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He has published more than 400 scientific papers and five books on computer networks, next-generation Internet, social networks and pervasive systems. In November 2017, it was included in "2017 Highly Cited Researchers" prepared by Clarivate and Web of Science, for being among the top 1% researchers whose articles on *Computer Science* have been most cited.

Since March 2018 he has been a member of Gruppo 2003, which brings together Italian scientists working in Italy and appearing in the lists of the most cited researchers in the world for scientific literature.

In December 2018 he was awarded the title of "Commendatore" by the President of the Republic, Sergio Mattarella, for his scientific merits.

In 2005 he co-founded the magazine *Pervasive and Mobile Computing* (Elsevier) and, currently, he is Editor-in-Chief for the special issues of the magazine. From 2009 to 2018 he was Editor-in-Chief of the *Computer Communications* (Elsevier). In 2016 he founded, and currently is, Editor-in-Chief of the scientific *Online Social Networks and Media* (Elsevier).

Since November 2013 he has been a member of the Executive Council of the IMT Alti Studi Lucca School.

From November 2015 to December 2018 he was a member, in the role of Deputy-President of the Board of Directors of RFX, a public and private cartel that operates in the field of controlled nuclear fusion.

Since January 2019 he has been a member of the Board of Directors of START 4.0 ("*Security and optimization of strategic infrastructures 4.0*") and of the Technical Scientific Committee of ARTES 4.0 ("*Advanced Robotics and enabling digital TEchnologies & Systems 4.0*"). START 4.0 and ARTES 4.0 are Centres of Expertise selected by the Ministry of Economic Development within the Industry 4.0 Country Plan.