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Mechanical Engineering For Sustainability

Why sustainability?

Globalization brought several challenges and opportunities.

The common wisdom is that only sustainable development leads to 'stable and lasting prosperity, now and into the future': this is what brought the UN to adopt the Sustainable Development Goals paradigm.



The severity and magnitude of the challenges before us require accelerated global-scale action that is committed to and follows the SDG pathway (SDG report, 2022).

Environment, Economy and Society are the foundations of sustainable development Society Environment Economy **BIOSPHERE** 6 server 13 server 10 Sustainability Are mechanical engineers part of the equation? **YES,** but they need a <u>specific</u>, <u>updated</u> and multidisciplinary education

The Course of Study in Mechanical Engineering for Sustainability

This is the origin of the international Course of Study in Mechanical Engineering for Sustainability (MES). The course is based on three pillars:

Internationalization







Interdisciplinary Applications



Internationalization

Why an international course?

- The market of companies hiring mechanical engineers is global
- The cultural exchange between international students is an added value
- Graduates will master technical English

Why Forlì Campus?

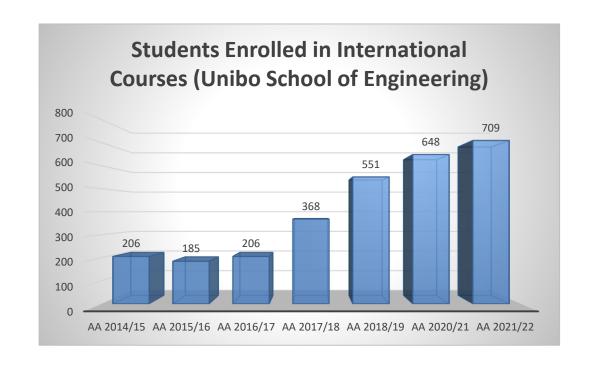
- Well established community of international students and teachers
- Positive interactions with other international courses offered in the Campus
- Possible synergies with the Master in Aerospace Engineering (elective courses, students projects, etc.)



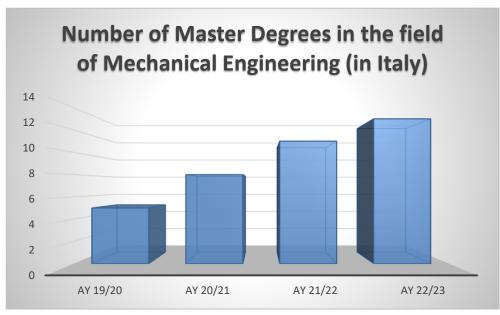
Internationalization

Why studying Mechanical Engineering in English?

• Mechanical Engineering in Italy is going international!







Students know that in the future they will work in an international scenario: the number of students enrolled in international Courses of Studies is steadily increasing at the School of Engineering (University of Bologna)

Sustainability

What do we mean by Sustainable Development?

 "meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs" (Brutland Commission, 1987)

How can we contribute, as mechanical engineers?

- The manufacturing Industry has a relevant role:
- Consumer goods life cycle/end of life
- Products design and materials
- Technological processes
- Production systems
- Machines and plants





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Awareness and technical competence are essential. Common sense doesn't always work, and sustainability assessment dynamically change with the evolution of the production process.

An example:

Do you think a paper cup is more sustainable than a plastic one?

It is (partially) biodegradable, but its production requires a higher amount of energy and water



Interdisciplinary Application-Oriented Education

Is it just a matter of learning by doing?

We know how important the learning by doing approach is in engineering. But that's just the last mile. Students also need to acquire an interdisciplinary approach to engineering problems, they need to know industrial case studies, and the companies' workflow.

MES offers an Interdisciplinary Application-oriented education, thanks to the following key features:

- Involvement of companies in the didactics, through seminars, plants visits, case studies presented during lectures
- Interdisciplinary lab courses, where engineering problems are addressed from different perspectives
- A steering committee populated by companies' representatives assures that education fulfills the marked requirements

