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Current embedded systems research activities at the **Department of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology (DIETI)** of the **University of Naples Federico II**

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The Research Group

- DIETI counts more than 150 academics among full time professors and researchers, and more than 70 active PhD students
- The **Security & Embedded Research** group currently includes:
 - 1 full professor + 1 professor emeritus
 - 3 associate professors
 - 1 tenured professor (RTD-B)
 - 8 PhD students + 1 post-doc

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Main research themes

Smart Cyber-Physical Systems (CPSs)
architectures, technologies and services

High Performance Computing (HPC)
architectures, techniques and programming
tools

Digital
system
security

Main research activities and projects (1/3)

- **High Performance Computing (HPC) architectures, techniques and programming tools**
 - Energy-efficient and low-latency open-source processor architectures
 - Heterogeneous computing architectures and HW-SW Co-Design approaches
 - Hardware accelerators development methodologies
 - Quantum Technology and HPC integration opportunities

H2020-FETHPC-2017 **RECIPE**: *REliable power and time-Constraints-aware Predictive management of heterogeneous Exascale systems*, (ID: 801137, duration: 2018–2021)
Main contact: prof. Alessandro Ciarlo

Main research activities and projects (2/3)

- **Smart Cyber-Physical Systems (CPSs) architectures, technologies and services**
 - CPSs and digital twins: design methodologies, enabling technologies and services (e.g., RUL prediction, monitoring, predictive maintenance)
 - Applications of CPSs and Artificial Intelligence (e.g., smart mobility and railway applications)
 - System modeling and formal verification methods and techniques (e.g., anomaly-detection)

EU Horizon 2020 - Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking **RAILS** - *Roadmaps for A.I. integration in the rail Sector*,
(ID: RAILS 881782, duration: 2019-2023)
Main Contact: prof. Valeria Vittorini

Main research activities and projects (3/3)

□ Digital systems security

- Design and development methodologies for secure and safe systems (cloud, IoT and Edge systems)
- Hardware-based security mechanisms and protocols for IoT/Edge systems
- Security assessment and testing methodologies
- Cyber resilience

(**closed**) EU Horizon 2020 **MUSA** - *Multi-cloud Secure Application (H2020-ICT-2014-1-RIA). 2015-2017.*
Contact: prof. Valentina Casola and Alessandra De Benedictis

Industrial collaborations

- The research group has several partnerships ongoing with private companies and organizations in the area of design, security and dependability of embedded systems:
 - RFI, Hitachi Railway Systems, ST Microelectronics, Micron, Gematica, IVM, Bit4ID...

- Recent activities have addressed/address:
 - System security assessment and security hardening
 - Zero infrastructure
 - Services for mobility
 - Smart asset monitoring
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Thank you!