

Training And Research On Testing (TAROT) Summer School 2026

13-17 July, Munich, Germany

Theme: Testing, Validation, and Security of
AI-enabled Systems

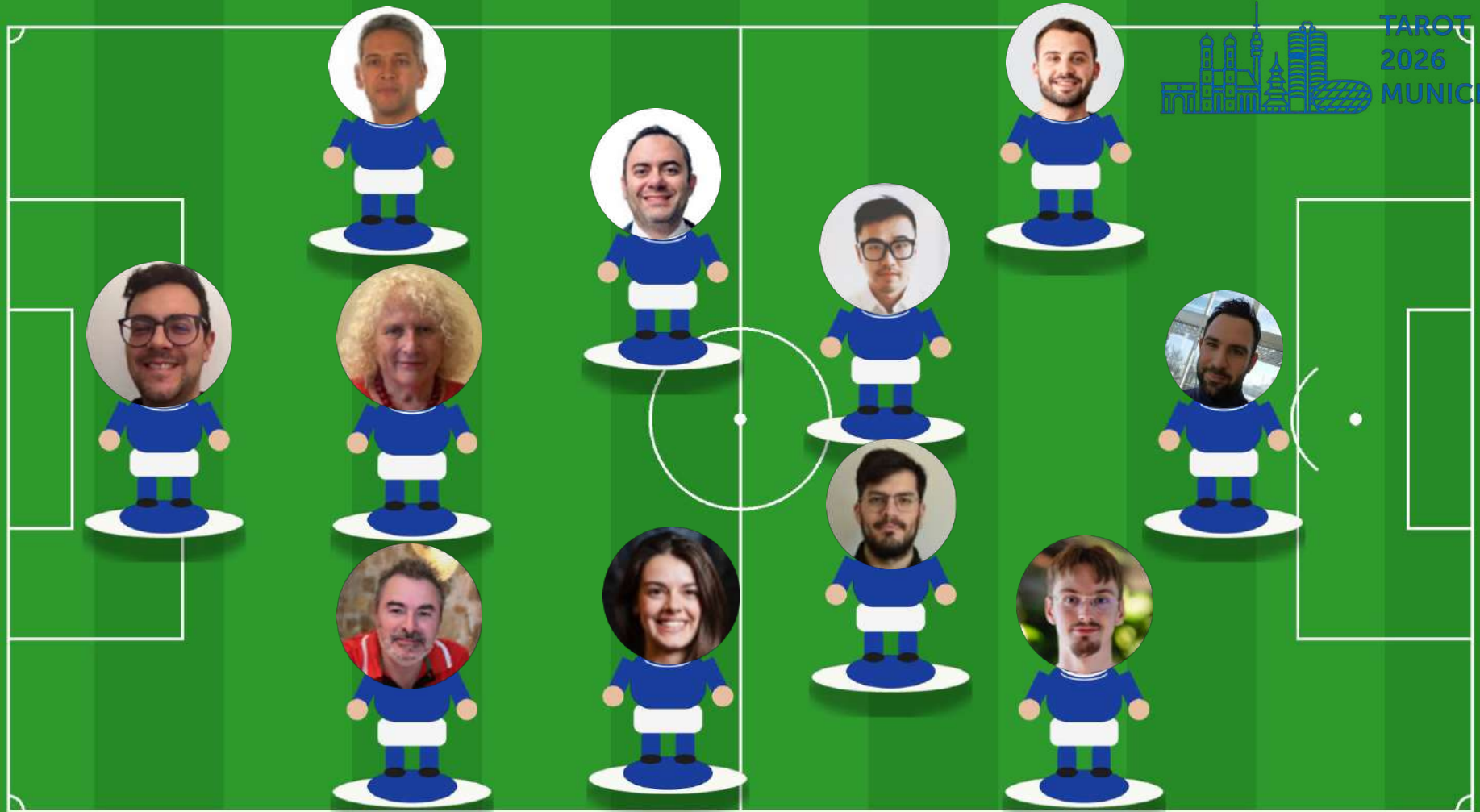
History of TAROT



- TAROT = Training And Research On Testing
- Founded in 2006, out of a Marie Curie project
- 21 editions across Europe over 20 years (Spain, France, UK, Austria, Russia, Italy, Portugal, and online)
- First time TAROT comes to Germany

