ICTP | International Centre for Theoretical Physics SAIFR | South American Institute for Fundamental Research



Mission: To be among the world-leading theoretical physics centers in research, training and outreach, and serve as a stable international scientific hub for all of South America

Motivation

- Almost all of present technology is based on theoretical physics from the previous century, and tomorrow's technology will certainly require knowledge of current advances in theoretical physics.
- Theoretical physics centers such as the ICTP in Trieste and the KITP in Santa Barbara organize interdisciplinary programs that bring together students and researchers from all over the world to share recent discoveries and develop applications.
- Although there are dozens of theoretical physics centers in North
 America, Europe and Asia, there are none in South America with the
 same impact as, for example, the Institute for Pure and Applied
 Mathematics (IMPA) in Rio de Janeiro in mathematics.

Why ICTP-SAIFR in São Paulo?

- ICTP-SAIFR was created in 2012 as the first partner institute of ICTP in Trieste in collaboration with IFT-UNESP and FAPESP.
- Founded in 1952, IFT-UNESP is one of the oldest and most prestigious graduate schools in theoretical physics in South America.
- The São Paulo state research funding agency FAPESP is the most stable and well-funded agency in South America.
- IFT-UNESP is centrally located near the largest South American airport and close to several large top-ranked universities.



Brief History of ICTP-SAIFR





SIMONS FOUNDATION



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FAPESP **1962**

Simons **1994**

FAPESP grants '11,'16,'22

Serrapilheira 2017



ICTP **1964**

Perimeter 1999

Opening Ceremony 2012

Instituto Principia 2017

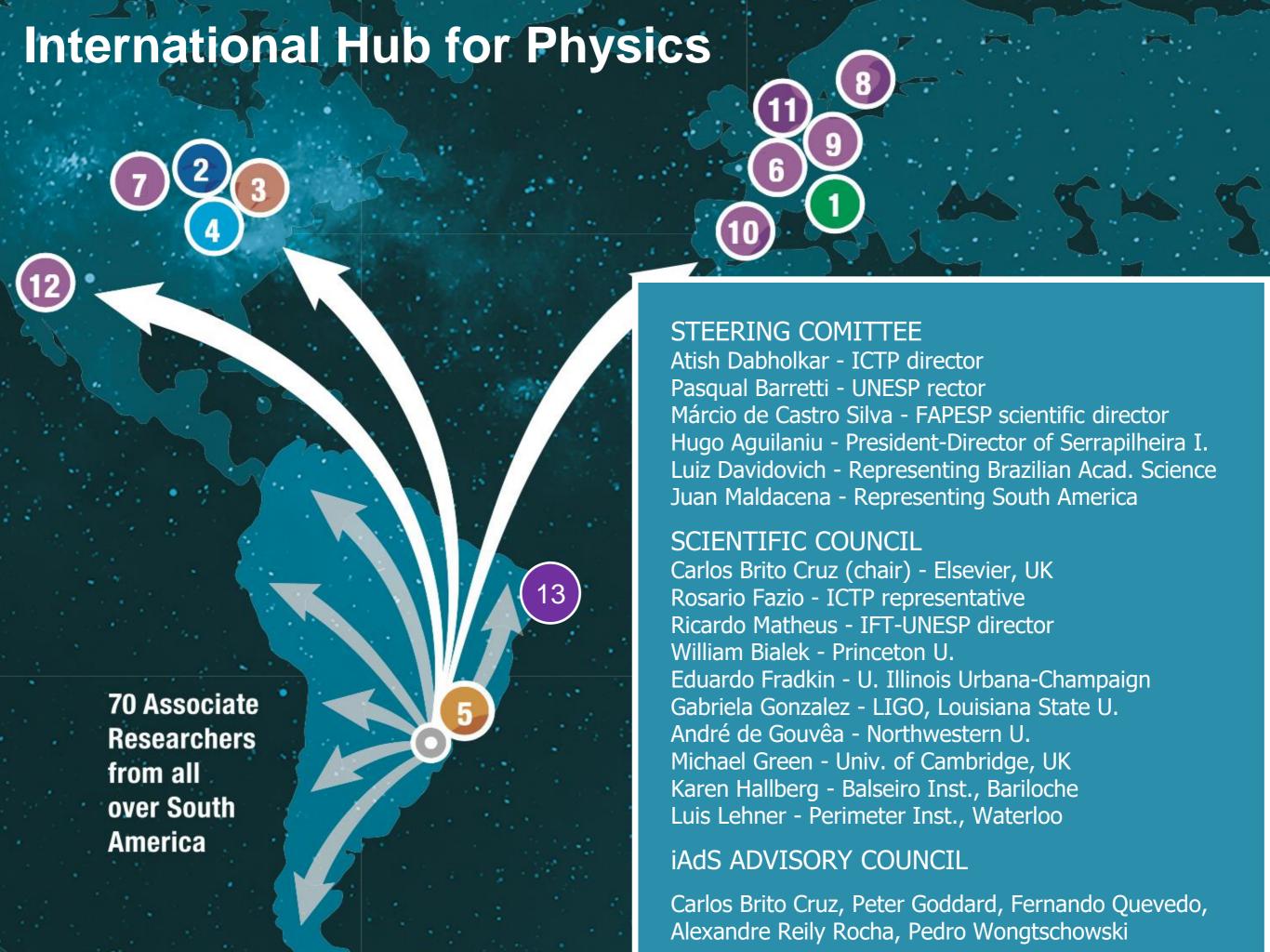


UNESP 1976

UNESP Barra Funda 2009

Simons Fellows 2014

Amigos do SAIFR 2021



