is our real lab and not a stock picture)



Life & Health


Networks
Maths
Cognitive
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Sensors
mHealth
Rehabilitation
Bio informatics
Bio-EM
Neuroscience
Imaging
Signal processing

Life & Health

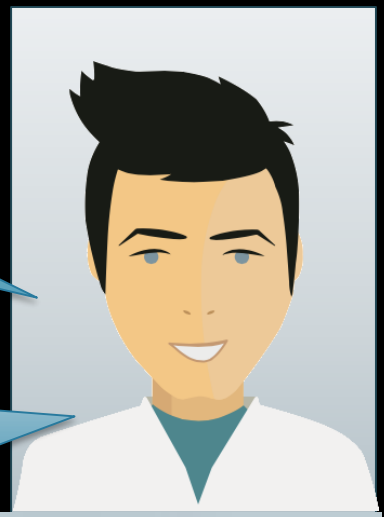
Ada

The new path is on Machine Learning for healthcare!

Motivation

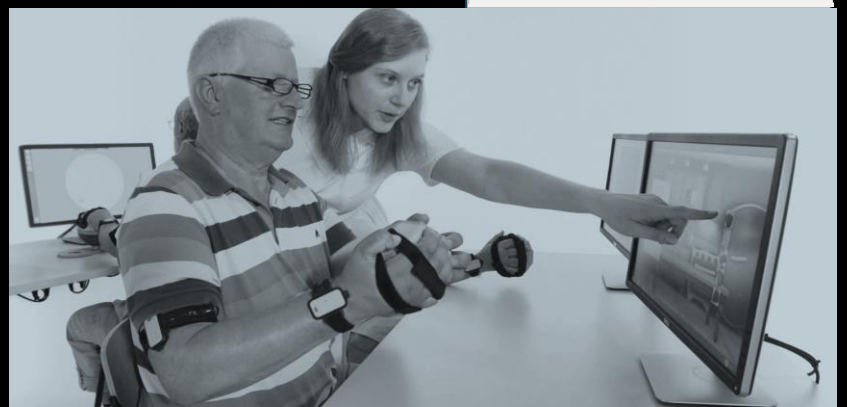
ICT improves well-being with pervasive monitoring, prevention/cure, rehabilitation

Vito



Scenarios

Neuroscience, augmented reality, genomics, healthy ageing, sport, wearable sensors



Life & Health

Standard path
ML for healthcare path

MANDATORY — Digital processing for life and health = Digital signal processing + Machine learning

CHOOSE AT LEAST 6

- 3D augmented reality
- Biometrics
- Biophotonics
- Computer vision
- Digital forensics
- E-health
- Game theory
- Human data analytics
- Internet
- Life data epidemiology
- Multimedia coding
- Network science
- Neural networks and deep learning
- Stochastic processes
- Secure digital healthcare
- Usability and user experience

CHOOSE AT LEAST 3

- Clinical engineering and health tech
- Computational genomics
- Human computer interaction
- Learning from networks
- Molecular photonics
- Neuroimaging
- Neurorobotics and neurorehabilitation
- Quantitative life science
- Precision medicine
- Reinforcement learning
- Sports engineering and rehabilitation devices

CAN ALSO CHOOSE

- Economic policy and local development
- Foundation of databases
- Human electrophysiology
- Non verbal communication

CHOOSE 1 AMONG — Project management — Public speaking — Public values in media and ICT

Internships at …

Malvestio
VILLANOVA DI CAMPOSAMPIERO (PD)

Sensors for hospital bed

Khymeia
NOVENTA PADOVANA (PD)

Virtual reality for neurorehab

Policlinico Sant'Orsola
BOLOGNA

Infectious diseases unit

BrainTrends
ROMA

Brain biosignal sensing

Phoenix RTO
PADOVA

Hyperspectral for agrifood

AMPED
TRIESTE

Forensics multimedia

Nidek Medical
ALBIGNASEGO (PD) / GIAPPONE

Ophtalmology ocular diagnosis

Inst. Behavioral Neurobiology
TUBINGEN (D)

Paralysis/stroke monitoring

WYSS Center
ZURICH (CH)

FMRI-BCI analysis, Neuroprosthetics

Inst. Tecnologico de Canarias
CANARY ISLANDS (E)

CAD for bone reconstraction

Is it a good choice for me?

