

**Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum  
and Scientific and Teaching Activity of  
Walter Ambrosini  
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**Curriculum Studiorum**

- Secondary School “Classical Lyceum” (Liceo Classico "E. Repetti" in Carrara) achieved **full marks (60/60)** at the leaving exam in 1977.
- Degree in Nuclear Engineering with a thesis on the development and application of analytical methods for the calculation of the conductive heat transfer, from the University of Pisa April 12, 1985 with **110/110 cum laude**.
- PhD in "Nuclear Engineering Research Doctorate (Safety of nuclear plants)" achieved in 1989 at the National Commission with a work related to RELAP5 and CATHARE system codes, carried out as part of cooperation agreements between the department and the European Community.

## University Career

- Winner of the competition for a place as University Researcher (Assistant Professor) at the Faculty of Engineering of the University of Pisa for the disciplinary grouping I12, DR 1013 17/08/90 (OJ 93bis of 23/11/90).  
The initial classification in the scientific-disciplinary I12 sector has been clarified as a result of rearrangement of these sectors with the Belonging to I12B group - Nuclear Power Plants (with effect from 1/11/95), and later into ING-IND/19 - Nuclear Plants, in which Walter Ambrosini has carried out research and teaching activities. W. Ambrosini then received the confirmation role (tenure), with effect from 23 November 1995.
- Suitable for the selection procedures as Associate Professor at the Politecnico di Milano, for the scientific field I12B, decree No. 199 of 17/03/00 and published in the ordinary supplement of the Official Gazette No 30 - 4A special series - 14.4.2000.
- Associate professor at the Faculty of Engineering, University of Pisa from November 1, 2001, Following the deliberations of the Faculty of Engineering (4 October 2001) and the Senate (23 October 2001). Confirmed role (tenure) after three years.
- Full Professor at the School of Engineering, University of Pisa from November 1, 2016 (tenured).

## **SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES**

The scientific production of Walter Ambrosini, developed in the Nuclear Plants sector, involved issues related to thermal-hydraulic behaviour and safety of nuclear light water reactors and innovative fourth generation reactors. In the following a brief summary of the activities performed is provided.

### *1. APPLICATION AND VALIDATION OF COMPUTER CODES FOR THE ANALYSIS OF NUCLEAR REACTOR SAFETY*

This is an interest primarily developed during the years of the PhD (1986-88) and those immediately following that period, maintained to a lesser extent for many years through collaboration in activities carried out at the Department. The contributions in this field include:

- studies relating to the validation of the CATHARE code, which were the subject of the PhD work and were carried out over a long period (1986 -1991) in close collaboration with the team of developers of the code, which required repeated stays at the Center d'Etudes Nucléaires de Grenoble (CENG, F);
- the application of the RELAP5 code in the analysis of accidents in innovative reactors: The work, carried out as part of research contracts with ENEL, the Italian Electrical Utility, enabled the deepening of the safety issues of AP600 and SBWR reactors, highlighting the need for a new simulation philosophy, based on integrated primary system and containment calculations;
- the contribution to the reflection on the accuracy of calculation of thermal-hydraulic codes: It is a modest contribution in this area, consisting in the conception of a technique based on Fast Fourier Transform (FFTBM), in use today at some research centers, for the quantification of code accuracy in the prediction of experimental tests on small-scale equipment;

- collaboration in the design of experimental tests prescribed under the Boiling Instability Program (BIP): This is a proposal for experimental work that would have to be conducted on the facility PIPER-ONE, installed at the University of Pisa; the contribution made in this area has focused on the design of experimental tests with neutron feedback simulation;
- the application of the RELAP5 code to thermal-hydraulic benchmarks proposed in the frame of the STORM project (JRC, Ispra): It is a work performed in support to the experimental activity that has been carried out at the JRC STORM facility for the simulation of the behaviour of aerosols in the primary system of a light-water reactor as a result of a severe accident; W. Ambrosini has also served for a brief period in the "International Scientific Committee" of STORM, which had the task of suggesting the team of investigators experimental tests of greatest interest to reactor safety;
- supervision and support of the implementation of the RELAP5 code analysis of instabilities occurred in real systems: The accident analysis of LaSalle-2 and tests performed in the Ringhals Swedish BWR were the object of this activity;
- the application of RELAP5 code to experiments carried out on the heavy liquid metal (Lead Bismuth Eutectic) installed at the center of the ENEA Brasimone: it was a contribution given to the first studies on the application of the code of the experimental equipment Brasimone system, subsequently mainly conducted by Prof. Nicola Forgiione;
- the application of RELAP5 code to equipment with natural circulation installed at the University of Pisa and at international centers (e.g., Bhabha Atomic Research Center): it was an activity carried out on the fringes of the development of models developed on their own, which allowed to highlight the limits and potential of RELAP5 code in these applications; for the experimental equipment installed at the University of Pisa, this has also led to support the design of experimental activities related to it.

