


PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Current Position Full Professor

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Summary

Rossella Ferretti received the Ph.D. degree in geophysics from the School of Geophysical Sciences, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta GA, USA, in 1986, and the second Ph.D. degree in physics and "Laurea" in physics, "summa cum laude," from the University of Rome "La Sapienza," Rome, Italy, in 1987. She is the Director of the master's degree in Atmospheric Science and Technology, University of L'Aquila-University of Rome "Sapienza." From September 2015 to February 2017, she was the Lead Scientist for Nowcasting and NWP, at the Danish Meteorological Institute Copenhagen, Denmark. During 2013–2015, she was the Vice-Coordinator/Director of the Virtual Operational Italian Meteorological Center (VOC), L'Aquila, Italy, during the HyMex campaign (September–November 2012). Since 2021, she has been a Full Professor at the Department of Physics, University of L'Aquila, L'Aquila, Italy. During 1998–2015, she has taught at least three graduate and undergraduate classes every academic year, among them: Dynamic meteorology, climatology, mesoscale modeling, and laboratory for computational physics. During 2017–2018, she has taught: Dynamic meteorology, physics of fluid, introduction to computational physics. During 2016 – 2018, she taught the following class "Errors source in NWP" for the Master di II livello in "Analisi e Mitigazione del Rischio Idrogeologico" – Dipartimento di Scienze della Terra. From 2001–today, she led the Meteorological Modelling Group, Center of Excellence for Prediction of Severe Events (CETEMPS), University of L'Aquila, and in charge of the operational weather forecast at CETEMPS (<http://cetemps.aquila.infn.it>). She is the author of more than 60 papers in international peer refereed journals. She is an expert in mesoscale modeling. She developed a deep knowledge of the mesoscale modeling MM5 and of the new generation weather research and forecasting model (WRF) from NCAR and is the in charge of several national and international projects. She is the Referee for several international journals, Guest Editor for the Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society for the special issue "Hymex campaign," Reviewer for the Research Council of Norway for a proposal on orographic precipitation, and for the Netherlands e-Science Center (NLeSC), the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO), and the Italian Super Computing Resource Allocation promoted by CINECA.

Bibliometric Indicators

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WORK EXPERIENCE

2022	Member of CIRIAF (UNIPG). Member of ISCRA (CINECA).
2021- present	Full Professor, University of L'Aquila (Italy), Department of Physics and Chemistry.
2021	Member of the committee for a competition for a position of Full Professor at the University of Piemonte Orientale. Member of the committee for a competition for a position of RTDa at University of Naples, Parthenope and University of Milan.
2021	Re-elected Chairman of the Laurea Magistrale in Atmospheric Science and Technology at the University of L'Aquila and at the University of Rome (http://www.imast.it).
2019	Member of several committee for RTDa competitions.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- 1987 Ph.D. in Geophysics, at the School of Geophysical Sciences of the Georgia Institute of Technology (Atlanta GA, USA), with the Thesis: "Wave disturbances associated with the Red River Valley severe weather outbreak of 10-11 April 1979".
- 1987 The above US Ph.D. is officially acknowledged by the Italian Ministry of the University (MIUR) as an Italian PhD in Physics.
- 1980 "Laurea" in Physics, "Summa cum laude", at the University of Rome "La Sapienza" with the Thesis: "Simulation of SO₂ dispersion in the atmosphere of the urban area of Rome using a dispersion model".
- 2013 Qualified as Full Professor for the area 04/A4 Geophysics, Italian National Scientific Qualification, Procedure 2012. (<https://abilitazione.cineca.it/ministero.php/public/esitoAbilitati/settore/04%252FA4/fascia/1>).
- 2006 to 2021 Associate Professor, University of L'Aquila (Italy), Department of Physics.
- 1990-2006 Researcher, University of L'Aquila (Italy), Department of Physics

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s) Italian

Other language(s) English

COMPRESIONE		PARLATO		PRODUZIONE SCRITTA
Ascolto	Lettura	Interazione	Produzione orale	
C1	C1	C1	C1	C1

Danish: only basics

Levels: A1/2: Basic user – B1/2: Independent user – C1/2 Proficient user
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2022 Rector's delegate for the PNRR- PE3 'Rischi ambientali naturali e antropici'
Member of the IS CRA Panel at CINECA
Member of the Comitato di indirizzo del CRC (Section of CIRIAF, University of Perugia)
- 2018 to present Chairman of the newly established Laurea Magistrale in Atmospheric Science and Technology at the University of L'Aquila and at the University of Rome (<http://www.lmast.it>).
- 2018 to present Member of the committee for a scientific agreement between University of L'Aquila and ISAC-CNR.
- 2016 Danish Meteorological Institute (DMI) representative in the Task Team of Service (Improve public weather services across Europe & impact based warnings) in EUMETNET Strategy Implementation Group. DMI representative at the Hirlam Advisory Committee of the Hirlam-C Consortia. DMI representative at the Energy Horizon2020 Reference Group in Denmark.
- 9/2015 to 2/2017 Lead Scientist at the DMI for Nowcasting and NWP.
- 2014 to present Member of the teaching committee for PhD School FERIA at University of Naples 'Parthenope'.
- 2013-2015 Vice-Director of the Center of Excellence for Prediction of Severe Events (CETEMPS).
- 2001 to present Leads the Meteorological Modelling group and is in charge of the operational weather forecast at CETEMPS at the University of L'Aquila (<http://cetemps.aquila.infn.it>).