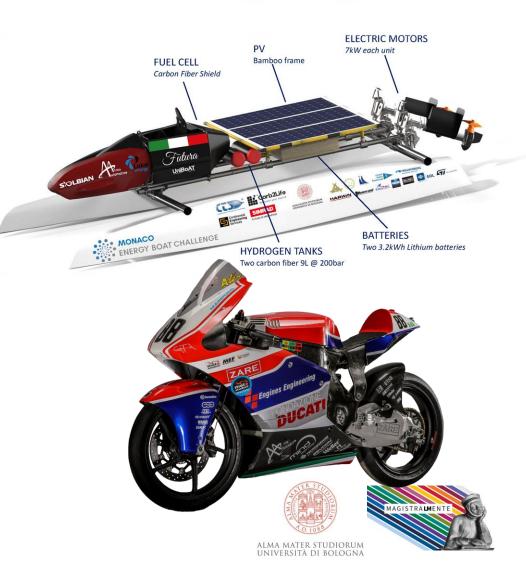


So, in the end, why Mechanical Engineering for Sustainability?

- Because design, production, technologies, plants and, generally speaking, everything is up to mechanical engineers is going to be looked over, wearing the glasses of sustainability. This is not happening in Forlì, its worldwide. And there is no going back.
- In the future there will not be alternatives to sustainable manufacturing industry. We are actually working to cancel the word 'Sustainability' from the name our Course of Study, since in the future mechanical engineering will be intrinsically sustainable.

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Course Structure

First Year: 57 ECTS

○ 51 ECTS \rightarrow 6 required courses

 \circ 6 ECTS \rightarrow 1 elective course

Required Courses (51 ECTS)

Elective Course (6 ECTS)



- 18 ECTS → 3 required courses, depending on the chosen guided choice
- \circ 6 ECTS \rightarrow 1 required course
- \circ 12 ECTS \rightarrow 2 elective courses
- 12 ECTS → interdisciplinary labs / learning by doing activities
- 15 ECTS → thesis/internship



Guided Choice Courses (18 ECTS)

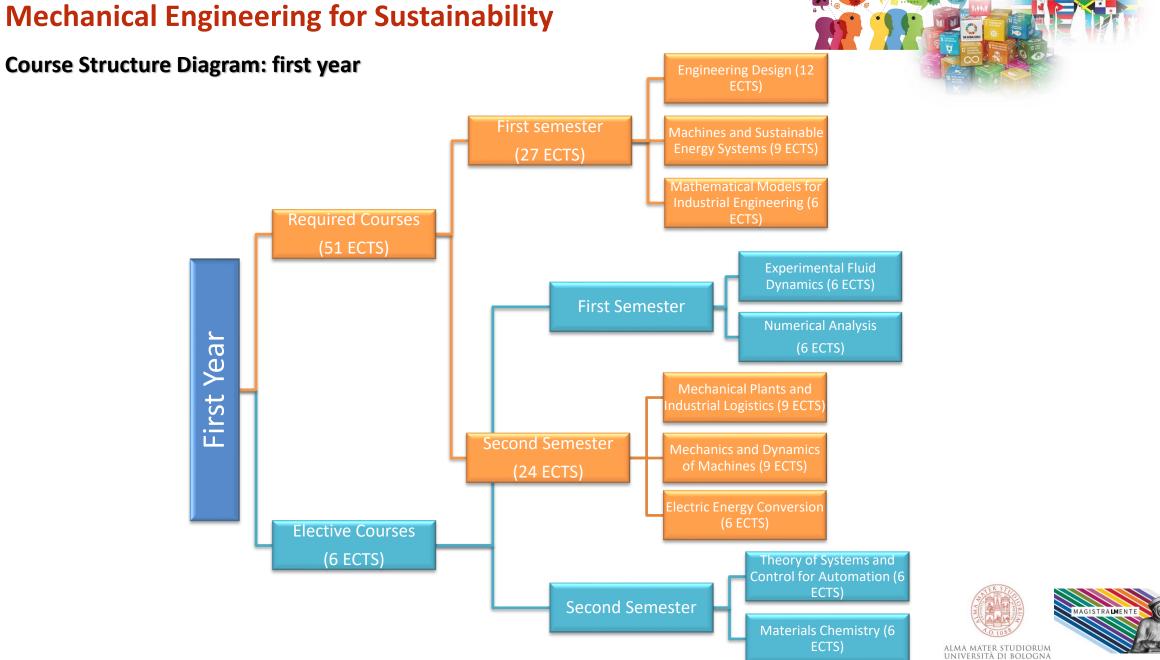
Required Course (6 ECTS)

