

# Curriculum Vitae of Morena Barboni

## Personal information

Name / Surname

**Morena Barboni**

## Current Role

Jul. 2025–Present

**Post-Doc Researcher**

University of Camerino, Italy

## Education

16 Jul. 2025

**PhD in Computer Science and Mathematics**

University of Camerino, Italy

Dissertation

*Enhancing Smart Contract Reliability: Dynamic Approaches for Quality Assurance*

Advisors

Prof. Andrea Polini, Prof. Andrea Morichetta

Feb.–Jul. 2024

**Visiting PhD Student**

Universität Passau, Germany

Supervisor

Prof. Gordon Fraser

8–12 Jul. 2024

**Summer School on Software Testing, Verification & Validation (TAROT)**

University of Bergamo, Italy

27 Sept.–18 Oct. 2022

**International School on Algorand Smart Contracts**

University of Cagliari, Online

27 Jun.–1 Jul. 2022

**3rd Blockchain and Distributed Ledger Technology School**

University of Cagliari, Italy

25 Oct. 2020

**Master's Degree in Computer Science**

University of Camerino, Italy

Curriculum

Software and Systems for Industries

Thesis

"SuMo: A mutation testing tool for Ethereum Smart Contracts"

Advisors

Prof. Andrea Polini, Prof. Andrea Morichetta

Grade

110L

16 Jul. 2018

**Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science**

University of Camerino, Italy

Thesis

"A scheduling service for a lithographic company"

Advisor

Prof. Andrea Polini

Grade

110L

## Research Experience

Research Interests

Test Automation · Mutation Testing · Software Reliability · Blockchain Systems

Research Activities

2023–2025

**Research Collaborator**, Quantstamp

Industry Supervisors

Dr. Sebastian Banescu, Dr. Edward Zulkoski

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| Description                | Focused on integrating the <i>SuMo</i> mutation testing framework into Quantstamp's smart contract auditing workflow, enhancing automation and reliability in security assessments.  |
| 15 Mar. 2021 – Nov. 2021   | <b>Research Fellow</b> , Software And Knowledge-Based Systems (SaKS) group, CNR–I.A.S.I. (Istituto di Analisi dei Sistemi ed Informatica "A. Ruberti"), Rome, Italy.   |
| Project                    | PRIN 2017 – Solutions for Engineering Microservices Architectures (SISMA)  |
| Supervisors                | Prof. Antonia Bertolino, Prof. Guglielmo De Angelis  |
| Description                | Contributed to improving the quality of microservice-based architectures by designing and implementing field testing techniques, enabling testing activities directly in production environments.  |
| <b>Teaching Experience</b> |  |
| 2024–Present               | Tutor, <i>Software Engineering</i> , University of Camerino  |
| 2022–Present               | Supervisor of Bachelor's and Master's theses, University of Camerino   |
| Apr. 2025 – May 2025       | Lecturer, " <i>Blockchain: Solutions, Application Scenarios and Opportunities</i> ", 1st Level Master <i>Digital Solutions Manager</i> , University of Camerino  |
| 22–26 Jan. 2024            | Local organizer and lecturer, " <i>International Winter School on Blockchain Technology and Applications – Hyperledger</i> ", University of Camerino   |
| 12–16 Dec. 2022            | Local organizer and lecturer, " <i>International Winter School on Blockchain Technology and Applications – Hyperledger</i> ", University of Camerino   |
| <b>Publications</b>        |  |
| 2025                       | <b>Morena Barboni</b> , Guglielmo De Angelis, Andrea Morichetta, and Andrea Polini. " <i>Wielding blockchain transactions for capture-replay testing of upgradeable smart contracts.</i> " <i>ACM Transactions on Internet Technology (ToIT)</i> , 2025.   |
| 2025                       | <b>Morena Barboni</b> , Filippo Lampa and Andrea Morichetta, Andrea Polini. " <i>Alchemist: LLM-driven test generation using Solidity mutants and the scientific method.</i> " <i>International Conference on Blockchain and Cryptocurrency (ICBC)</i> , 2025.   |
| 2025                       | <b>Morena Barboni</b> , Filippo Lampa, Andrea Morichetta, Andrea Polini, and Edward Zulkoski. " <i>Alchemist: LLM-driven test generation using Solidity mutants and the scientific method.</i> " <i>International Conference on Blockchain and Cryptocurrency (ICBC)</i> , 2025.                           |
| 2025                       | <b>Morena Barboni</b> , Filippo Lampa, Andrea Morichetta, Andrea Polini, and Edward Zulkoski. " <i>Mutant-driven test generation for Ethereum smart contracts via LLMs.</i> " <i>IEEE International Conference on Artificial Intelligence Testing (AITest)</i> , 2025.                                     |
| 2025                       | <b>Morena Barboni</b> , Filippo Lampa, Andrea Morichetta, and Andrea Polini. " <i>Optimizing smart contract testing via neural-MCTS test prioritization.</i> " <i>International Conference on Blockchain Technology and Emerging Applications (BlockTEA)</i> , 2025.                                       |
| 2025                       | <b>Morena Barboni</b> , Filippo Lampa, Yuri Monti, Andrea Polini, and Federico Valeri. " <i>Mock once, test twice: reusing mocks for integration testing in microservice architectures.</i> " <i>International Conference on the Quality of Information and Communications Technology (QUATIC)</i> , 2025. |
| 2024                       | <b>Morena Barboni</b> , Andrea Morichetta, Andrea Polini, Sebastian Banescu, and Edward Zulkoski. " <i>Mutation testing of smart contracts as a service.</i> " <i>International Conference on the Quality of Information and Communications Technology (QUATIC)</i> , 2024.                                |
| 2024                       | Sebastian Banescu, <b>Morena Barboni</b> , Andrea Morichetta, Andrea Polini, and Edward Zulkoski. " <i>Enhanced mutation testing in support of smart contract code inspection.</i> " <i>International Conference on Blockchain and Cryptocurrency (ICBC)</i> , 2024.                                       |