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UNESPS's research strengths are in **physics and astronomy**. Its Institute for Theoretical Physics was founded in 1951, predating the university itself. It also hosts the **ICTP South American Institute for Fundamental Research**, an offshoot of the International Centre for Theoretical Physics in Trieste, Italy. [...]

2015	Institution	WFC 2015	AC 2015	Change in WFC 2012–2015	Change in WFC 2012–2015 (%)
1	São Paulo State University (UNESP), Brazil	23.52	112	12.31	109.87
2	National Scientific and Technical Research Council (CONICET), Argentina	38.93	359	7.51	23.92
3	National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM), Mexico	46.70	334	7.45	18.97
4	University of São Paulo (USP), Brazil	49.12	315	7.37	17.64
5	Center for Scientific Studies (CECs), Chile	7.98	17	5.32	200.64
6	University of the Republic (UDFLAR), Uruquay	7 99	20	5 22	189 06

Highest ranking 7 by CAPES for IFT after the creation of ICTP-SAIFR

2021 John Wheatley Award from the American Physical Society for ICTP-SAIFR



Public financing



Staff and professor salaries + infrastructure US\$ 500K/year



Financing of schools, workshops and fellowships US\$ 700K/year



Joint schools and workshops US\$ 30K/year





Fellowships for graduate students and researchers US\$ 100K/year

Private financing (via Amigos do SAIFR)



Fellowships for two tenure-track professors. US\$ 60K/year



Programs involving physics and biology US\$ 40K/year



Exchange program involving joint professor US\$ 50K/year



Exchange program involving joint professor US\$ 30K/year



Donations and endowment from private individuals US\$ 60K/year

Researchers on ICTP-SAIFR grant

Complex Systems with applications to biology

M.Aguiar (Unicamp)

H.Gomez (IFT-UNESP)

R.Kraenkel (IFT-UNESP)

R.Martinez-Garcia (CASUS)

J.Onuchic (Rice U.)

P.Prado (IB-USP)

P.Ronceray (U. Marseille)

Condensed matter

D.Liarte (IFT-UNESP)

J.Marino (Mainz),

E.Miranda (Unicamp)

V.Quito (USP São Carlos)

A.Ramires (Paul Scherrer)

A.Rocha (IFT-UNESP)

D.Rosa (IFT-UNESP)

S. Salinas (IFUSP)

Particle Physics

O.Éboli (IFUSP)

R.Funchal (IFUSP)

M.Guzzo (Unicamp)

G.Krein (IFT-UNESP)

R.Matheus (IFT-UNESP)

S.Novaes (IFT-UNESP).