Elective Courses (12 ECTS)

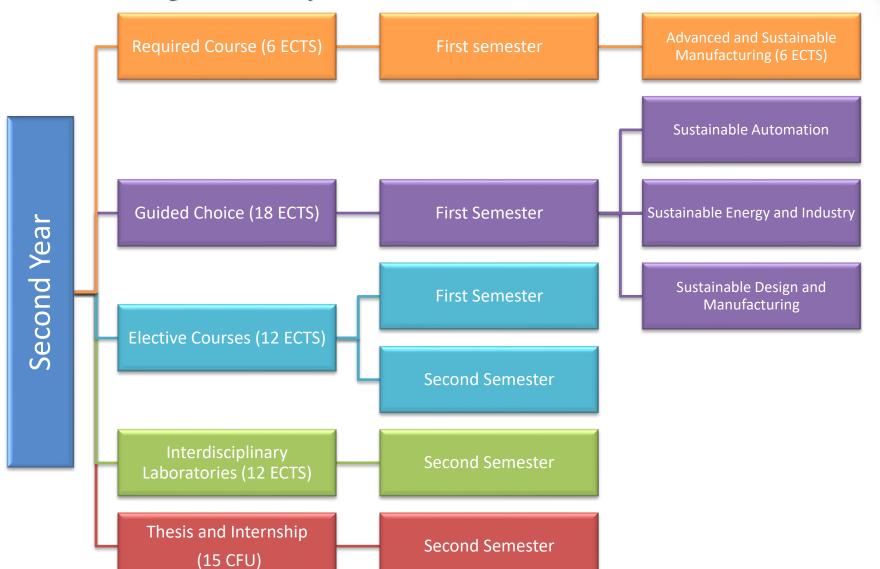
Interdisciplinary Laboratories (12 ECTS)

Final Project/Internship (15 ECTS)





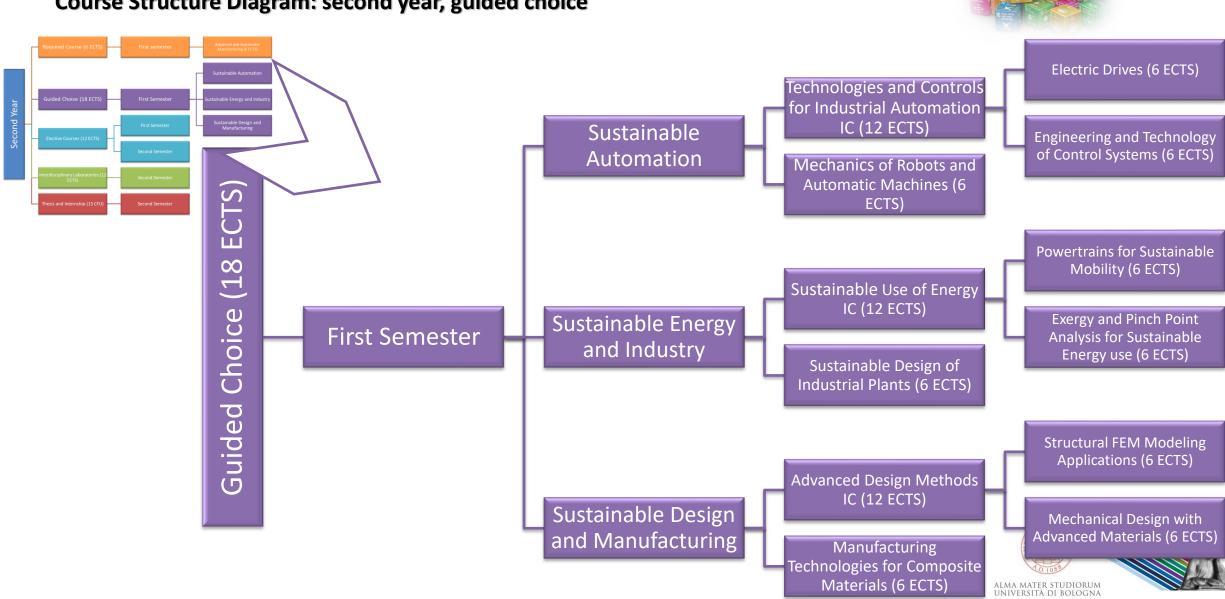
Course Structure Diagram: second year







Course Structure Diagram: second year, guided choice

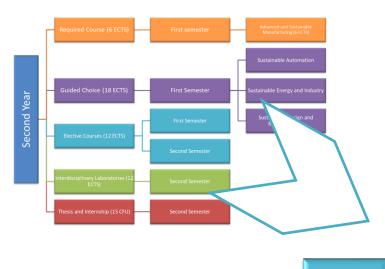


Course Structure Diagram: second year, elective courses

Courses

Elective





First Semester

Second Semester

*: only courses non present in the selected guided choice can be chosen as elective courses