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL GRANTS
(as principal investigator)

ECMWF: "Investigating the impact of radar data assimilation using 3D-Var, 4D-Var and ensemble Kalman Filter into the high resolution weather forecast", funded through computer time; Regione Abruzzo: high resolution weather forecast; Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri Dipartimento della Protezione Civile (DPC): IDRA I and IDRA II, Test and tune of high resolution weather forecast; ESA: METAWAVE,

Mitigation of Electromagnetic Transmission errors induced by Atmospheric Water Vapour Effects, Data Assimilation within a numerical weather prediction model; EU: TOUGH project for GPS data assimilation; EU: SCOUT-O3 study of deep convection in the tropical area; Italian Space Agency (ASI): NOWCASTING, for flood forecasting; National Research Council (CNR): Modellistica delle precipitazioni intense tramite un modello non idrostatico' and 'Modellistica a mesoscala e scala locale per lo studio delle brezze e degli inquinanti in area urbana'.

TEACHING ACTIVITY

1998-2022 She has taught at least three graduate and/or undergraduate classes every academic year; among them: Dynamic Meteorology, Climatology, Mesoscale modelling, Laboratory for Computational Physics, Physics of Fluids, Introduction to Physics, Foundations of Meteorology: Synoptic and Physical Meteorology, Atmospheric Dynamics: Meteorological Modeling and Climate Modeling, Laboratory of Mechanics and Thermodynamics

2006-2007, 2007-2008, 2008-2009, 2009-2010

Modellistica Meteorologica (Scienze e Tecnologia della Navigazione, Università Parthenope, Napoli).

2010-2011, 2011-2012

Modellistica Climatologica II (Scienze e Tecnologia della Navigazione, Università Parthenope, Napoli).

ORGANIZATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS (in the last 10 years)

- 2022 Scientific committee of SISC 2022
- 2020 Member of the scientific committee of 3°AISAM meeting, L'Aquila 19 February 2021
- 2019 Member of the scientific committee of 2°AISAM meeting, Napoli, 2019
- 2018 Local committee for the ISSAOS Summer school on 'Climate Changes: Regional Modeling, data analysis and uncertainties'
- 2012 Coordinator/Director of the Virtual Operational Italian Meteorological Center (VOC) in L'Aquila during the HyMex campaign (Sep-Nov 2012).

FURTHER INFORMATION

She is an expert in Mesoscale modelling; she has a long record of investigation on the role of physical processes in severe weather events and orographic precipitation, and data assimilation of conventional and non-conventional data (satellite data, InSar and radar data). She was invited several times at NCAR to work on orographic precipitation in complex orography. She developed a deep knowledge of the Mesoscale Modelling MM5 and of the new generation Weather Research & Forecasting model (WRF) from NCAR. A few years ago, she worked with the HARMONIE-AROME model both using DMI and ECMWF super-computer. She developed the operational regional ensemble forecast at CETEMPS (http://magritte.aquila.infn.it/meteo/wrf9km_gefs/). During the sabbatico at UNIVPM, in cooperation with OCEAN-LAB of UNIVPM, she developed an operational system for a fully coupled atmosphere-ocean system (<http://oceanlab.univpm.it>).

Digital skills

Programming: Fortran 77 and 90, shell scripting
 Numerical models: MM5, WRF, Harmonie

ATTACHMENT

- List of the top publications in the main research field (in the last ten years)

Personal data

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List of the top publications in the main research field (in the last ten years)