Cosmology

R.Abramo (IFUSP)

M.Lima (IFUSP)

V.Miranda (Stony Brook),

R.Porto (DESY Hamburg)

R.Rosenfeld (IFT-UNESP)

Astrophysics

E.Bertuzzo (U. Modena)

C.Sheng Fong (UFABC)

F.Iocco (U. Napoli),

R.Nemmen (IAG-USP)

E.Dal Pino (IAG-USP)

F.Queiroz (IIP-Natal)

R.Sturani (IFT-UNESP);

Field Theory

N. Berkovits (IFT-UNESP)

A.Mikhailov (IFT-UNESP)

H.Nastase (IFT-UNESP)

D.Trancanelli (U. Modena)

P.Vieira (Perimeter/IFT)

Every year, ICTP-SAIFR organizes dozens of international schools for graduate students, workshops for researchers, and outreach activities for the general public and for high-school teachers and students.



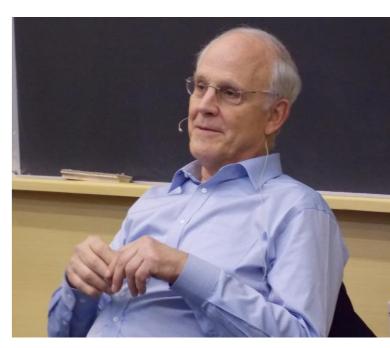




(2012 to 2023)







128 Internacional School and Minicourses for graduate students from 2012-2023

V Southern-Summer School on Mathematical Biology



School on Fundamental Aspects of String Theory

nool on Dark Matter



School on Physics Applications in Biology









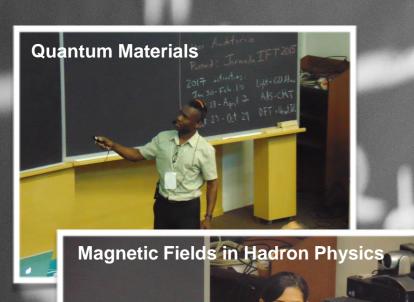


Climate Modelling over South America



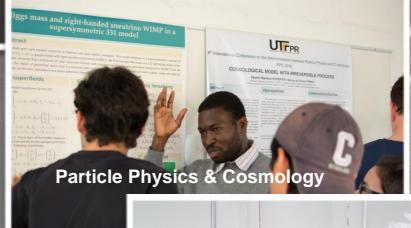


125 Workshops from 2012-2023

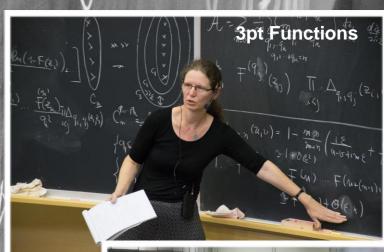




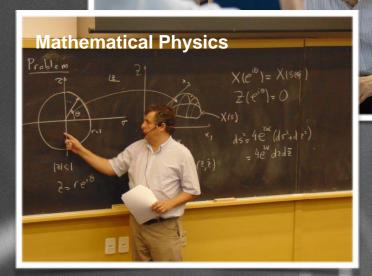




















PRELIMINARY LIST OF SPEAKERS

- O D Aquiar (INPE, Brazil)
- R Batista (Radboud U., Netherlands) N Bernal (UAN Colombia)
- E Carrera (USFQ, Ecuador)
- F Chierchie (UNS, Argentina)
- E Dal Pino (IAG-USP, Brazil) C Dib (UTESM. CHILE)
- C Dobrigkeit (UNICAMP, Brazil)
- A Etchegoyen (CNEA, Argentina)
- J Fahris (UFES Brazil)

- G F Moroni (FNAL, USA) M G Munhoz (IF-USP Brazil)
- I Nasteva (UFRJ, Brazil) H Nunokawa (PUC-Rio, Brazil)
- E Paolini (UNS, Argentina) F Queiroz (IIP. Brazil)
- M Rangel (UFRJ, Brazil)
- R Rosenfeld (IFT-UNESP/ICTP-SAIFR, Brazil)
- A C Rovero (UBA, Argentina) C Sandoval (UNA) Colombia
- A R-Wolf (JPL. USA)
- A Sanchez (CERN, Switzerland)
- E Cogreto (INICAMD Provil)

The goal of the Symposium, a follow-up of a workshop held in 2019, is to work towards establishing a regional consensus on the scientific objectives for each of the main topics of the submission tracks and to analyze the relevance of the proposed projects for the fulfillment of these objectives.

The Open Symposium will consist of plenary sessions and invited talks with ample time for discussion. White papers will be presented in short 10 minutes sessions and reviewed by the convenors of the respective subgroup. The short presentations will summarize the contents of the white papers and the convenors will put them in the perspective of the LA and international scenario, preparing the discussions to be followed.

