

## **PRESS RELEASE**

# **PRIN 2017: SISSA BIG SUCCESS**

A contribution of more than 1.5 million and a percentage of achievement that is three time the national average are SISSA's great achievement in funding disbursed by the Ministry of Education, University and Research. School Director Stefano Ruffo says: "Proud of the results that underlies our excellence"



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"The results speak for themselves. That of SISSA in the area of PRIN 2017 funding is a huge success, receiving funding for more than one out of every three projects presented. This percentage of achievement is much higher than the national average, three times as much. This result makes us proud because it underlines the quality of research conducted in our School and its unique ability to capitalise the resources in projects, which are increasingly new, and at the forefront. Projects whose value is then confirmed by recognition such as this". This is how Professor Stefano Ruffo, Director of SISSA - International School for Advanced Studies - comments the results achieved by the projects presented by the scientists of the Trieste Institute to attain PRIN (Programmes of Research Projects of National Relevance) 2017 funding, disbursed by the Ministry of Education, University and Research. "It is a transversal success, because projects presented from all three areas on which SISSA research and training are focused have received funding: physics, mathematics and neuroscience. Out of 41 projects presented, 15 have been funded. This is more than 35%, a truly





excellent result which is much higher than that achieved by other institutes and, in general, what at the end will be the average success value". The total contribution of Miur (Ministry of Education, University and Research) obtained with the 15 projects amounts to more than 1.5 million euro, which will now fund the winners' research. The 15 funded projects involve the following SISSA scientists: Aleksandr Azatov, Stefano Baroni, Domenica Bueti, Davide Crepaldi, Alessandro Bressan, Ugo Bruzzo, Paquale Calabrese, Massimo Capone, Gianni Dal Maso, Andrea Gambassi, Stefano Liberati, Gianluigi Rozza, Sandro Sorella, Alessandro Treves and Piero Ullio. Professor Ruffo concludes: "The results obtained are even more important considering the size of SISSA, which has a scientific staff of just seventy scientists. Yet our success is great, both nationally and internationally. In short, we are small, but extraordinarily competitive".

#### **IMAGE**

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