



# Science Diplomacy and International Cooperation in Practice

*The engagement potentialities of research  
in addressing global issues*

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## Agenda

- 15:45 **Introduction**  
*Carla Savastano*  
Head of Unit for Development Cooperation and University Networks,  
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- 16:00 **Science: a multifaceted diplomatic tool**  
*Emilia Giorgetti*  
CNR, International Relations Unit, Head of section XV: Americas and Spain;  
former Science Attaché in Mexico and Panama
- 16:20 **Tuning University to Univers(AL)ity**  
*Roberto Valentino*  
Associate Professor and Delegate to Relations with Africa,  
Università degli Studi di Parma
- 16:40 **Advancing INES-Ruhengeri's Strategic Vision  
through Internationalisation**  
*Mireille Biraro* Director of International Relations, INES-Ruhengeri  
*Theodore Habimana* Head of C.S. Department, INES-Ruhengeri
- 17:00 **Science Diplomacy in the era of geopolitical transformations:  
case study of Energy Diplomacy for Critical Raw Minerals**  
*Diana Shendrikova*  
Assistant Professor, Politecnico di Milano
- 17:20 **Questions and Discussion**
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- 17:35 **Refreshment break**
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- 17:45 **Cooperation projects founded by the University of Trieste**
- ✧ “Sostegno odontoiatrico, culturale, linguistico ai migranti dei centri di prima accoglienza - SOCLAM”
  - ✧ “Supporting Teaching Assessment for Courses in Kenya - STACK”
  - ✧ “Supporting Education In Physics - SEIP”
  - ✧ “Cambiamento climatico, conflitti e migrazioni: il corridoio etiopese-somalo e le possibili ricadute dello sviluppo infrastrutturale - CCMHOA”
  - ✧ “A Cross-Country Life Cycle Assessment to Improve Minimally Invasive Surgical Sustainability - SMILES”