



**Productivity dynamics of Italian firms:  
Patterns, determinants and new challenges in the wake  
of the pandemic crisis**

A joint workshop organized by the Institute of Economics of Sant'Anna School  
of Advanced Studies and Istat

February the 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022

h. 11.30 – 17.00

Please use this [link](#) to attend the meeting

The workshop presents the first results of the Istat-SSSA joint research project on “The links between performance and organizational-strategic choices of enterprises: measurement and analysis”. In particular, the study of the productivity dynamics of Italian business firms is addressed, offering a micro-level perspective, and making use of the information retrieved by means of the integrated dataset developed by Istat in the recent years, which allow to provide a detailed and fine grained perspective of patterns, determinants and new challenges in the wake of the pandemic crisis.

### **Opening address (11.30-11.45)**

Francesco Maria Chelli | Director of Department for Statistical Production, Istat

Giovanni Dosi | Professor of Economics, Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna

### **Session 1 (11.45-13.15)**

#### **Patterns and determinants of productivity dynamics of Italian firms**

- *Productivity dynamics in Italy: learning and selection*  
Federico Tamagni | Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna
  - *From organizational capabilities to corporate performances: at the roots of productivity slowdown*  
Angelica Sbardella | Centro Ricerche Enrico Fermi
  - *Automation and employment: preliminary evidence for Italian firms*  
Daniele Moschella | Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna
- Chair and discussant: Jelena Reljic | Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna

### **Session 2 (14.30-16.00)**

#### **Challenges ahead for the Italian productive system: from the pandemic crisis to sustainability**

- *Firm responses to the pandemic crisis: sticky capabilities and widespread restructuring*  
Maria Enrica Virgillito | Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna
  - *Italian firms in times of troubles: Covid-19 pandemic as a test of structural solidity*  
Federico Sallusti | Istat
  - *Sostenibilità ambientale, profili strategici e performance delle imprese manifatturiere italiane*  
Stefano De Santis | Istat
- Chair and discussant: Marco Grazzi | Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

### **Round table (16.00-17.00)**

#### **Taking stock of the evidence and further steps**

- Giovanni Dosi | Professor of Economics, Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies
  - Roberto Monducci | Professional Affiliate at Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies and Advisor of the Minister of sustainable infrastructures and mobility
  - Fabio Rapiti | Director of Economic Statistics, Istat
- Chair: Stefano Costa | Istat