Due to COVID-19, the symposium will be held online. Links to the videoconference will be available on the webpage, and if you wish to participate please register. Participants who registered before March 8 do not need to register again.

There is no registration fee.



85 online activities during the pandemic







Outreach Activities for the general public

Distinguished Public Lectures















2020 Innovation Prize from the American Physical Society

Goal is to extend the network of high-school teachers to other countries in South America



Modern Physics in the Latin-American Classroom

During the pandemic, high-school physics students and teachers in Latin America are lacking interesting classroom material which can be taught online. Perimeter Institute (Waterloo, Canada) has developed 15 volumes of material on modern physics for high-school students which is available online in English, French and Portuguese. This project will translate the materi Spanis panish so that it can be used throughout Latin America both online during the pandemic and in the classroom when schools reopen.

Project Lead: Nathan Berkovits (Sao Paulo State University)







4 Joint ICTP-SAIFR/ICTP-Trieste

Schools on Cosmology

Joint School and Workshop on Observational Cosmology December 1-12, 2014

Organizers:

Raul Abramo, Paolo Creminelli, Alessandro Melchiorri, Rogerio Rosenfeld, Ravi Sheth

Lecturers:

- Philippe Brax Beyond LCDM
- Paolo Creminelli Inflation
- Scott Dodelson Theory and Combined Probes
- Marcello Musso Large Scale Structure II
- Anais Rassat Gravitational Lensing
- •Ravi Sheth Large Scale Structure I
- Joe Zuntz From Observations to Models (and back)

II Joint School on Open Problems in Cosmology July 17 - 28, 2017

Organizers:

- Daniel Baumann
- Paolo Creminelli
- Daniel Green
- Rafael Porto
- Matias Zaldarriaga

Lecturers:

- Paolo Creminelli: Intro to Primordial Physics
- •Raphael Flauger: Intro to CMB Theory
- Oliver Hahn & Rafael Porto: Intro to LSSJ
- Julien Lesgourgues: Intro to CMB observations
- •Will Percival: Intro to LSS observations
 - •Matias Zaldarriaga: Advanced topics for the study of LSS

III Joint School on Observational Cosmology

July 22 - August 2, 2019

Organizers:

- Raul Abramo
- Paolo Creminelli
- Mehrdad Mirbabayi
- Rogerio Rosenfeld

Lecturers:

- Mehrdad Mirbabayi: Intro to Inflation
- •Cora Dvorkin: Intro to CMB Theory
- •Raul Abramo & Rogerio Rosenfeld: Intro to LSS
- •Marko Simonović: Advanced Topics in LSS
- Alessandra Silvestri: Beyond LCDM
- •Tim Eifler: From observations to models

FABIAN SCHMIDT

(Max Planck I. for Astrophysics, Germany) Structure Formation in the Universe

January 18-29, 2021 (by videoconference)

DRAGAN HUTERER (U. of Michigan, USA) Cosmology from Large Galaxy Surveys



YACINE ALI-HAÏMOUD (New York U., USA)

Physics of the Cosmic Microwave Background IV JOINT ICTP-TRIESTE/
ICTP-SAIFR SCHOOL
ON COSMOLOGY:
CHALLENGES FOR
THE STANDARD

COSMOLOGICAL MODEL



CHIARA CAPRINI

(AstroParticle and Cosmology L., France)

Cosmology from Gravitational Waves



VALERIE DOMCKE (CERN, Switzerland)