## 2. *THEORETICAL AND EXPERIMENTAL ANALYSIS OF BASIC THERMAL-HYDRAULIC PHENOMENA*

The contributions produced in this field include:

- the proposal and the application of mechanistic correlations for the analysis of basic phenomena:
  - collaboration in the development of a correlation for CCFL phenomena to the upper grid of nuclear fuel elements;
  - **proposal and validation of correlations** for the evaluation of the film thickness, the friction interface and the size of the drops of liquid in ducts with two-phase fluid in the annular flow regime, under the supervision of Professors. P. Andreussi (Univ. of Pisa) and B.J. Azzopardi (Univ. of Nottingham, UK);
- Theoretical and experimental studies concerning the removal of the passive residual heat by evaporation:
  - theoretical and experimental studies in relation to the evaporation of the liquid film, of considerable interest for the problem of passive cooling system some innovative reactors (AP600); this research, developed in 1993, was included in the projects of the

European Communities (DABASCO Project, SCACEX Project), aimed at the creation of databases for validation of correlations for the safety analyses of the containment system nuclear reactors;

- **statistical characterization of film waviness** on a flat plate, in support to the studies on heat and mass transfer with the liquid film; it is an ancillary research with respect to that referred to in the preceding paragraph, developed using a measurement technique based on the use of capacitive transducers, developed at the Laboratory "Scalbatraio" of Pisa University;

➤ Theoretical and experimental studies related to film condensation in innovative reactors:

- this line of research involved studies related to condensation in the presence of noncondensable gases, another issue of great interest to the nuclear power plants; Developed since 1992, these studies were involved in a European project (INCON Project), aimed at providing data for safety analyses for nuclear reactors of innovative type;
- further activity has involved the development of an experimental apparatus for the study of condensation on a flat plate (CONAN), which provided results of considerable interest for the validation of the heat transfer correlations related to this phenomenon and for the comparison with computational fluid dynamics calculations;
- in this context it is worth mentioning the use of CONAN experimental data for the proposal and the development of Benchmark studies, whose data were collected and processed in person by the candidate within the Network of Excellence SARNET and the subsequent SARNET 2; international benchmarking was directed by W.A. in this frame;

➤ theoretical and experimental studies in relation to the natural circulation and assisted by injection of gas injected in subcritical reactors (ADS):

- experimental studies carried out by means of an apparatus which allows the study of both the natural circulation and the principle of "air-lifting", with friction variation in the loop; the research provided results of interest to the understanding of phenomena at the basis of the cooling of Accelerator Driven System reactors;
- collaboration in the interpretation of experimental data obtained by means of equipment installed at the ENEA Brasimone Center, operating with the eutectic Pb-Bi.

3. *DEVELOPMENT OF COMPLEX CALCULATION PROGRAMS FOR THE ANALYSIS OF PLANT TRANSIENTS*

This activity, which began with the cooperation to the development of FASTRAP code, was performed later under contracts with ENEL in the 1990-1993 period and required considerable commitment in person; it has allowed to gain experience in relation to the technical and scientific aspects linked to the choice of the most appropriate modelling and numerical techniques for the realization of codes for the analysis of the integral behaviour of LWR; programs, developed in FORTRAN, almost entirely on their own by the candidate, were subsequently used in researches relating to innovative reactors (the primary system FUMO Integrated Module and the ICONA program) or for the analysis of severe accidents (Thermal-hydraulic Module of the ECART code).

#### 4. DEVELOPMENT OF NUMERICAL MODELS FOR ANALYSING PHENOMENA OF INTEREST FOR NUCLEAR INSTALLATIONS

This area includes:

- the development and application of numerical methods for solving problems of thermal and fluid dynamics:
  - the development of a coarse-mesh method for heat conduction in heating structures, for plane, cylindrical and spherical geometries;
  - the proposal of an algorithm based on the characteristic form of the balance equations for the analysis of thermal-hydraulic transients;
  - the development and application of a semi-implicit numerical method for the analysis by means of direct numerical simulation of the instabilities which lead to turbulence in a cavity with differential heating;
  - the development of a low diffusivity numerical method for the study of instabilities in the single-phase thermosyphon loops and its subsequent adaptation to the case of supercritical fluids;
- the study of the instabilities that occur in single-phase circuits within the natural circulation:

it is a research started as part of a collaboration with the Nuclear Regulatory Body of Argentina (Autoridad Regulatoria Nuclear, Buenos Aires, Ing. Juan Carlos Ferreri), initially carried out through the use of RELAP5 code for the purpose of evaluating its ability in the prediction of the stability conditions in loops; the activity has continued with a thorough analysis, supported by own analytical and numerical tools, which led to the development of a methodology to evaluate the effect of the discretization in space and time on predictions concerning the stability in finite volume codes and to the proposal of a low numerical diffusivity numerical method for accurate evaluations;
- the extension to the case of the boiling channel of the numerical techniques developed to study the stability of the single-phase thermosyphon loops:

