

Italian Astronomical Society

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Summary

- Introduction
- Current status
- Plans for IYA2009



Sait

Societa' degli Spettroscopisti → 1871

[Tacchini & Secchi]

Societa' Astronomica Italiana → 1920

[Cerulli (Pres.), Bianchi, Volterra, Garbasso]

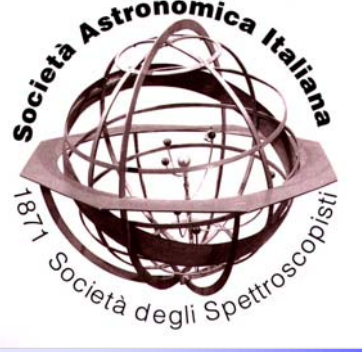
Current year ~500 members

45% Astronomers (INAF + University)

35% Teachers (High/Middle school)

15% Amateur Astronomers

5% Students (Master & Ph.D.)



Sait & Institutions

- **Ministry for Public Education**
- **Ministry for Arts & Heritage**
- **[Ministry for University and Research] INAF
Funds & FTEs (Secretary + Editorial Offices)**

- **Local Institutions** → **Projects (Planetarium in RC)**
→ **Specific Events (Sait Meeting)**

- **Membership fees (40 euro)**

Total 150,000 euro [FTE not included]



Sait Activities

- Annual Meeting (5 days) the next (LIII) in Teramo
- Two Sait-MPI Schools in Stilo & Pesaro
- Public Outreach in collaboration with INAF
- Grants: **Tacchini Price** for PhD Students
[Sun, Stars, Galaxy, Cosmology, Technology]

- Publications
 - Memorie Spettroscopisti (Italian) 1871**
 - Memorie Sait (English) from 1925**
 - Giornale di Astronomia (Rigutti, Italian) from 1975**

- Job Market → no initiative [Unfortunately!]



Sait Activities

**INAF & SAIT [twice per year, English]
School for Ph.D. students “Lucchin”**

This year we plan to publish on MemSait the lectures

Tarquinia (08/06/ -- 14/06):

Advanced Stellar Evolutionary Phases (G. Bono)

Technologies for next generation telescopes (R. Ragazzoni)

Asiago (September)

Galaxy formation (C. Chiosi)

AGN feedback (A. Celotti)



Sait Links

→ **Sait & EAS meetings**

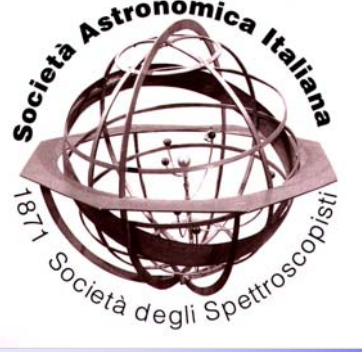
Catania in 1995

→ **Sait & SIF**

exchange speakers for meetings [time to time]

→ **Sait & Amateur Astronomers [limited]**

→ **Sait & European Instit. [limited, work in progress]**



Sait & IYA2009

- **INAF + Sait + Specola Vaticana**
Exhibition in Vatican Museums (Rome)
- **INFN + INAF + Sait + ASI**
Exhibition in Rome “Sky & Particles”
- **Closing of IYA in a Galilean City**
Padua, Pisa, Florence
- **INAF+MPI: The train of the stars [across Italy]**



Sait & Galilean Year

- **INAF + Sait + ASI + INFN + SIF**
Exhibition in Rome
- **Many local events across Italy**



and what about IYA2009?

Yes, Great Opportunity!

