



# Federico Cecati

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## Basic Information

**Date of birth** 4th May 1994  
**Gender** Male  
**Nationality** Italian  
**Civil Status** Unmarried  
**Language** Italian(*Mothertongue*), English(*Proficient*), German(*Proficient*)  
**Driving license** A, B

## Engineering Education

### Guest Researcher in Electrical Engineering

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TECHNOLOGY - AALBORG UNIVERSITY

*Aalborg - Denmark*

*September 2020 - Present*

- He is a guest PhD researcher in Aalborg University under the supervision of prof. Xiongfei Wang and prof. Frede Blaabjerg.

### Ph.D. Student in Electrical Engineering

CHRISTIAN-ALBRECHTS-UNIVERSITÄT ZU KIEL

*Kiel - Germany*

*July 2018 - September 2020*

- He is a PhD student in Chair of Power Electronics in Kiel University under the supervision of prof. Marco Liserre. He gave lectures for the excitation part of the class of "Grid Converters for Renewable Energy Systems (GriCoRES)" and "Renewable Energy Systems (RES)" in the academic years 2018/2019 and 2019/2020. He attended several international conferences including IECON 2018 and IECON 2019, ECCE 2020 presenting his works.

### M.Sc. in Control Engineering with Honors

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DELL'AQUILA

*L'Aquila - Italy*

*October 2015 - October 2017*

- Thesis title: "Modeling and nonlinear closed-loop gait control of humanoid robots". Supervisor: Prof. Costanzo Manes; Language: English

### B.Sc. in ICT Engineering with Honors

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DELL'AQUILA

*L'Aquila - Italy*

*October 2012 - July 2015*

- Thesis title: "LQR optimal control of a ball-and-plate system mounted on an industrial robot". Supervisor: Prof. Costanzo Manes; Language: Italian

## Engineering Projects

### EKSH Fellowship

CHRISTIAN-ALBRECHTS-UNIVERSITÄT ZU KIEL

*Kiel - Germany*

*July 2018 - July 2021*

- He wrote a project proposal with title "Stability Analysis and Control of a Distribution Grid with High Penetration of Wind Energy" which was approved by Gesellschaft für Energie und Klimaschutz Schleswig-Holstein GmbH (EKSH). The acceptance of the project implies a grant of ca. 55000 € to the candidate distributed in monthly rates. Additional information can be found on the [EKSH official website](#). The research project is carried on in collaboration with Prof. Frede Blaabjerg and Prof. Xiongfei Wang from Aalborg university.

### Add on Project

CHRISTIAN-ALBRECHTS-UNIVERSITÄT ZU KIEL

*Kiel - Germany*

*July 2018 - July 2021*

- The english title of the project is "Design of an Add-on for power converter for active filtering, resonance damping based on measured grid impedance." The project is founded by Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft und Energie (BMWi), and include the German company [WS TECH](#) and Fachhochschule Kiel. The topic of the project is active filtering and ancillary services in Photovoltaic inverters.

### HEART project

CHRISTIAN-ALBRECHTS-UNIVERSITÄT ZU KIEL

*Kiel - Germany*

*January 2018 - June 2018*

The complete research project name is "the Highly Efficient And Reliable smart Transformer (HEART), a new Heart for the Electric Distribution System". His researches for this project were focussed on control of the Smart Transformer-Fed Grid with high penetration of renewable energies. Particular attention is posed on the phenomenon of Harmonic Instability caused by frequency couplings, interaction between power converters, computation and transmission delays.

## Scientific Publications

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He published 4 conference papers in IECON 2018, IECON 2019, ECCE 2020. The complete list of publication can be found in his [Google Scholar page](#)

## Scientific Activity

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### Technical Responsible of the organization of the international PhD course "Grid forming Power Converter, Smart Transformers, and Hybrid Grids"

Kiel - Germany

12-14 Februar 2020

He was the responsible for the organization of the industrial PhD course "Grid forming Power Converter, Smart Transformers, and Hybrid Grids" on its edition of the year 2020. The course has the duration of three days and includes both theoretical part, with frontal lectures and a experimental part, with exercitation in the laboratory of the Chair of Power Electronics, University of Kiel. More information can be found in the website of the [Chair of Power Electronics](#)

### Technical Responsible of the organization of the international PhD course "the Smart Transformer, its Impact on the Electric Grid and Technology Challenges"

Kiel - Germany

13-15 Februar 2019

He was the responsible for the organization of the industrial PhD course "the Smart Transformer, its Impact on the Electric Grid and Technology Challenges" on its edition of the year 2019. The course has the duration of three days and includes both theoretical part, with frontal lectures and a experimental part, with exercitation in the laboratory of the Chair of Power Electronics, University of Kiel. More information can be found in the website of the [Chair of Power Electronics](#)

### Reviewer for IEEE Transaction on Power Electronics and other Journals

He was invited by the Associate Editors to review various scientific papers submitted in the several journals including IEEE Transaction on Power Electronics, IET Power Electronics, Journal of Emerging and Selected Topics in Power Electronics, IEEE Access, CSEE Journal of Power and Energy Systems. Moreover, he reviewed papers submitted in several conference including PCIM Europe 2020, AEIT AUTOMOTIVE 2019 and POWERTECH2019.