This development has made it possible to verify the versatility of the developed methodology and to obtain interesting information on both the physics of density waves that relative stability conditions;
- the further extension of the numerical techniques mentioned in the case of instability in heated ducts to fluids at a pressure higher than the critical one:

it is a development obtained by searching dimensionless formulations useful for the development of stability maps, similar to those of the two-phase case; a particular formulation of the dimensionless parameters (identified by Walter Ambrosini in 2006) proved to be extremely effective in collapsing the density trends in dimensionless form as a function of the specific enthalpy in a universal trend, with very good approximation irrespective of the fluid and of the specific value of supercritical pressure; this has resulted in stability maps with a high degree of universality and then resulted in a dynamic similarity theory for these phenomena;

- the extension of numerical techniques and of dimensionless parameters obtained for the stability with supercritical pressure fluids to the case of natural circulation:

this development was first obtained by the adaptation of programs developed for the case under the conditions of two-phase supercritical fluid and then led to the development by Walter Ambrosini of an original calculation program for 1D analysis of circuits in circulation natural with supercritical fluid (year 2012), which was subsequently enriched by the introduction of a low diffusivity numerical algorithm and heat transfer correlations by students who operated under his supervision; the calculation program was also used by a researcher from the safety authority of Ghana and the University closely connected with it (Mr. Seth Khofi Debrah), who carried out a research training of a total duration of approximately 18 months at the University of Pisa,

5. *UTILIZATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF TURBULENCE MODELS FOR THE HEAT TRANSFER TO SUPERCRITICAL FLUIDS BY MEANS OF CFD CODES*

It is an activity of interest for the design of nuclear reactors cooled by supercritical water (SCWR), which began in 2004 with the doctoral thesis of Mr Medhat Sharabi, of which Walter Ambrosini was tutor, and with contacts with Prof. John Derek Jackson (then University of Manchester, UK) and Prof. Shuisheng He (initially Aberdeen University and now University of Sheffield, UK). This activity, which is still very active, involved:

- the application of two-equation turbulence models (e.g.,  $k-\varepsilon$  and  $k-\omega$ ) for heat transfer with fluids at pressure above the critical one:

from the beginning, it is sought to validate the ability of the models in front of numerous experimental data of deteriorated heat transfer, counteracting a tendency in the literature to show positive results only in comparison with one or two experimental cases; the need for significant improvements of the models (both  $k-\varepsilon$  and  $k-\omega$ ) was shown, especially in cases where the wall temperature exceeds the pseudocritical threshold;

- the application of four equation turbulence models for heat transfer with fluids at pressure above the critical one:

The suggestion from literature to use algebraic models for turbulent heat flux (AHFM) was considered, requiring the evaluation of the squared temperature fluctuations and of their dissipation; in this case it is necessary to add two partial differential transport equations derived for these two additional quantities; the use of these models has shown advantages that are dependent on the boundary conditions, whereby one recent effort (as part of the Doctoral thesis of Dr. Andrea Pucciarelli) consisted in defining the value of certain constants as a function of dimensionless parameters;

- adaptation of low Reynolds number turbulence models for the prediction of surface roughness effects:

it was tried to put a lower limit on the reduction of the production of turbulence that is obtained when the deterioration of the heat transfer with supercritical fluids is due to laminarisation, consequent to the effects of mixed convection; this attempt has led to a methodology, originally developed by Walter Ambrosini and refined by PhD and graduate students, for the evaluation of the friction factor on rough surfaces by means of turbulence injection through sources depending on the height of surface roughness; the methodology also applies to single-phase

subcritical pressure fluids and therefore represents a general result, obtained aside of the main line of research on supercritical fluids;

➤ the research and development of a theory of "fluid-to-fluid" similarity for the heat transfer with supercritical fluids:

the theory was proposed originally by Walter Ambrosini, as an extension of the similarity theory developed for the stability of supercritical flows, obtaining promising results with some RANS calculations; it has, however, requested further development by the PhD student Ing. Andrea Pucciarelli, which only recently succeeded to make it particularly efficient; after an initial validation with results of RANS calculations, currently the theory is being validated with DNS and LES calculations; there are not, however, currently available experimental data sufficient to allow for an experimental validation, due to the extreme diversity of operating conditions adopted for different fluids: it is believed that the theory proposed, based on theoretical and convincing evidence from numerical considerations, is presently very promising.