Requires interest in both ICT & medical subjects

- you must acquire solid skills in both areas; thus, also math, computer science, telecommunications
- a rigorous engineering program

Note that you will not find:

- general courses in chemistry or physiology
- courses of biology, biomechanics, biomaterials

After graduation: a PhD?

About 1 in 4 of our MSc graduates
pursue higher education towards a PhD

Our department offers a highly qualified PhD program in Information Engineering

Graduates in the last 10 yrs from our MSc+PhD are now

- Professors/academic researchers at: Purdue, Irvine, Michigan, Carlos III Madrid, Malaysia Pahang, New York Univ., Firenze, Porto, UC San Diego, Kentucky, TU Dresden, Aalborg, Rochester, Norce Bergen Norway
- Industrial project engineers at: Gameloft, Nokia, u-blox, TIM, Qascom, SIAV, Aquifi, Ceam, Mount Sinai Hospitals NY, Wind-tre, McKinsey, Urbana Smart, DLR, Airbus, Calearo antennas, European Space Agency, Cisco, Microsoft , Athonet

Infineon award

- A scholarship/award assigned to promising students to help them pursue the degree in “ICT for Internet and multimedia”
- Based on:
  i. academic track record;
  ii. interview with the Evaluation Committee
- 2 awarded prizes of 5000 euros each
- The call will be out soon: check the website www.unipd.it/borse-premi-studio-studenti

Master's degree ICT Internet Multimedia Engineering

Questions & answers

Preparatory classes

Q: *You mentioned the possibility to acquire missing prerequisites by attending some summer courses before the semester starts. Are those courses going to be held online?*

A: No, the summer classes we mentioned in the presentation (e.g., the introductory class in Telecommunications) are only held in presence at the Brixen site of the University of Padova

Study plan

Q: How can we have more information and discuss the study plan before the start of classes ?

A: You can start by visiting our program's web site mime.dei.unipd.it where you can find all the classes and curricula listed. If you need further clarification, write an email to the address mime@dei.unipd.it and you will get in touch with the teaching committee

Working students

Q: Do students coming to Padova for the master's program have the legal right to work?

A: For Italian and EU students it is legally possible to also work and seek employment. For international students, this depends on the type of visa they obtain. The University poses no restriction.

Scholarships

Q: What is the University of Padova scholarship policy for foreign students?

A: Beside the Infineon scholarship, several other funding opportunities are available, either with UniPD scholarships awarded on a merit basis, or with Veneto regional grants for low income Italian and international students. More information is given at www.unipd.it/en/scholarships

English language certificate

Q: *My English language certificate is valid at the time of my application and enrollment, but will expire before my graduation. Can I use this certificate to obtain the necessary language credits? Or will I need to obtain a new certificate ?*

A: Yes, it is sufficient that you apply for recognition of the language ECTS credits before your certificate expires. You can do that at any point in your academic career. A list of the acceptable certifications is available at this link

Internships

Q: When the time comes for the internship, will we get recommendations for the opportunities?

A: Yes, there is a dedicated internship orientation event, usually at the start of the Spring semester. Moreover, internship opportunities are regularly posted on the program's blog Life@MIME and the university Career Service also collects internship offers: www.unipd.it/en/stages-and-job-placement

Online teaching

Q: *Are the classes going to be taught online or offline in the next year?*

A: With the vaccination campaign well underway and gaining momentum week after week we are reasonably confident to resume classroom teaching in the next semester.
However, on line teaching tools may still be useful and convenient. After all, even before the pandemic outburst, a lot of class material and class exchanges (e.g., turning homeworks in) was available on line.

Vaccination and travel restrictions

Q: *I have taken a Covid-19 vaccination which is not approved by WHO yet. Will I be able to come to Padova and attend classes ?*

A: For health and safety information regarding coming to Italy please check indications by the Italian Ministry of Health on their webpage

Career evaluation

Q: How is the career evaluation performed for international applicants?

A: The procedure described in the “Enrollment steps” slide is for applicants holding an Italian bachelor degree. Other applicants should follow the instructions at www.unipd.it/en/studying-padova/admission/how-apply/study-english-how-apply

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