Electric Drives (6 ECTS)*

Engineering and Technology of Control Systems (6 ECTS)*

Mechanics of Robots and Automatic Machines (6 ECTS)*

Powertrains for Sustainable Mobility (6 ECTS)*

Energy and Pinch Point Analysis for Sustainable Energy Use (6 ECTS)*

Sustainable Design of Industrial Plants (6 ECTS)*

Structural FEM Modeling Applications (6 ECTS)*

Mechanical Design with Advanced Materials (6 ECTS)*

Manufacturing Technologies for Composite Materials (6 ECTS)*

Experimental Fluid Mechanics (6 ECTS)

Numerical Analysis (6 ECTS)

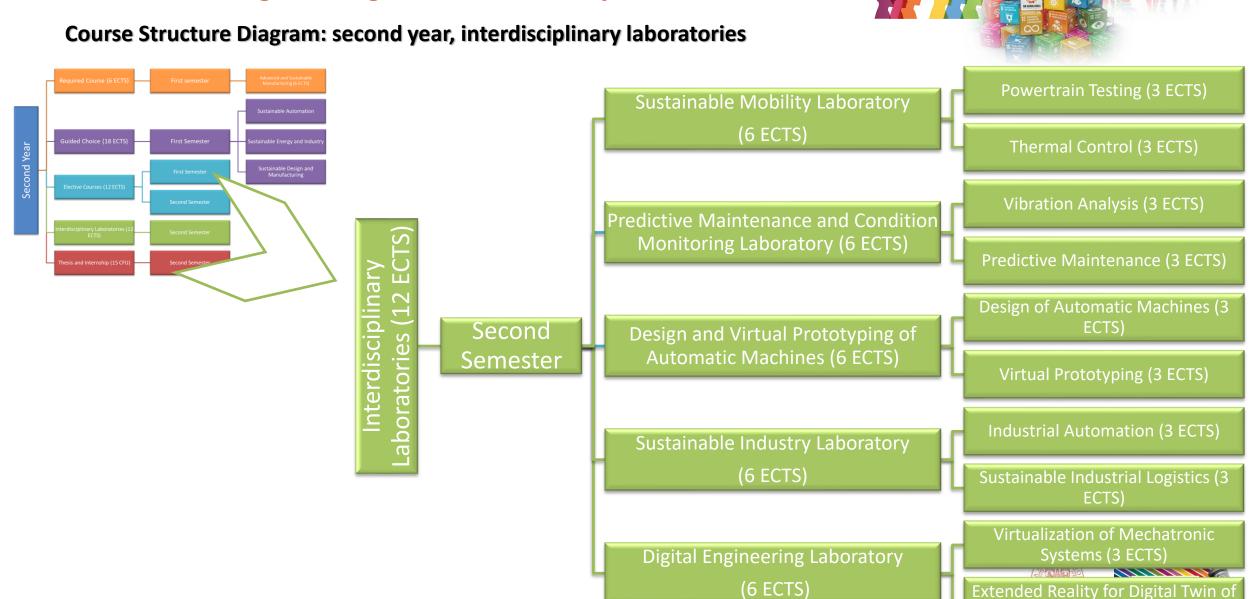
Theory of Systems and Controls for Automation (6 ECTS)

Heating, Refrigeration and Thermal Storage (6 ECTS)

Modeling and Control of Sustainable Powertrains (6 ECTS)

Materials Chemistry (6 ECTS)