- 2023 **Morena Barboni**, Guglielmo De Angelis, Andrea Morichetta, and Andrea Polini. "CATANA: replay testing for the Ethereum blockchain." *IFIP International Conference on Testing Software and Systems (ICTSS)*, 2023.
- 2023 **Morena Barboni**, Antonia Bertolino, and Guglielmo De Angelis. "Flakiness goes live: insights from an in vivo testing simulation study." *Information and Software Technology (IST)*, 2023.
- 2023 **Morena Barboni**, Francesco Casoni, Andrea Morichetta, and Andrea Polini. "ReSuMo: a regression strategy and tool for mutation testing of Solidity smart contracts." *Software Quality Journal (SQJ)*, 2023.
- 2022 **Morena Barboni**, Francesco Casoni, Andrea Morichetta, and Andrea Polini. "ReSuMo: regression mutation testing for Solidity smart contracts." *International Conference on the Quality of Information and Communications Technology (QUATIC)*, 2022.
- 2022 **Morena Barboni**, Andrea Morichetta, and Andrea Polini. "SuMo: a mutation testing approach and tool for the Ethereum blockchain." *Journal of Systems and Software (JSS)*, 2022.
- 2022 **Morena Barboni**, Andrea Morichetta, and Andrea Polini. "Smart contract testing: challenges and opportunities." *IEEE/ACM 5th International Workshop on Emerging Trends in Software Engineering for Blockchain (WETSEB)*, 2022.
- 2021 **Morena Barboni**, Antonia Bertolino, and Guglielmo De Angelis. "What we talk about when we talk about software test flakiness." *International Conference on the Quality of Information and Communications Technology (QUATIC)*, 2021.
- 2021 **Morena Barboni**, Andrea Morichetta, and Andrea Polini. "Sumo: a mutation testing strategy for Solidity smart contracts." *Proceedings of the IEEE/ACM International Conference on Automation of Software Test (AST '21)*. IEEE, 2021.

## Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue

Other language(s)

Self-assessment  
European level<sup>(\*)</sup>

**English**  
**French**

## Italian

| Understanding |         | Speaking           |                   | Writing |
|---------------|---------|--------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Listening     | Reading | Spoken interaction | Spoken production |         |
| C1            | C1      | C1                 | C1                | C1      |
| A1            | A1      | A1                 | A1                | A1      |

<sup>(\*)</sup> Common European Framework of Reference (CEF) level