1. Barbariol F., S. Davison, F. M. Falcieri, R. Ferretti, A. Ricchi, M. Sclavo, A. Benetazzo: Wind waves in the Mediterranean Sea: an ERA5 reanalysis wind based climatology. *Frontiers in Marine Science*, 8, 2021. doi: 10.3389/fmars.2021.760614
2. Mazzarella V., R. Ferretti, Picciotti E., F.S. Marzano: Investigating 3D and 4D Variational Rapid-Update-Cycling Assimilation of Weather Radar Reflectivity for a heavy rain event in Central Italy. *NHESS*, 21, 2849-2865, 2021. <https://doi.org/10.5194/nhess-21-2849-2021>
3. R. Ferretti, A. Lombardi, B. Tomassetti, L. Sangelantoni, V. Colaiuda, V. Mazzarella, I. Maiello, and M. Verdecchia: A meteorological-hydrological regional ensemble forecast for early warning system over small Apennine's catchments in Central Italy. *HESS*, 24, 3135-3156, 2020. <https://doi.org/10.5194/hess-24-3135-2020>
4. Pierdicca N., I. Maiello, E. Sansosti, G. Venuti, R. Ferretti, A. Gatti, M. Manzo, A. Monti Guarnieri, F. Murgia, S. Barindelli, E. Realini, S. Verde, S. Zoffoli: The excess path delay from Sentinel-1 interferometry for improving weather forecast. *JSTAR*, 2020.
5. Mazzarella V., I. Maiello, R. Ferretti, V. Capozzi, E. Picciotti, P. P. Alberoni, F. S. Marzano and G. Budillon: Reflectivity and velocity radar data assimilation for two flash flood events in central Italy: a comparison between 3D and 4D variational methods. *QJRMS*, 146, 348-366, 2019. <https://doi.org/10.1002/qj.3679>
6. Sangelantoni S., R. Ferretti, G. Redaelli: Toward a Regional-Scale Seasonal Climate Prediction System over Central Italy based on Dynamical Downscaling. *Climate*, 2019, 7, 120; doi:10.3390/cli7100120
7. Sangelantoni S., B. Tomassetti, V. Colaiuda, A. Lombardi, M. Verdecchia, R. Ferretti, G. Redaelli: On the use of original and bias-corrected climate simulations in regional-scale hydrological scenarios in the Mediterranean basin. *Atmosphere* 2019, 10(12), 799; <https://doi.org/10.3390/atmos10120799>
8. Hobbs, S. E. A.M. Guarnieri, A. Broquetas, J-C. Calvet, N. Casagli, M. Chini, R. Ferretti, T. Nagler, N. Pierdicca, C. Prudhomme, G. Wadge: G-CLASS: geosynchronous radar for water cycle science – orbit selection and system design. *The Journal of Engineering*, 2019. doi:10.1049/joe.2019.0601
9. Pierdicca N., I. Maiello, F. Murgia, G. Venuti, E. Sansosti, S. Verde, A. Gatti, C. Bignami, R. Ferretti, E. Realini, S. Barindelli, A. Monti Guarnieri: Atmospheric slant delay from SAR interferometry, GNSS and numerical weather prediction model: A comparison study in view of a geosynchronous SAR mission. *IGARSS 2018 - 2018 IEEE International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium*, 2018, doi:10.1109/IGARSS.2018.8518656
10. Maiello I., S. Gentile, R. Ferretti, L. Baldini, N. Roberto, E. Picciotti, P. P. Alberoni, F.S. Marzano: Effects of Multiple Doppler Radar data assimilation on the numerical simulation of a Flash Flood Event during the HyMeX campaign. *HESS*, Vol. 21, 5459-5476, <https://doi.org/10.5194/hess-21-5459-2017>, 2017.
11. Pichelli E., R. Rotunno and R. Ferretti: Effects of the Alps and Apennines on forecasts for Po Valley convection in two HyMeX cases. *Q. J. R. Meteorol. Soc.*, *QJRMS*, Vol. 143, 2017, Pages 2420-2435. DOI: 10.1002/qj.3096.2017.
12. Ducrocq V., Davolio S., Ferretti R., C. Flamant, Homar-Santander V., Kalthoff N., Richard E. and Wernli H., : Introduction to the HyMeX Special Issue on 'Advances in understanding and forecasting of heavy precipitation in the Mediterranean through the HyMeX SOP1 field campaign'. *Q. J. R. Meteorol. Soc.*, 142 (Suppl 1): 2016 DOI:10.1002/qj.2856
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15. S. Davolio, R. Ferretti, L. Baldini, G. Bartolini, M. Casaioli, D. Cimini, V. Colaiuda, M. Ferrario, S. Gentile, N. Loglisci, I. Maiello, A. Manzato, S. Mariani, C. Marsigli, F. S. Marzano, M. M. Miglietta, A. Montani, G. Panegrossi, F. Pasi, E. Pichelli, A. Pucillo, A. Zinzi: The role of the Italian scientific community in the first HyMeX SOP: an outstanding multidisciplinary experience. *Met Zeit.*, DOI 10.1127/metz/2015/0624, 2015.
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17. Pichelli E., R. Ferretti, M. Cacciani, A.M. Siani, V. Ciardini, T. Di Iorio : The role of urban boundary layer investigated by high resolution models and ground based observations in Rome area: a step for understanding parameterizations potentialities. *Atmos. Meas. Tech.*, 7, 315-332, 2014. www.atmos-meas-tech.net/7/315/2014/doi:10.5194/amt-7-315-2014.
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