ECMWF (tele)connections and the cultural impact of the Italian School on ECMWF

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1987, and already 7 years had gone by since Franco had approached me in L'Aquila, at a national gathering of atmospheric and oceanographis physicists with some very interesting results generated while working at his thesis in Milan (at ENEL)... **Today another 30 years** have gone by and many members of the gang are still around...



The proof of the Italian cultural influence? The idea of Tim Palmer to change his name into Palmeri...! But also the past, present and continuing contributions of Massimo, Andrea, Silvia, Laura, Susanna, Lodovica, Roberto, Anna and many, many more...