



SISSA Welcome Day 2016



Another Welcome Day for the School's new students

1 December 2016, 9.30-1.00pm and 6.00-7.00pm

SISSA, Main Lecture Hall

Via Bonomea 265, Trieste

Even this year SISSA is preparing to welcome its new PhD students, who are about to set out on their academic journey. As in the past, the Welcome Day is an opportunity both to welcome the new arrivals and together to celebrate and share the experiences of those have been studying and working here for years, through presentations, talks and awards. There will also be the traditional *lectio magistralis*, this year held by Daan Frenkel, professor at Cambridge University. The celebrations will be rounded off with a concert of the "Trieste Early Jazz Orchestra".



On December 1st, the International School for Advanced Studies (SISSA) in Trieste will hold its Welcome Day, where the new students arriving for their first year of PhD course are introduced to the School, their senior colleagues, the School's professors and all the personnel.

As is tradition, the celebrations will open with a welcome message by the SISSA Director Stefano Ruffo, who will present the School to the new arrivals. Then, the morning will continue with talks by the student representatives and post-docs and brief presentations of SISSA research and education programmes by representatives of the teaching faculty.

In addition, there will be a presentation of "SISSA for Schools", an ongoing project where SISSA opens its doors to schoolchildren, followed by, at around 10.45, the award ceremony: awards for PhD and Master's theses, the Bassoli prize, medals for the personnel and the Special Student Prize.

At 11.00, Daan Frenkel will deliver a lecture entitled "Counting the Uncountable: Numerical Calculation of Granular Entropy". Frenkel is a Dutch computational physicist, a professor at the Department of Chemistry of the University of Cambridge, the author of a large number of papers published in international journals and, amongst others, a (foreign) member of the American National Academy of Sciences. He has also been among the recipients of the Boltzmann Medal and Spinoza Prize, as well as of other major awards.

The morning will end with a concert of the "Trieste Early Jazz Orchestra" which will start at 11.45. The entire Welcome Day is open to the public and the majority of talks will be held in English.

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