Motivation of TAROT

- Software runs the world and, increasingly, AI runs the software. Rigorous testing, validation, and security are more critical than ever. 20 years of building Europe's testing community, now tackling the AI era
- TAROT is a community, a network created to foster the mobility of students, faculty members, and researchers working on testing of software and communication systems
- Learning from the best, tutorials and invited talks by key experts in the field, bridging academia and industry
- Focus for 2026: testing, validation, and security of AI-enabled systems: DNN-, VLM-, and LLM-based systems, autonomous systems, runtime verification, robustness, and AI safety, the trustworthiness challenge of our decade



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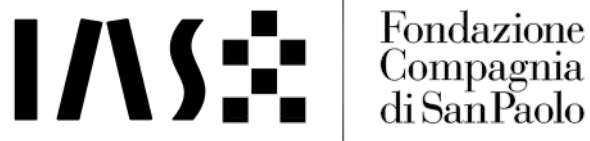
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2000Hz Physics Sim

Realistic Mirrors

Supporters

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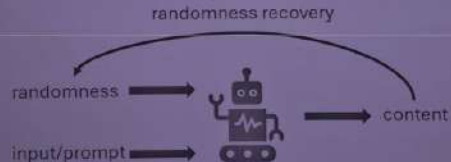


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It is designed as an open space where world-class researchers, industry leaders and innovators come together to shape the future of artificial intelligence for industry.

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AI FOR INDUSTRY
The Italian Institute of
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AI⁴I / CSP
IAS INSTITUTE
FOR ADVANCED
STUDY

OPERATING ENGINE: PROGRAMS AND OUTPUTS

Seasonal Schools

Multi days thematic schools

Research

Collaboration on scientific papers

Public events

Workshops, seminars, annual
lectures

Industry projects

Research teams and networking

A framework for the future development of IAS

Internships, joint
research
positions,
academic
networking

Focus on the
foundations of
Artificial
Intelligence

Joint participation in
calls and scientific
initiatives

Attracting talent and
strengthening the link
between research and
education

Enabling Actors and Ecosystems

Non-resident researcher

Internationally renowned experts for short stays in
Turin

Resident AI⁴I heads of RDE Labs and their teams

Industry and public sector

National actors

Universities and partners

leading national and international universities and
other research institutes

Governance

Strategic Committee

Guidelines, priorities, commitments; appoints the
Advisory Committee and Director

Associate Director

Plans and executes IAS activities

Scientific Advisory Board

The SAB brings together leading experts including
Pierluigi Contucci, Marc Mézard, Fabio Pammolli and
Riccardo Zecchina.
Giorgio Parisi acts as the Honorary Chairman of IAS
SAB.



