

# Sediola Ruko

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## Current position

nov.'21 – **PhD Candidate.**  
university *University of Tuscia, Italy*  
research area *Computer Science*  
expected graduation date *November 2025*

## Education

dec.'14 – jun.'16 **Master of Science in Operation Research.**  
university *University of Tirana, Albania*  
extra Honours program

oct.'11 – jul.'14 **Bachelor in Business Informatics.**  
university *University of Tirana, Albania*

## Experience

### Research Position

nov.'24–ongoing **Researcher in Cybersecurity**, *Sapienza University of Rome, Italy.*

oct.'19–oct.'21 **Lecturer**, *Mediterranean University of Albania, Albania.*  
Courses taught Computer Networking  
Computer Architecture  
Management Information Systems

oct.'19–oct.'21 **Lecturer**, *University of Elbasan, Albania.*  
Courses taught Introduction to Computer Science

mar.'20–oct.'20 **Teaching Assistant**, *University of Tirana, Albania.*  
Course Introduction to Computer Science

### IT positions

oct.'22 –jan.'24 **IT support**, Tuscia University of Viterbo, Italy.  
 oct.'20 –oct.'21 **Webmaster**, Academy of Sciences of Albania, Tirana, Albania.  
 may.'18–may.'19 **IT support**, Volunteering Matters, Norfolk, England.  
 oct.'17–mar.'18 **Information security officer**, Agricultural and Rural Development Agency, Tirana, Albania.  
 mar.'16–oct.'17 **IT specialist**, Agricultural and Rural Development Agency, Tirana, Albania.  
 sept.'12–mar.'14 **Data Analyst**, Statistic Directorate, Gjirokastër, Albania.

## Internships

jul.'15 – sept.'15 **Intern**, *Regional Directorate of Forest Service*, Gjirokastër, Albania.  
 jul.'15 – sept.'15 **Intern**, *National Agency for Security Information*, Tirana, Albania.  
 jul.'15 – sept.'15 **Intern**, *Regional Directorate of Social Service*, Gjirokastër, Albania.  
 jul.'15 – sept.'15 **Intern**, *Tax Office in Municipality*, Gjirokastër, Albania.

## Research Projects

Jan.'22 –  
 university **Digital Mapping Application Researcher.**  
*Tuscia University of Viterbo, Italy*  
 Project **Map4Accessibility**, *European Union's Erasmus+ programme under grant agreement No. 2021-1-IT02-KA220-HED-0000303*

## Grants and Scholarships

nov.'21 – oct.'24 **PhD Scholarship.**  
 funding *Tuscia University, Viterbo, Italy.*  
 oct.'11 – jun.'16 **Student Scholarship**, *Bachelor in Business Informatics.*  
 funding *Municipality of Gjirokastër, Albania*

## Other Training and Activities

oct.'17 **Training. TAIEX Expert Mission on information security management.**  
**IPA funds**, Ministry of Finance and Economy, Albania.  
 aug.'17 **Youth Exchange. Beyond the Future**, European Commission, Belgium.  
 oct.'16 **Youth Exchange. Enhancing regional connectivity among Serbian And Albanian youth actors**, OSCE Mission to Serbia, Serbia.  
 sept.'16 **Youth Exchange. Enhancing regional connectivity among Serbian And Albanian youth actors**, OSCE Mission to Serbia, Albania.  
 sept.'15 **Training Seminar. LIDERA NATURALIS**, European Commission, Hungary.  
 jun.'14 **Debate Club. Award the second prize**, European University of Tirana, Albania.

jun.'13 **Participation in organizing group of Fourth International Conference “Information Systems and Technology Innovation: towards a digital Economy**, University of Tirana, Faculty of Economy, Albania.

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## Skills

### Computer Skills

programming languages	Python, PHP, SQL
markup languages	HTML
style sheet languages	CSS
frameworks and libraries	PyTorch

### Languages

native	Albanian
fluent	English
fluent	Italian

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## Publications

- [1] Andrea Zingoni, Sediola Ruko, Jose M Alcalde-Llergo, and Enrique Yeguas. **Customized Tourist Navigation in Urban Contexts Following General Trends and Individual Preferences** under submission, 2025.
- [2] Sediola Ruko, Jose M Alcalde-Llergo, Enrique Yeguas, and Andrea Zingoni. **Enhancing Tourist Experience via Automatic Personalized Route Suggestions** IEEE International Conference on Metrology for eXtended Reality, Artificial Intelligence and Neural Engineering, 2024.
- [3] Dorjan Hitaj, Giulio Pagnotta, Fabio De Gaspari, Sediola Ruko, Briland Hitaj, Luigi V. Mancini, and Fernando Perez-Cruz. **Do You Trust Your Model? Emerging Malware Threats in the Deep Learning Ecosystem** IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing, 2024.
- [4] Sediola Ruko, Andrea Zingoni, Raffaele Pelorosso, and Giuseppe Calabro. **Digital Mapping for Accessibility: a Comprehensive Review** under submission, 2024.
- [5] Sediola Ruko, Daniele Melloni, Andrea Zingoni, Raffaele Pelorosso, and Giuseppe Calabro. **Implementation of a Routing Application for People With Impairments**,

**Improved and Evaluated Through Service Learning** IEEE International Conference on Metrology for eXtended Reality, Artificial Intelligence and Neural Engineering, 2024.

- [6] Raffaele Pelorosso, Andrea Zingoni, Sediola Ruko, and Giuseppe Calabro. **Map4Accessibility project, an inclusive and participated planning of accessible cities: overview and first results** Innovation in Urban and Regional Planning: Proceedings of INPUT 2023 – Volume 2, 2023.