

Bio:

Linda Vignozzi is Full Professor in Endocrinology at the University of Florence, Italy, is the co-author of more than 285 manuscripts (H-index Scopus 70; citations: 13,905), has written several book chapters and invited reviews in the field of male

and female sexual and reproductive medicine, hypogonadism and metabolic diseases, male and female genital tract diseases, pedagogy in the health and medical field. She is Chief of Andrology and gender Endocrinology Unit at Careggi Hospital, Florence, Italy since 2018, coordinating a group of 22 professionals including:

- 9 endocrinologists who devoted their clinical practice as well as research and teaching activities to sexual health/dysfunction, reproduction, metabolic and endocrinological problems in all genders and in all phases of life course from adolescence to senescence.
- 1 child psychiatrist dedicated to gender incongruence service
- 3 psychologists dedicated to gender incongruence and sexual problems services
- 1 nutritionist who provides evidence-based information and guidance about the impacts of food and nutrition on the health and wellbeing in the different clinical services of the Unit.
- The Unit includes also a diagnostic lab service for mass spectrometry analysis of sex steroids level in different biological samples and a lab for semen analysis, the regional reference

Center for Cryopreservation of gametes, therefore Prof Vignozzi's team includes also 1 chemist specialized in mass spectrometry analysis, 3 biologists dedicated to mass spectrometry and semen analysis and cryopreservation and 4 laboratory technician.

- Head of the Institutional Center for the Prevention, diagnosis and therapy of infertility at the University Careggi Hospital-Florence that includes ART services, gynaecological and andrological services for couple infertility.
- Head of the Regional Clinical Service dedicated to couple infertility at the AUSL-Area Vasta Toscana Centro, that coordinates all the territorial healthcare services and infrastructures dedicated to couple infertility management.
- Head of the Regional Reference and Coordinating Center for management of subjects with gender incongruence (CRIG) coordinating all the Regional infrastructures and services dedicated to gender incongruence individuals.
- Head of the Reference Center for diagnosis and therapy of erectile dysfunction, reference regional center for semen cryopreservation,

- Since June 2021, she has been appointed as member of the Group of experts for National research and training in the prevention and treatment of infertility (“Tavolo tecnico per la ricerca e la formazione nella prevenzione e cura dell’infertilità”) at the Ministry for Health of the Italian Government.
- President of the School of Medicine and Surgery of the University of Florence, Italy (from 2022 at present)
- President of the Italian Society of Andrology and Sexual Medicine (SIAMS - from 2024 at present).
- Immediate Past President of the International Society for the Study of Women's Sexual Health (ISSWSH - from 2026 at present). She had the position of president of this Society from 2024-2026
- General Secretary of the Permanent Conference of Presidents of Italian Schools of Medicine and Surgery and co-coordinating as Executive Board member all the Presidents of the Educational Program of Medicine and Surgery in Italy.
- Chair of the Exam Committee of the European Multidisciplinary Joint Committee for Sexual Medicine (MJCSM). The Exam has received the appraisal and approval of the UEMS-CESMA.

Prof. Vignozzi has been in charge for the appraisal procedure (from 2018 at present).

- She coordinates the Gynaecological Endocrinology Research Unit, University of Florence, Italy coordinating Research activity in female sexual and reproductive health at the university of Florence The team includes 3 senior biologists and 1 research fellow, 3 physicians.
- She co-coordinates the Andrology and Sexual Medicine Research Unit, University of Florence, Italy coordinating Research activity in male sexual and reproductive health at the university of Florence. The team includes 5 senior biologists, 1 research fellow, 1 chemists, 5 physicians.
- Co-Coordinator of II level Master Degree Course of “Andrology and Sexual Medicine”, University of Florence, (from 2015 at present)
- Co-Coordinator of II level Master Degree Course of “Biology and technologies for reproduction“ at the University of Florence (from 2019 at present; now the Master Degree changed in “Reproduction 5.0”)
- Principal Coordinator of I level Master Degree Course of “Gender Incongruence”, University of Florence (from 2019 at 2024)
- Principal Coordinator of I level Master Degree Course of “One Health”, University of Florence (from 2026 at present)

Personal Statement - Linda Vignozzi

If I have the honor of being elected as President-elect of the ISSM, I will dedicate my work together to three fundamental priorities.

First: strengthening global research and education. Our mission must be to support young researchers, creating accessible training pathways, promoting research and a culture of international collaboration. The ISSM should be the united scientific community for those who want to grow, innovate, and contribute among all the regional and affiliates societies to share data, experiences, and innovative methodologies.

Second: integrating technology with humanity. Our mission must be to promote a model of care that combines advanced, innovative tools and technologies with strong relational skills, ensuring that every patient feels seen, heard, and respected.

Third: bringing sexual health to the center of public discourse. The ISSM has the duty to be an **authoritative** and **courageous voice** that engages with institutions, the media, and civil society to defend the right to sexual health as a fundamental human right.