A first year of
seminars, lectures,
and high learning



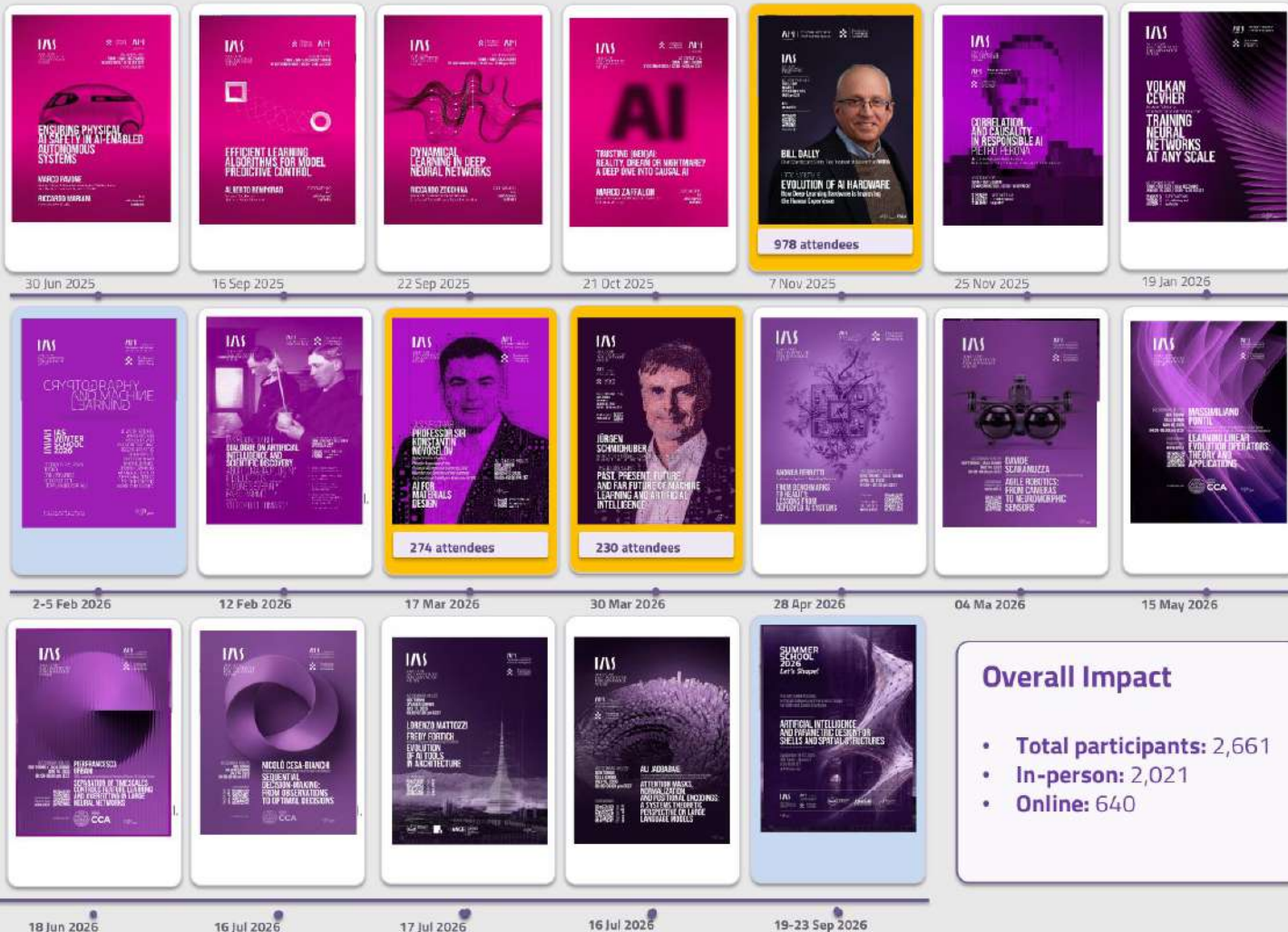
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Seminars

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School



Overall Impact

- **Total participants:** 2,661
- **In-person:** 2,021
- **Online:** 640



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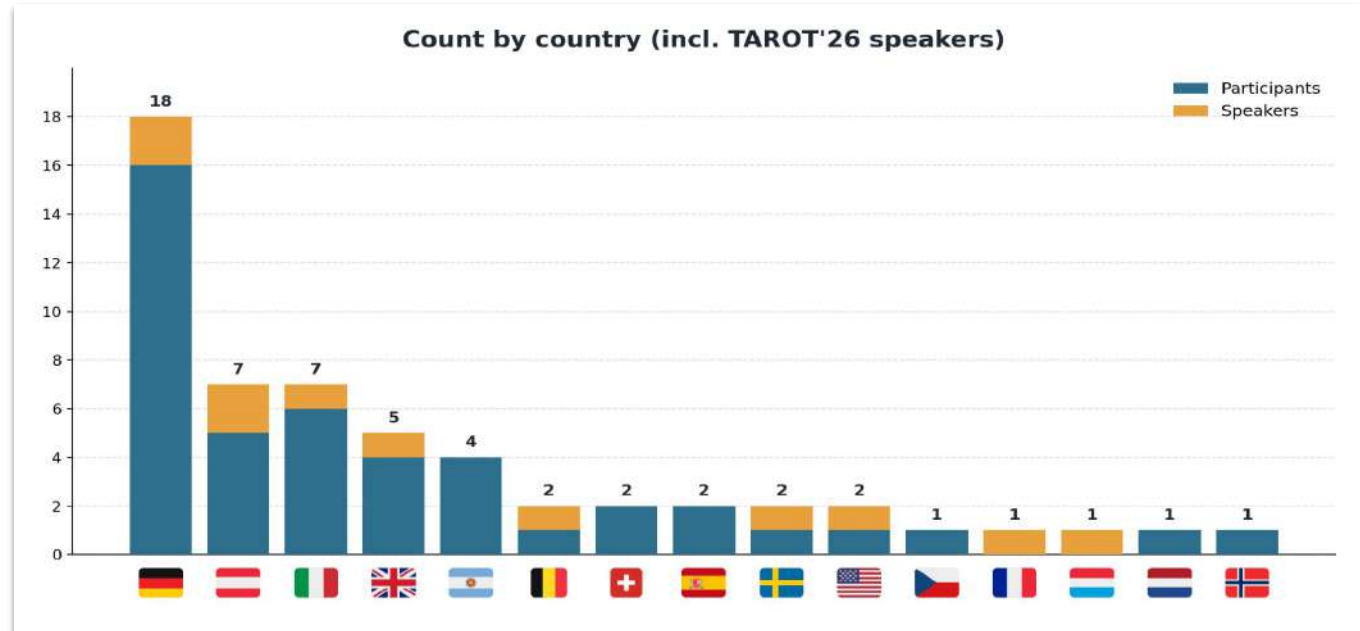