Inflation and the Origin of Perturbations



PEDRO FERREIRA

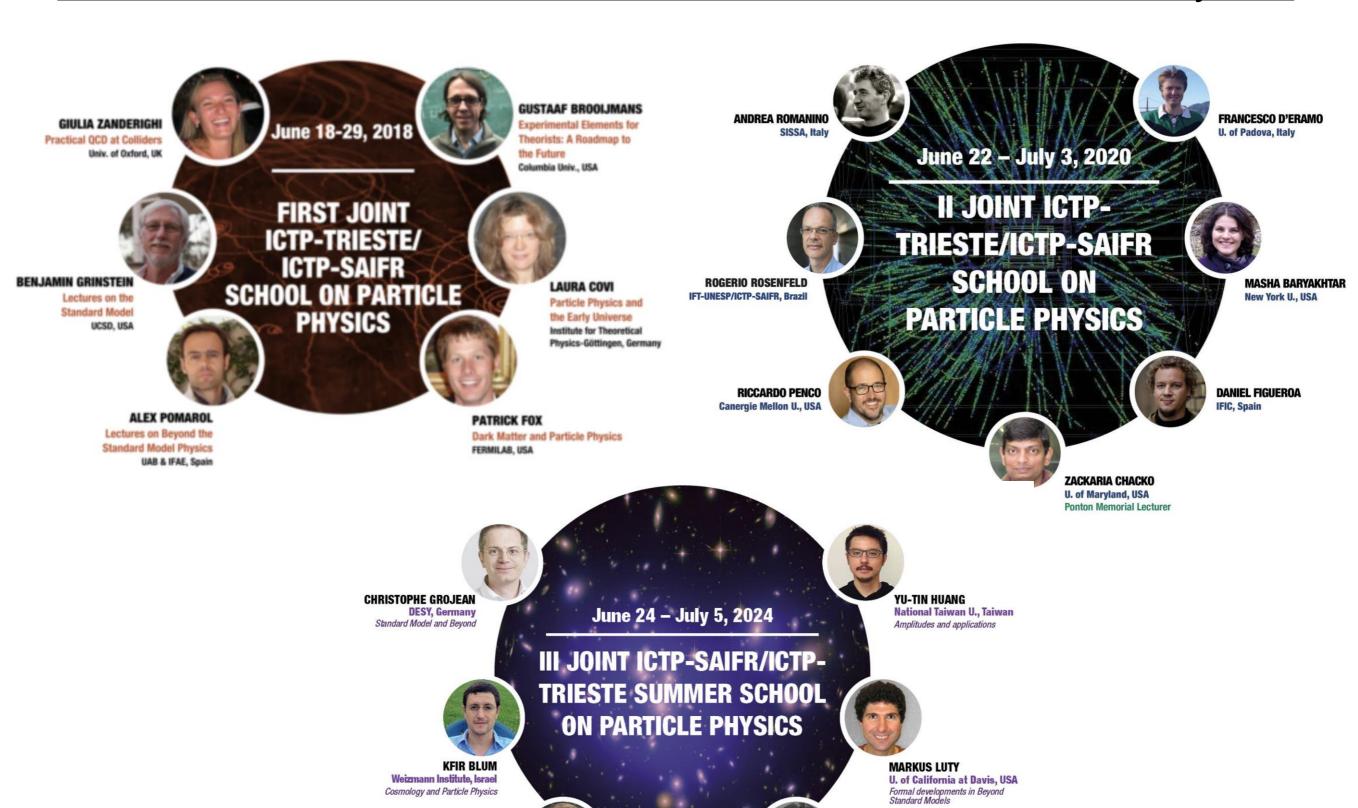
(Oxford U., UK)

Testing Beyond ACDM Models

Giambiagi Winter School on Cosmology

17 - 28 July 2023 An ICTP Hybrid Meeting Buenos Aires, Argentina

3 Joint ICTP-SAIFR/ICTP-Trieste Schools on Particle Physics



LAURA REINA

Collider Physics

Florida State University, USA

NICOLÁS BERNAL

New York University at Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates Dark Matter

