

MASTER THESIS FINAL EXAMINATIONS RESULTS 2nd COHORT 2019/2021

On the 6th and 7th July 2021, the WACOMA 2nd cohort students graduated during the graduation session for the Academic Year 2020/2021. 20 students discussed with the Commission, Supervisors and Co-Examiners their dissertation thesis as an output of their research period spent at one of the 3 Consortium partners (Ravenna, Cadiz or Faro).

Students repesent several countries, from several continents; Africa (Egipt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Nigeria), America (Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Peru, USA), Asia (Bangladesh, Brunei, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Vietnam), and Europe (Germany, Spain)

Several students (7) focused their research efforts in the field of Coastal Zone Management, and 4 in Water Management. Some students dedicated their studies to Oceonagraphy (2), Legislation and Policies (2), Water pollution (3) and, finally, to Ecosystem Services (2).

The final results are very amazing: 11 students got the maximum grade (110/110) according to the Italian system, 9 of whom also got CUM LAUDE. All the other students also got a very high grade (between 106 and 109/110).

Prof. Elena Fabbri, UniBO, the WACOMA coordinator, said "We are very proud!! and we wish these 20 Wacoma students, coming from 18 different Countries, a great future and a successful career as Erasmus Mundus graduates!!"

Prof. Alice Newton, UALG, remarked "*It makes us all proud to see the success of these Early Career Professionalss and the results of their hard work and studies. They have had a difficult 18 months but have made use of time to build themselves into well-prepared water and coastal managers. Well done to all!"*

Finally, **Prof. Irene Laiz**, UCA, declared that "They were two exhausting but very emotional days, in which we all gathered together (although in remote!!) to listen to all the hard work that the 20 WACOMA students carried out during their research period. Two days feeling proud of each one of them for their achievement. Well done to everyone!! I wish them all the most successful future!"

All the students will participate in the International Conference in Water and Coastal Management (<u>https://www.wacoma.eu/</u>) that will be held online between the 19th-21st July 2021, organized by the University of Cadiz.

Now it is time for our new WACOMA Alumni to continue their path in the Water and Coastal Management!

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The graduated students





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