Chiara Fusar Bassini

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Education

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, US, Visiting PhD

Jan 2025 - currently

- Affiliations: Laboratory for Information and Decision Systems, Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
- Main supervisor: Prof. Priya Donti
- Notable achievements: Scholarship from the German Energy Agency (DENA)

Hertie School, Berlin, Germany, PhD in Machine Learning for Energy Markets

Jun 2023 – currently

- Affiliations: Centre for Sustainability, Data Science Lab
- Main supervisors: Prof. Lynn Kaack, Prof. Lion Hirth

Technical University of Berlin, Germany, Msc in Scientific Computing (Applied Mathematics)

Oct 2019 - Mar 2022

- Final grade: 1.2 (GPA equivalent: 3.8)
- Master thesis: *A time-expanded Knapsack Problem with quadratic constraints*

Bocconi University, Milan, Italy, Bsc in Economics, Management and Computer Science

Sep 2016 - Jul 2019

- Science
- Final grade: 110/110 cum laude (GPA equivalent: 4.0)
- Bachelor thesis: The role of Social Time Preference in Integrated Assessment Modelling for Climate Change
- Notable achievements: Exchange semester to the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (2019)

Professional experience

Teaching Assistant, Hertie School, Berlin, Germany

Sep 2023 - Jan 2024

• Lab session of the master course in Deep Learning (Winter Semesters 2023/24 and 2024/25)

Energy consultant, enervis energy advisors GmbH, Berlin, Germany

Apr 2022 – Dec 2023

- Managed and developed inhouse solar projects database
- Contributed to major improvements of the solar tender model

Working student, Vattenfall GmbH, Berlin, Germany

Nov 2019 - Mar 2022

- Prediction and clustering of energy consumption time series for the Data Science Team
- Managed and automated project documentation for the Solar and Battery Team

Technology intern, Energenious, Berlin, Germany

June 2020 – Sep 2020

• Interned in a start-up developing software solutions for decentralized energy supply

Publications

- Fusar Bassini, C., Xu, A. L., Sánchez Canales, J., Hirth, L., & Kaack, L. H. (2025). Flexibility of German gas-fired generation: evidence from clustering empirical operation. arXiv preprint.
- Fusar Bassini, C., Hackel, L., & Kirschbaum, T. (2024). *IDLEWiSE A Conceptual Approach for AI-Assisted Energy Efficiency in HPC Clusters*. Weizenbaum Journal of the Digital Society. Volume 5, Issue 1.

Academic service

- **Presentations:** Code.talk 2024 (Sep 2024), DACH+ Energy Informatics Conference (Oct 2024), Women in Data Science Conference (Mar 2025), MIT Energy Initiative (Mar 2025)
- Workshops (organized): Market Power in Energy Markets (Nov 2024)
- Workshops (attended): PERSEE Centre Summer School on sustainable energy systems (Jun 2025), BIFOLD Summer School on AI and ecological sustainability (Sep 2023)
- **Podcasts:** Environment Variables, Episode 80 (Sep 2024)
- Reviews: Environmental Modeling & Assessment (Springer Nature)

Leadership

Team member, Strommarkttreffen, Berlin, Germany

May 2024 - currently

• Organize monthly meetings of energy researchers and practitioners

PhD representative, Hertie School, Berlin, Germany

Jan 2024 - Dec 2024

• Represented the interests of PhD students on academic and administrative committees

Event organizer, Green Light for Business, Milan, Italy

Sep 2017 - Sep 2018

• Co-organized conferences and workshops on sustainability-related topics for a student association

Skills

Programming: Python (proficient), R, Matlab, SQL, HTML (knowledgeable)

Deep Learning Frameworks: PyTorch, scikit-learn (proficient), TensorFlow (knowledgeable) **Languages:** Italian (native), German, English, Spanish (proficient), French (knowledgeable)