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Preface

This book includes the contributions presented at the 51st Scientific Meeting of the Italian Statistical Society (SIS) held in Caserta at the Università della Campania "Luigi Vanvitelli", from the 22nd to 24th of June, 2022.

The conference has registered more than 300 presentations, including 4 keynotes in plenary invited sessions and 9 presentations in 3 guest sessions, 48 presentations collected in 16 specialized sessions and 68 presentations in 17 solicited sessions, all dealing with specific themes in methodological and/or applied statistics and demography. Furthermore, more than 200 contributions, with one or more authors, have been spontaneously submitted to the Program Committee and arranged in 43 contributed sessions.

The high number of contributions and the large participation at the conference show that researchers have met the challenge of pursuing working even in the face of the pandemic period from which we are only now emerging. The research activity in our field therefore has never stopped, and the desire to participate in scientific events, as a place for exchange and discussion on new developments in our field, remains a living characteristic of our scientific community.

With the publication of this book, we wish to offer to all members of the Italian Statistical Society, all international academics, researchers, Ph.D. students, and all interested practitioners, a good snapshot of the on-going research in the statistical and demographic fields. We deeply thank all contributors for having submitted their works to the conference and all the researchers for their remarkable job in acting as referees accurately and timely. We also would like to thank the International Biometric Society (IBS) – Italian region, the European Network for Business and Industrial Statistics (ENBIS) and the Italian Society of Statistical Physics (SIFS) we had the pleasure of hosting. A special thanks is addressed to the Scientific and Organizational Committees for their great efforts devoted to all the organizational aspects, to the Università della Campania "Luigi Vanvitelli" and to the Department of Mathematics and Physics who made this event possible, as well as to the Municipality of the Town of Caserta who has patronized the event and to all the funders for their supports.

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