Dear Students, Dear Colleagues,

I think each of us will carry lasting memories of this year in our hearts.

A year that brought us a lot of pain and worries about our everyday life and the future, that forced us to cope with new fears and insecurities. A year that required us to take on great and unexpected responsibilities, that at times made us feel powerless.

In many ways it has been a year suspended, interrupted, but it has also been a year of great accelerations and drives for change.

Today, however, I would like to think about the many resources we discovered, how we have experienced in practice the sense of belonging to a community, putting our expertise at the service of the Country.

I remember, for example, the intense months of Polichina production and mask testing by our laboratories.

I am thinking of all student representatives who were personally involved in helping us in the management of the difficulties that arose day by day.

I am thinking of the professors who even today continue to redesign teaching, to deal with the transformations we are experiencing.

I am thinking of the commitment of our technical and administrative colleagues, who reacted with energy and kept our University always active and functioning.

I am convinced that looking back, in a few years time, we will be proud of our response to the emergency, we will be satisfied of the work done, always together.

Best wishes,

My sincere thanks to all of you!

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