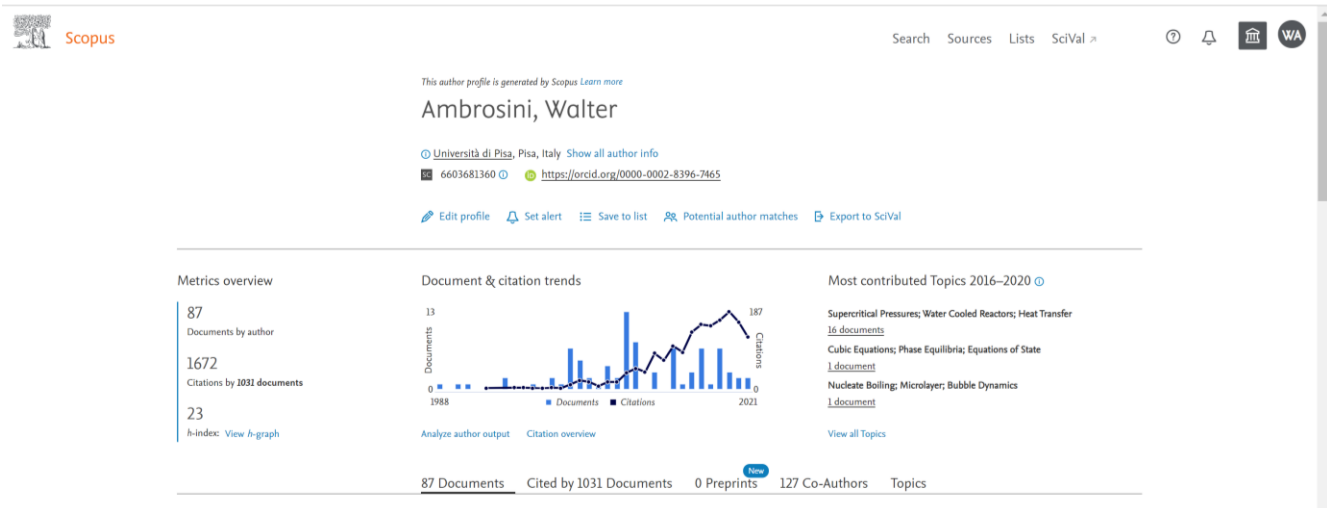
6. *APPLICATION OF CFD CODES FOR THE ANALYSIS OF INSTABILITIES IN SYSTEMS CONTAINING PRESSURIZED FLUIDS ABOVE THE CRITICAL PRESSURE*

As a by-product of the analysis of heat transfer with fluid pressure above the critical threshold, it has been successfully attempted to apply computational fluid dynamics codes (CFD) in the analysis of instability of the flow in the heated systems containing pressurized fluids higher than that critical. Early attempts (to our knowledge this was the first ever executed in the world), suggested to Dr. Medhat Sharabi as part of his doctorate, have proven so promising that they developed in a specific new line of research, also carried out on his own by Walter Ambrosini and involving the support of graduating students (e.g., Ing. Eugenio Molfese), and, subsequently developed in the training of a researcher from the safety authority of Ghana and the University closely connected with it (Mr. Emmanuel Ampomah-Amoako), who did an internship of 18 months at the University of Pisa, on behalf of the IAEA and by the ICTP in Trieste, under the supervision of Walter Ambrosini. The result is a consolidated branch of research and application retrieved by other scholars (e.g., V. Chatoorgoon University of Manitoba, Canada).

**Evaluation of the scientific production of Walter Ambrosini**

As a result of the evaluation of the scientific production of teachers, followed by a special activated evaluation commission at the University of Pisa for the sector Industrial and Information Engineering, Walter Ambrosini it is now part of the higher "rating category" (4 over 4), which corresponds to the assignment of the higher proportion of university research funds.

The current bibliometric evaluation of WA from Scopus is depicted below:



## TEACHING CARRIED OUT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PISA

The teaching activity of WA started since November 1992 in support to the teaching in the frame of the Nuclear Engineering programmes (old graduate five-year course, undergraduate, specialistic and master) and in the Master of Science in Energy Engineering.

- Since the academic year 1993-94, Prof. Ambrosini delivered cycles of introductory lectures and exercises in relation to concepts of single-phase and two-phase fluid dynamics within the Thermal-hydraulics courses (Main Lecturer: Prof. F. D'Auria) in the five-year degree in Nuclear Engineering. The activity lasted until the reform of studies with the introduction of the new system according to the Bologna Convention.
- In the academic year 1997-98, WA also carried out a series of lectures as part of the course Numerical Methods for Nuclear Reactors (Main Lecturer: Prof. B. Montagnini) in the five-year degree in Nuclear Engineering. Since the academic year 1998-99 the semester course of Numerical Methods for Nuclear Reactors has been delivered entirely by WA until academic year 2004-2005.
- In the new educational system after the Bologna Convention, starting from the academic year 2004-2005, WA has been assigned to the module Numerical Models for Nuclear Reactors (6 CFU) of the integrated course of Physics and Numerical Models for Nuclear Reactors, in the MSc in Nuclear Engineering up to the academic year 2016-2017.
- Starting from 2001-2002 Academic and until the academic year 2008-2009 has been assigned to the module of Thermal-hydraulics (6 credits) as part of the course of Thermodynamics and Thermal-hydraulics in the 2nd year of the degree in Nuclear and Industrial Safety Engineering.
- Since the academic year 2010-2011, WA held the elective course of Thermal fluid dynamics and elements of CFD (6 CFU) for the three-year course of Nuclear Engineering and Safety and Protection, which lasted until the academic year 2013-2014.



