

Dear Students, Dear Colleagues,

at this very important moment, when we are about to start a new academic year, I would like to give you timely updates on all the topics covered by the monitoring unit, which is continuing its work intensively. In the next days we will inform you on the semester timetable, expected behaviors in the classrooms, logistics and security of the premises.

Let me start today by confirming that by September 11 we will complete the set up of more than 300 classrooms, renovated in technological and digital equipment, prepared for the use of the new platform for distance learning.

To support blended teaching, all classrooms have been provided with audio/video systems from Cisco, managed by the Webex platform, that allows simultaneous and flexible management of the classroom in presence and at a distance. The Webex platform is user friendly, allows management of up to 1000 participants and may be integrated with Learning Management Systems such as Moodle, that we have already successfully used in the past exam sessions.

The system enables therefore the possibility to teach with the traditional blackboard and connecting PC, tablet or graphic tablets.

Starting from Monday, September 7 training online sessions will be provided to all Professors, who will also have the opportunity to try hands-on the system in the classrooms. At the same time will will provide to all students and faculty the access instructions to the system used for the distance learning and the relevant organizational details.

For reports on the management and organization of activities please write to the following address: monitoraggio@polimi.it

Best regards

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