

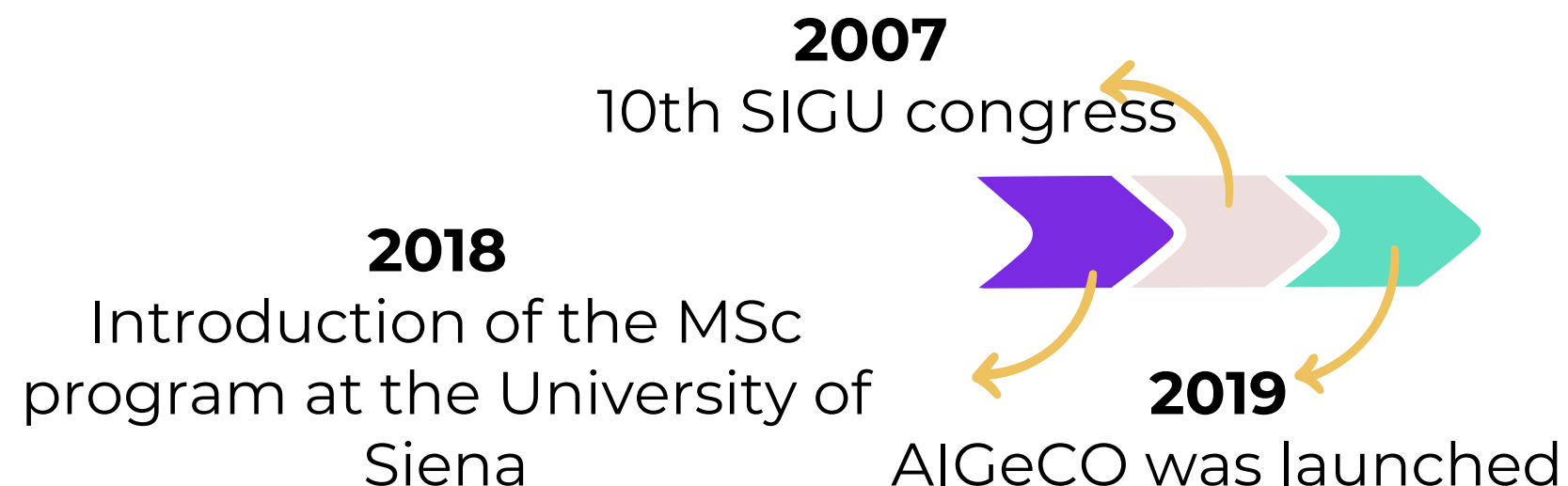
GENETIC PROFESSIONALS' VIEW ON GENETIC COUNSELLORS: an Italian Survey.

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Genetic Counsellors are **healthcare professionals** with advanced training in medical genetics and Genetic Counselling, who guide and support patients seeking more information on how hereditary diseases and conditions might affect them or their families and interpret genetic test results based on personal and family history.

In the USA and in some countries in Europe the profession is widely known **BUT** with some differences.

→ And what about in Italy?



OBJECTIVE of the research:

undertake a national survey



investigating the viewpoint of professionals working in the field of genetics about the role of the Genetic Counsellor

37 participants answered the questionnaire.

From the survey, different viewpoints about this topic came out underlying the positive and negative insights of the participants.

*To conclude, the introduction of this profession still need to face many obstacles **BUT** could be a great opportunity to enhance the healthcare system in terms of patient's management within the genetic field.*