- Since the academic year 2004-2005 he is teacher of the course of Numerical Simulation of Energy Systems (6 ECTS) whose name was later changed to Computational Thermal fluid-dynamics in the frame of the MSc in Energy Engineering at University Pisa, which he is still teaching
- From the academic year 2016-2017 WA teaches the 12 credits course of Nuclear Safety.

### **Tutor of Thesis and Ph.D.**

WA was tutor of more than 100 of the old educational system, three-year and specialist / master theses degrees in Nuclear Engineering and Energy Engineering and also for the "Semesteraarbeit" Erasmus students from the Technische Universitaet of Monaco of Bavaria ( Lehrstuhl a für Thermodynamics) which directed personally.

He has held and tutoring activities for the benefit of PhD in Nuclear and Industrial Safety in Nuclear Engineering and Industrial Safety (denominations that have occurred over time); in particular, he has been tutor of Mr. Matteo Bucci, Barbara Calgaro, Fausto Franceschini, Maria Cristina Galassi, Donato Lioce, Antonella Lombardi-Costa, Daniele Melideo, Fabio Moretti, Donella Pellini, Pesetti Alessio, Andrea Pucciarelli, Medhat Sharabi, Mariano Tarantino.

## **SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES**

### **Collaboration in research activities in the international field**

- Walter Ambrosini has been and is actively involved in first person in research activities developed at the international level including:
  - **European Project DABASCO** (4th EU Framework Program), having as its purpose the development of an experimental database for the containment analysis; in this field he has collaborated to theoretical and experimental activities on the evaporation of the water film, aimed at the study of passive cooling of innovative reactors;
  - **European Project INCON** (4th EU Framework Program), having as its purpose the study of condensation in the presence of noncondensable gases; in this area he has contributed to the discussion and to the simulation of experimental data relating to the condensation of finned tubes for the containment of innovative reactors;
  - **European Project SCACEX** (5th EU Framework Program), having as its purpose the study of the scaling laws for the analysis of phenomena related to the containment of nuclear reactors;
  - **Network of Excellence (NoE) SARNET and SARNET2**, for the study of severe accidents in nuclear reactors; in this context Walter Ambrosini helped with experimental studies conducted largely in person on the condensation in the presence of noncondensable gases (CONAN equipment) proposing and managing Benchmark exercises;
  - **European Projects managed by the European Nuclear Education Network** (<http://www.enen.eu/>), as **NEPTUNO**, **ENEN-II** and **ENEN-III**, **ANNETTE** and **ENEN+** having as their purpose the mutual recognition and the maintenance of high education standard in Europe in the nuclear field at different levels; this involvement in ENEN, supported by the Inter-university Consortium CIRTEN (<http://www.cirten.it/>), resulted later in the participation in the **Board of Governors of ENEN** (years 2010-2016) and in serving as **President of ENEN** (years 2013-2016) that will be discussed later.
  - **Consortium for the design of the IRIS reactor;**

