

*Title of the talk:* **Independent Locating-Dominating Sets in Graphs: Existence and some bounds.**

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*Abstract:*

Given a connected graph  $G = (V, E)$ , a set  $D \subseteq V$  is a *dominating set* if every vertex not in  $D$  is adjacent to a vertex in  $D$ . A set  $D \subseteq V$  is an *independent set* if no two vertices in  $D$  are adjacent. An independent dominating set of  $G$  is a set that is both independent and dominating. Likewise, an independent dominating set is a maximal independent set. A dominating set  $S$  of  $G$  is called locating-dominating if for every pair  $u, v \notin S$ ,  $N(u) \cap S \neq N(v) \cap S$ .

A set  $D \subseteq V$  is an *independent locating-dominating set*, an *ILD-set* for short, if it is both independent and locating-dominating. Notice that not every graph contains ILD-sets, being the complete graph family the simplest example. An ILD-graph is a graph containing ILD-sets. The independent locating-dominating number of an ILD-graph  $G$ , denoted by  $i_\ell(G)$ , is the minimum cardinality of an ILD-set of  $G$ .

In this talk, we approach both the problem of determining which graph families are ILD-graphs and also some strategies to bound and/or to compute the independent locating-dominating number for a number of specific ILD-graph classes.