

Luca Maria Foresi

CURRENT POSITION:

Associate Professor of Paleontology at the Department of Physical Sciences, Earth and Environment, University of Siena.

EDUCATIONAL AND ACADEMIC BACKGROUND:

- 2017 Obtained qualification as a full professor in the Academic Sector 04/A2 - Structural Geology, Stratigraphic Geology, Sedimentology, and Paleontology.
- 2015 Associate Professor in the Academic Discipline GEO/01 - Paleontology and Paleoecology at the University of Siena, Department of Physical Sciences, Earth, and Environment.
- 2005 University Researcher and Aggregate Professor at the Faculty of Mathematical, Physical, and Natural Sciences, University of Siena, in the Academic Discipline GEO/01 Paleontology and Paleoecology.
- 1993 Ph.D. obtained in Rome on 19/07/1993, defending a thesis titled: Planktonic Foraminifera Biostratigraphy of the Middle Miocene of the Mediterranean and low latitudes with chronostratigraphic considerations.
- 1988 Bachelor's degree in Geological Sciences obtained at the University of Pisa with a score of 108/110 – Thesis titled: Geological survey and paleogeographic and paleoenvironmental evolution of the Neogene Basin of Baccinello-Arcille (Grosseto), discussed in Pisa on 20/07/1988.

APPOINTMENTS:

- President of the University Museum System of Siena (SIMUS).
- Member of the Governing Council of the National Park of the Tuscan Archipelago.
- Correspondent Member of the Subcommission on Neogene Stratigraphy (ICS-IUGS).
- Director of the Museum of Geological and Archaeological Sciences of Pianosa Island in the Tuscan Archipelago Park.
- 2015-2018 and 2021: President of the Committee for Earth Science Teaching (Bachelor's degree in Geological Sciences L34; Master's degree in Geosciences and Applied Geology LM74 at the University of Siena).
- Vice President of the Association for the Defense of Pianosa Island.

SCIENTIFIC INTERESTS:

- Micropaleontology of Neogene-Recent Foraminifera.
- High-resolution integrated biostratigraphy, biocronology, and cyclostratigraphy/astrochronology for the Miocene-Recent interval.
- Reconstruction of depositional environments, paleogeography, and tectonic evolution of some areas of the Mediterranean Basin during the Neogene-Quaternary.
- Environmental and ecological assessments of current environments.
- Micropaleontology applied to archaeology.
- Climate and paleoceanographic changes from the Neogene to the Present.
- Author of over 100 publications in national and international journals.