- **European Project THINS** (EU FP7, Thermal-Hydraulics of Innovative Nuclear Systems), of which Walter Ambrosini was administrative manager for the University of Pisa;
  - **Internship Agreement with the International Center "Abdus Salam for Theoretical Physics" (ICTP)** that allowed the stages of Mr. Seth Kofi Debrah and Mr. Emmanuel Ampomah-Amoako, belonging to Ghanaian safety authority, at the University of Pisa for a period of 18 months each in the years 2011, 2012 and 2013. The internship work was carried out by two researchers in the direct supervision of Walter Ambrosini.
  - **Coordinated Research Projects of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)** entitled "Heat Transfer Behavior and Thermo-hydraulics Code Testing for SCWRs" (2008-2012), of which Walter Ambrosini has been part as a representative of Italian as part of a Research Agreement of which he was responsible and for which she created chapters of TECDOC the final.
  - **Coordinated Research Project of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)** entitled "Understanding and Prediction of Thermal-Hydraulics Phenomena Relevant to SCWRs", started in 2014 and completed in 2019, to which it belongs as a representative of Italian as part of a Research Agreement and which is **co-chairman** with Dr. Laurence Leung (Canada).
  - **MIT-Project Grant UNIPI:** "A novel physical representation for boiling in CFD". It is a grant for collaboration between the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and the University of Pisa assigned 1 January 2016 for a term of 18 months project.
  - **Involved in the EU H2020 projects ANNETTE, ENEN+, MYRTE, SESAME** being closed or running, and in the incoming projects **CAMIVVER, ECC-SMART**.
- Walter Ambrosini has also collaborated to a State of the Art Report (SOAR) research in the field of instability in BWR reactors promoted by the OECD-CSNI and developed by an international team: in particular, Walter Ambrosini was coauthored with Prof. Francesco D'Auria of Chapter 4 of the document, dedicated to the calculation models for the prediction of the stability of BWR reactors characteristics.
  - For about fifteen years Walter Ambrosini has worked informally with Ing. Juan Carlos Ferreri of the Autoridad Regulatoria Nuclear Argentina (now retired), with whom he partnered in fact on the topics of numerical prediction of fluid dynamic instability aimed at validating nuclear codes system.
  - WA was in charge of Inter-university Agreement between the University of Pisa and the Shanghai Jiao Tong University (2007-2008).
  - WA was responsible on several occasions of collaboration agreements funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with India (in particular, the Bhabha Atomic Research Center in Mumbai) and China (particularly with Tsinghua University):
    - Project of S & T Cooperation Between the People's Republic of China and The Italian Republic for the Years 2006-2009 and 2010-2012 (Tsinghua University, Beijing, Thermal Energy Department);
    - Project MST-10 (Indo-Italian Program of Cooperation in Science & Technology 2005-2007) with the Bhabha Atomic Research Center, Mumbai, India.

The collaborations have involved the stage at the University of Pisa to researchers from the BARC and the Tsinghua University for periods of a few months.

### **Participation in projects of national interest (PRIN)**

Walter Ambrosini has been involved in the operational units of the national interest projects managed by teachers of the Pisa nuclear group from the earlier years of work at the University of Pisa.

### **Seminars and educational work at research centers, universities and institutes of foreign education**

- In past years, Walter Ambrosini has conducted seminars at the Autoridad Regulatoria Nuclear Argentina (Ezeiza Center, Buenos Aires), the University of Manchester (UK) and the Robert Gordon University of Aberdeen (UK).
- WA was the lecturer of the **Summer School in Heat and Mass Transfer organized by the Lappeenranta University of Technology** (August 18-20, 2010).
- In September of the years 2008, 2009 and 2010 delivered lesson cycles of about 20 hours each during the courses of thermal-hydraulics of nuclear reactors organized by **the Institute des Sciences et Techniques Nucléaires (INSTN) of the Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique (CEA)** (Saclay, Paris) in cooperation with the Université Paris-Sud 11 for the M2 masters in Nuclear Engineering.

### **Participation in doctoral committees and benchmarking at other universities**

Walter Ambrosini has been part of the final exam doctoral committees on numerous occasions, including:

- University of Palermo (2004)
- Politecnico di Torino (2006)
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- Institute de Physique Nucleaire, Orsay, Paris (2009)
- Politecnico di Torino (the year 2012)
- Politecnico di Milano (Year 2012)
- Lappeenranta University of Technology (2012, as "opponent")
- Université Pierre et Marie Curie (2014)
- University of Genoa (2015)
- Politecnico di Milano (2015)
- Technische Universitaet Muenchen (2015)
- More, recently...

WA was also the external expert for doctoral theses (Victoria University of Melbourne, Australia, 2012; Homi Bhabha National Institute, India, 2016).

In 2000 and in 2006 Walter Ambrosini has served on committees for comparative evaluations for posts of assistant professor, both at the Politecnico di Torino (19/9/2000 and 9/8/2006). WA was also a committee member for confirmation in the role of researchers.

WA is presently member of the National Commission for granting the first level of approval for Associate and Full Professorship in Italy (Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale).

### **Activities as Referee**

Walter Ambrosini was, on many occasions, the referee of works submitted for publication at international conferences or in journals, including:

- *Nuclear Engineering and Design*
- *Annals of Nuclear Energy*
- *Nuclear Engineering and Radiation Science*
- *Progress in Nuclear Energy*
- *International Journal of Multiphase Flows*
- *International Journal of Heat and Technology*
- *International Journal of Heat and Fluid Flow*
- *Latin American Applied Research Journal*
- *Journal of Process Mechanical Engineering*
- *Journal of Mechanical Engineering Science*
- *International Journal of Thermal Sciences*
- *Science and Technology of Nuclear Installations*
- *Journal of Supercritical Fluids*
- *Journal of Experimental Thermal and Fluid Sciences*
- *Journal of Applied Thermal Engineering*
- *Acta Mechanica*
- *and more.*

Walter Ambrosini was also referee for projects proposed at the international level and periodic research facilities assessments for organizations such as:

- *Natural Science and Engineering Research Council (NSERC, Canada)*
- *Swiss National Science Foundation (Switzerland)*
- *CEA - Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique (France)*
- *Israel Science Foundation (Israel)*
- *European High-Performance Infrastructures in Turbulence (EuHIT)*
- *Evaluation Agency for Research and Higher education (AERES, France)*
- *European Commission*

### **Activities as Editor of international journals**

From July 2003 until 2016, Walter Ambrosini was Subject Editor for matters related to Heat and Mass Transfer of the **Latin American Applied Research Journal** (v. Site <http://www.laar.uns.edu.ar>).

