



## RECOGNITIONS

### **ACCORDING TO TIME, MARICA BRANCHESI IS AMONG THE WORLD'S 100 MOST INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE IN 2018**

There is the Italian researcher Marica Branchesi in TIME's annual list of the world's 100 most influential people. A new recognition, therefore, for the work done by Branchesi, researcher at GSSI, Gran Sasso Science Institute, and INFN, with the historical observation of the collision of two neutron stars: an event that introduced a new way of studying our universe, opening the era of multi-messenger astronomy. As a member of the LIGO/VIRGO collaboration, Marica Branchesi's task was to coordinate the two scientific communities respectively observing gravitational waves and electromagnetic radiation. A coordination that has thus allowed the extraordinary scientific result of the first observation of an astrophysical cataclysm through different cosmic messengers: gravitational waves and photons. ■