## Awards & Scholarships

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### SCIENTIFIC

**ESKH Doctoral Scholarship Winner**, He won the scholarship provided by Gesellschaft für Energie und Klimaschutz Schleswig-Holstein GmbH (EKSH). The scholarship provides a montly stipendium for a period of three years to support a research project in the field of energy and climate protection. The title of the presented project is "Stability Analysis and Control of a Distribution Grid with High Penetration of Wind Energy". Additional information can be found on the [EKSH official website](#)

Kiel - Germany

**GSSI Scholarship Winner**, he won one of the four scholarships for Master Degree students provided by Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare (INFN) - Gran Sasso Science Institute (GSSI) branch, with merit. The duration of the scholarship is two years.

L'Aquila - Italy

## Research Topics and skills

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### RESEARCH TOPICS

- State Space Modelling of Power Electronics based Power Systems
- Stability Analysis of Power Electronics based Power Systems
- State Space control of grid-connected Power Converters
- Ancillary services optimization in renewable power plants
- Smart Transformer Modelling and Control

### BACKGROUND SKILLS

- Linear and Nonlinear Control Theory
- Model Identification, Kalman Filtering Theory and Stochastic Control
- Operative Research, Convex Optimization, Optimal Control
- Robotics and Motion Control
- Digital Electronics, FPGA and MicroController Based Systems
- Signal Theory, Digital Signal Processing and Filtering, Audio Processing

## Musical Education and Performances

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### Master Degree in Piano

CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC OF L'AQUILA

L'Aquila - Italy

October 2004 - July 2017

Ten years Conservatory diploma in Piano, with Maestro Luciano Bellini. In compliance with Italian law existing in 2017, the Conservatory diploma is considered as a Master Degree. Program of the final exam:

- **Bach:** *Italian Concerto*
- **Beethoven:** *Sonata op. 90*
- **Scriabin:** *Sonata n. 5*
- **Debussy:** *La fille aux cheveux de lin, La cathédrale engloutie*
- **Chopin:** *Nocturne op.37 n. 1, Nocturne op.27 n. 1, Mazurka op.63 n. 2*
- **Saint-Saëns:** *Le Cloches de la Palmarie*

### Music Composition Bachelor Student

CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC OF L'AQUILA

L'Aquila - Italy

October 2013- July 2017

He was admitted to the Composition class at the Conservatory of Music of L'Aquila, ranked first. He was a Bachelor student of Music Composition with Maestro Claudio Perugini as supervisor.

### Musical Masters and Performances

ITALY

Italy

- He attended with merit several composition masterclasses and seminars. He discussed his musical works with international composers including Sydney Corbett, Alessio Elia, Andrea Portera, gaining their appreciation. His works were performed in several concert halls, including "Auditorium del Parco" in L'Aquila, "Villa Castiglione Music Hall" in Florence, and "Auditorium of The Conservatory of Music of L'Aquila"
- He attended with merit to several piano masterclasses under supervision of musicians like Maestro Fausto Di Cesare, Maestro Massimiliano Scatena and Maestro Luciano Bellini. He plays music by Johann Sebastian Bach, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Ludwig van Beethoven, Fryderyk Chopin, Claude Debussy, Johannes Brahms, Aleksandr Scriabin and many others. He has played in several concert halls in Italy
- He attended with merit to several orchestral conducting masterclasses with Maestro Luciano Bellini. Most relevant performances: Beethoven 5th and 7th Symphonies, Dvořák 9th Symphony and Rachmaninov 2nd Piano Concerto performed with Orchestra Internazionale di Roma in "Torti Theater", Bevagna (Perugia) - Italy

## Extracurricular Activity

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### Member of Rock Bands

KEYBOARD PLAYER

He has been member of several bands playing different genres including Funk, Blues, Hard Rock, Progressive Rock, Classic Rock, Jazz. He likes improvisation, so he often performs in jam sessions in Kiel, in Rome and in L'Aquila.

### Theater Acting

THEATER ACTOR

L'Aquila - Italy

September 2014 - November 2016

He has studied theater acting under direction of Mrs. Rosanna Lancione.

## Personal Information

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ABOUT ME

I always have a mathematical approach to engineering problems and I like to see how abstract maths takes shape in real systems. I like to find relationships among apparently far topics and to observe the same problem under several points of view. I love music, cinema and art. I like nature, therefore I practice sports like ski, jogging, mountain biking and sea swimming. In the past I have practiced several team sports like football, basketball, volleyball, handball. I love to travel and meet new people.