Since 2016, WA is Associate Editor of the **ASME Journal of Nuclear Engineering and Radiation Science** (<https://journaltool.asme.org/home/JournalDescriptions.cfm?journalId=28&Journal=NERS> )

### **Involvement in technical committees of International Meetings and Conferences**

On several occasions, Walter Ambrosini has been involved in the organization of international meetings and conferences. It is reported a subset related to recent years.

- IAEA Technical Meeting on "Heat Transfer, Thermal-Hydraulics and System Design for Supercritical Water Cooled Reactors" University of Pisa, Pisa, Italy, July 5-8, 2010 (**Meeting Coordinator**)
- The 5th International Symposium on Supercritical Water-Cooled Reactors (ISSCWR-5), March 13-16, 2011 Sheraton Wall Center Hotel, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, (Session Chairman)
- The 6th International Symposium on Supercritical Water-Cooled Reactors (ISSCWR-6), March 03-07, 2013 Kingkey Palace Hotel, Shenzhen, Guangdong, China, (Technical Committee)
- FISA 2013, 8th European conference on Euratom research and training in reactor systems, 14-17 October 2013, Vilnius, Lithuania, Workshop II, Nuclear Fission Education and Training (ENEN) and the NUSHARE Project (Safety Culture Competences), (Organizer and Moderator )
- The 7th International Symposium on Supercritical Water-Cooled Reactors (ISSCWR-7) March 15-18, 2015 Radisson Blu Royal Hotel, Helsinki, Finland, (Technical Committee)
- ICONE 24, International Conference on Nuclear Engineering, Charlotte Convention Center, Charlotte, NC, Conference, June 26-30, 2016, (Track Co-Chair)
- More...

### **Various Qualifications**

- W. Ambrosini was patented for the profession of Engineer in Italy in the examination session of April 1985.
- He also qualified as a teacher in secondary schools for the matters of "Physics (XLIV)" and "Physics, Nuclear and Related Technologies Equipment (XLV)" (contests organized with DM 03.23.1990). At the first of the two competitions, the Chair of Physics achieved was later rejected by opting for the entry into service as a researcher at the University of Pisa.

### **Results of participation in competitions at Research Institutions (in his youth)**

In 1986 Walter Ambrosini was in first place in the merit list of ENEA competition for the recruitment of 22 graduates in Nuclear Engineering Official Gazette of October 15, 1985 - FI n. 243 and in sixth place in the final ranking of the competition ENEL 4 / DG / 86 for nuclear engineers. In both cases, the resulting proposal recruitment has been rejected in order to complete the PhD Program.

### **Service Charges**

After some minor service positions, from November 2008 Walter Ambrosini has held the following service charges at the University of Pisa:

- **President of the PhD Programme in Nuclear Engineering** at the University of Pisa, in the various forms in which it is conjugated because of regulatory reforms that have taken place over the years (first PhD program, then program in the PhD in Engineering, then Doctoral Branch in the PhD in Engineering), in period **from November 2008 to April 2016**;
- **President of the Library of the Faculty of Engineering** University of Pisa from **January 2009 to September 2012**, the date on which entered into force the university reform ( "Gelmini"), resulting in a different organization also of the University Library System;

- **President of the Nuclear Engineering and Safety and Protection Programme (three years) and Master of Science in Nuclear Engineering from the academic year 2011-2012 to 2017-2018.**
- **Member of the Board of Governors of the European Nuclear Education Network (2010-2016)**
- **Member of the evaluating Commission for the Italian Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale (ASN) for the sector 09/C2, Fisica Tecnica e Ingegneria Nucleare (2018-2021)**

**Presidency of the European Nuclear Education Network (ENEN) (March 2013 - March 2016)**

In March 2013, after three years of stay in the Board of Governors ENEN Association (since 2010), Walter Ambrosini was elected president of ENEN (<http://www.enen.eu/>) as the first non-French president. The election marked the beginning of an intense international activity in the field of nuclear Education and Training (E&T), during which Walter Ambrosini has personally contributed to the Association's policies, aiming to achieve the goal of ENEN to qualify as the body of the E&T coordination at European level in the nuclear field. Since the main mission of ENEN is the maintenance and development of education in the various nuclear sectors (engineering technology and plant safety, radiation protection, management and geological disposal of wastes), Walter Ambrosini during his term has tried to bring together the different contributions from active sectors in a single pan-European effort.

