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The Chair offers support to students of multiple backgrounds creating an interdisciplinary and multicultural environment. Such environment is essential to develop a open-mind approach to research, and has helped me to deepen my thesis topics from different perspectives. Moreover each of the CEC members is affiliated to different institutions. Such a fluid organisation helps also in creating a personal network and develop further working opportunities. For example, thanks to the CEC network, and fundings opportunities connected to it, I was able to pursue a research visiting at the University of British Columbia (Canada). Given this premises, the main advice that I'd give to new students would be the following: not to be afraid of sharing with your colleagues your experiences and work, or asking for help and support from your senior colleagues. They are there to help you succeeding! I'm sure that not only your academic path will be easier, but you'll also develop life-lasting friendships.