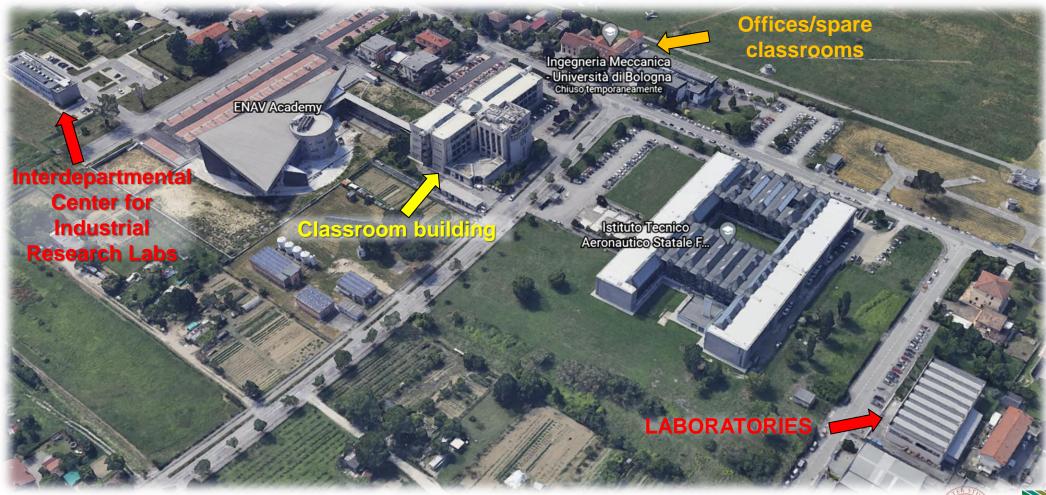
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Mechatronic Systems (3 ECTS)

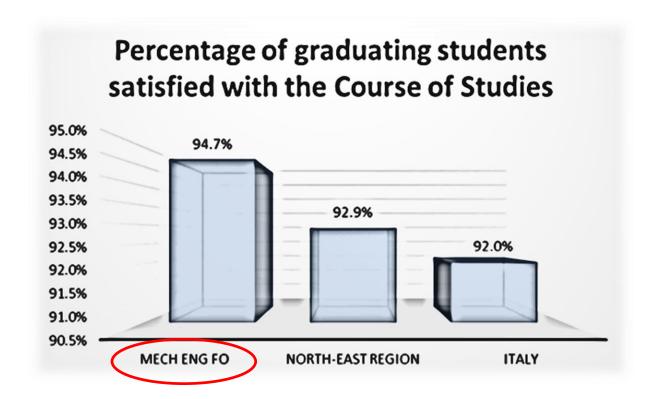
Where we are





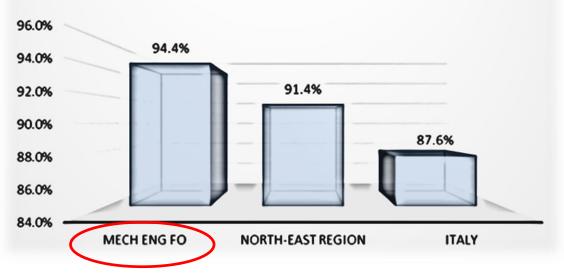
Our Numbers

Even though MES is a totally new initiative, our team has a strong track record of students' satisfaction and employability





Percentage of students working after 1 year from graduation





Useful links

- where can i get updated information on the course of study? https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/MechanicalEngineering-Forli
- **u** contacts?
 - Francesco Semprucci (course tutor): francesco.semprucci2@unibo.it
 - Giulio Traversa (tutor for international mobility):
 didatticaforli.internazionalizzazione.ing@unibo.it
 - Giulia Chiadini (programme coordinator): <u>didatticaforli.ingstudenti@unibo.it</u>
 - Enrico Corti (course director): enrico.corti2@unibo.it
- ☐ specific information on the admission to Mechanical Engineering for Sustainability:

Programme enrolment: requirements, deadlines and methods — Mechanical

Engineering for Sustainability - Laurea Magistrale - Forlì (unibo.it)

Useful links

☐ General information on the enrollment procedure for international students https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-finalexamination/enrol-for-first-single-cycle-or-second-degree-programme ☐ General info for international students: <u>International</u> — <u>University of Bologna</u> <u>(unibo.it)</u> ☐ Grants for International Students: <u>Study grants and exemptions for international</u> students — University of Bologna (unibo.it) ☐ Information on Forlì Campus: Forlì Campus — University of Bologna (unibo.it)



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What you get

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- other economic benefits