In addition to managing the participation of ENEN projects in progress or just started (ENEN-III, TRASNUSAFE, NUSHARE, ENEN-RU-II), Walter Ambrosini has promoted the coordination of the Association and the participation in new projects approved field Euratom / Horizon 2020:

- **CORONA-II**, For the creation of an academy of training in the field of pressurized water reactors of Russian design sector (VVER); The project is coordinated by Kozloduy NPP;
- **ANNETTE** (Advanced Networking for Nuclear Education and Training and Transfer of Expertise), coordinated by ENEN, whose general context is the coordination between the various nuclear sectors and the main purpose is the development of a second level Master (for "continuous professional development") in the areas of fission (plant technology, radiation protection and geological disposal); this project was completely cured in its general structure by Walter Ambrosini as President of ENEN, coordinating the collaboration in its preparation by the work package leader; once approved the proposal (for 2.5 Mln Euro), Walter Ambrosini has personally supervised the preparation of the Grant Agreement.

During his presidency, it was also possible for ENEN to achieve an additional financing by the EACEA for the mobility of students and teachers between Europe and Japan (EUJEP-2) which has had particular relevance after the Fukushima accident.

Having passed a set of internal management difficulties and stabilized the structure of the Association, Walter Ambrosini then proceeded to fill a gap on the statutory term in the office of President (to which there were no upper limits in duration) bringing together a working group that established in four years the maximum term of office of a President and six years in the presence on the Board of Governors. This latter limit has therefore determined its stepping down as president in March 2016 (having been part of the BoG since 2010), thus promoting a healthy alternation. The President currently in office is Prof. Leon Cizelj of the Jozef Stefan Institute (Ljubljana, Slovenia).

The experience of the ENEN Presidency proved to be an opportunity for professional growth, having responsibilities at European level and the resulting tasks of the Association representation in bodies such as the European Community itself, technology platforms (SNE-TP, MELODI, IGD -TP), the three

pillars dell'SNE-TP (NUGENIA, ESNII and NC2I), the European Nuclear Energy Forum (ENEF), FORATOM, the European Nuclear Society (ENS) as well as the 70 members of the Association.

During his presidency, Walter Ambrosini had also the opportunity to celebrate the tenth anniversary from the founding of the Association, which has had particular relevance to the coincidence with the organization of the FISA Meeting in 2013. Walter Ambrosini has also promoted new Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between ENEN and various organizations, including the ENEN sister network for education in the field of fusion (FuseNet, <http://www.fusenet.eu/>), thus allowing a further form of coordination, in line with the general line given by his presidency.

### **Activities as panelist**

Mainly as a result of the chairmanship of ENEN, Walter Ambrosini was invited as a panelist on various occasions, including:

- NENE 2013 22nd International Conference Nuclear Energy for New Europe, September 9-12, 2013, Bled Slovenia, Round table discussion: New Generation (s) for Better Future
- ICONE 22, International Conference on Nuclear Engineering, July 7-11, 2014 in Prague, Czech Republic, 18-10 Panelist in session Education for the Next Generation
- ATOMEXPO 2015, Round Table "Methods and mechanisms of international cooperation to support E & T for sustainable nuclear power development", Moscow, Russian Federation, June 1st, 2015
- International Workshop "Five years after Fukushima: Finding the Balance", Rome, May 31, 2016, Panelist
- The 5th International Symposium and Seminar on Global Nuclear Human Resource Development for Safety, Security and Safeguards - Nuclear Security and Safeguards - February 21 - March 3, 2016, Tokyo, Japan, Invited lecturer
- NESTet Conference, Berlin, 22-26 May 2016, Participant in the Round Table on the ANNETTE Open Project Workshop

### **Memberships and awards**

- Member of the American Nuclear Society (ANS)
- Member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME)
- Member of the Italian Nuclear (AIN) and of the European Nuclear Society (ENS)
- Member of the AIN's Board of Directors (since 20 July 2016)
- Member of the Board of Governors of ENEN (2010-2016)
- Member of the Italian Union of thermal fluid dynamics (UIT)
- In 2013 he was awarded the Certificate of "Excellency in Reviewing" by the Editors of Nuclear Engineering and Design, following a *review that allowed the authors of an article to reformulate correcting a misunderstanding about the reasons for an observed phenomenon. It is a recognition which, among others, I care very much for the motivation with which it was accompanied.*

## **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Excellent level of English spoken and written, with capacity to hold fluent lectures and presentations and to participate in meetings and round tables. Good knowledge of French and Spanish written and good speech understanding in both languages.

# General List of publications Walter Ambrosini

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