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Welcome and Numbers

- Students: 39
- Speakers: 11
- Countries: 15



The Week at a Glance (1/2)



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When	Monday 13	Tuesday 14	Wednesday 15	Thursday 16	Friday 17
Arrival 08:30 - 09:00	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration
Morning 1 09:00 - 09:45	Opening	K. Friedl and L. Sorokin	N. Franco	F. Pastore	G. Calikli
Morning 2 09:45 - 10:30	W. Mallouli	K. Friedl and L. Sorokin	N. Franco	F. Pastore	G. Calikli
Coffee Break 10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
Morning 3 11:00 - 11:45	S. Tong	K. Friedl and L. Sorokin	N. Franco	F. Pastore	G. Calikli
Morning 4 11:45 - 12:30	D. Ničković	E. Bartocci	S. Elbaum	S. Eldh	Closing
Lunch 12:30 - 14:00	Student Posters	Student Posters	Student Posters	Student Posters	Student Posters

The Week at a Glance (2/2)



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Lunch 12:30 - 14:00	Student Posters	Student Posters	Student Posters	Student Posters	Student Posters
Afternoon 1 14:00 - 14:45	D. Ničković	E. Bartocci	S. Elbaum	S. Eldh	Optional
Afternoon 2 14:45 - 15:30	D. Ničković	Student Talks	S. Elbaum	S. Eldh	-
Coffee Break 15:30 - 16:00	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	-
Afternoon 3 16:00 - 17:00	Student Talks	Visit / Tour	Student Talks	Student Talks	-
Afternoon 4 17:00 - 18:00	-	Visit / Tour	-	-	-
Free Time 18:00 - 19:00	-	Free Time Tollwood · Olympiapark	-	-	-
Evening 19:00 - 22:00	Reception	Free Time Tollwood · Olympiapark	Pizza Dinner	Biergarten	-

● Lectures
● Student contributions
● Social events / visits
● Breaks / logistics
● Opening / closing

Student Contributions

- Poster Sessions (1st floor, all week)
- Impulse Talks (Mon-Thu afternoons)
- Interact with the speakers, not all of them will stay throughout the week

Social Events



- Monday 19:00: Reception at TUM-IAS (last floor w/ terrace, Faculty Club)
- Tuesday 16:00-18:00: BMW World Tour
 - Recommended after: walk into the Olympiapark and Toolwood Summer Festival
- Wednesday 19:00: Pizza at L'Osteria Künstlerhaus (city center)
- Thursday 19:00: Augustiner Keller Biergarten (city center)
- tarot26.github.io/social-events/

Logistics & Tips



- **WiFi:** eduroam, BayernWLAN
- **Lunch:** Served at the TUM Mensa (approximately a 3-minute walk from TUM IAS). You will receive a lunch voucher each day
- **Coffee breaks:** Held on the 1st floor, together with the poster sessions
- **Toilets:** Located on floor -1 (downstairs)
- **Emergency:** Please contact the organizers or one of the student volunteers.

Student Volunteers

- Easily identifiable and available throughout the event to assist with (almost) any questions or logistical needs.



Stefano Carlo 🚗



Xingcheng 🧐



Manfredi ⚔️



Oliver 🎧



Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct

- TAROT Summer School is an ACM-sponsored event and follows the ACM Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct
- We are committed to ensuring a safe and welcoming environment for everyone
- Treat all participants with respect, professionalism, and courtesy
- Respect different viewpoints and engage in constructive discussions.
- Do not engage in discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or disruptive behavior
- Respect privacy and ask for permission before recording or photographing individuals
- If you experience or witness inappropriate behavior, please contact one of the organizers immediately.



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Welcome and enjoy
a wonderful TAROT!