First ICTP-SAIFR/MITP Joint Activity



Organizers: Gustavo Burdman, Felix Yu, Matthias Neubert, Rogerio Rosenfeld





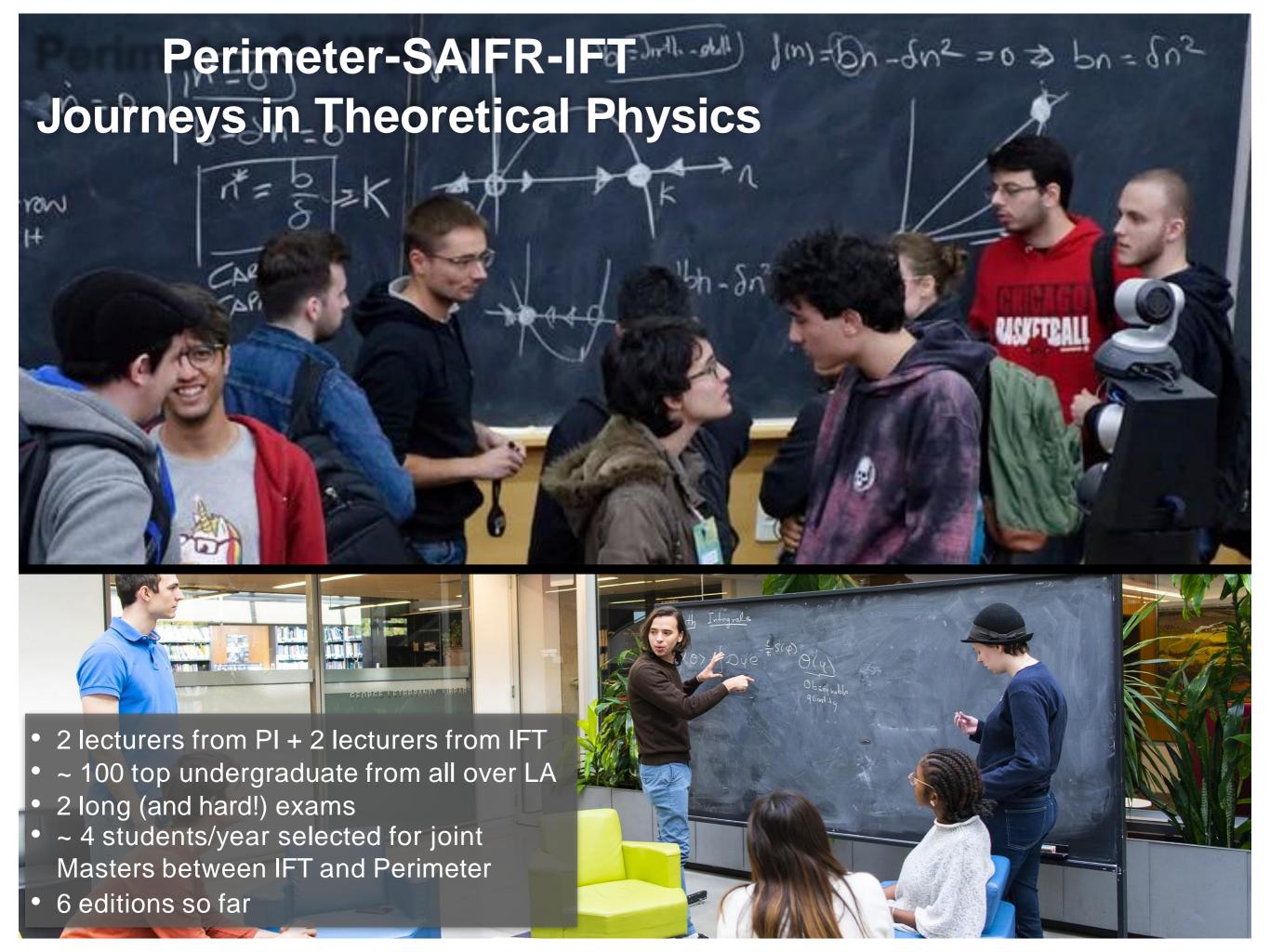




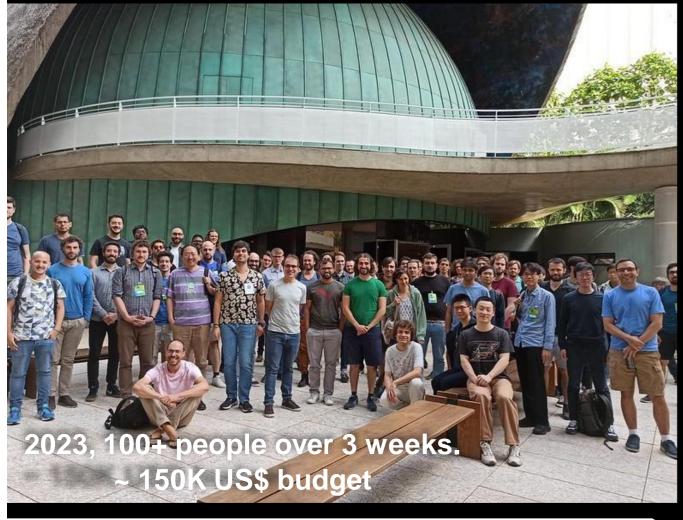














Outreach activities







High-school teachers



High-school students

Public lectures





Informal monthly discussions

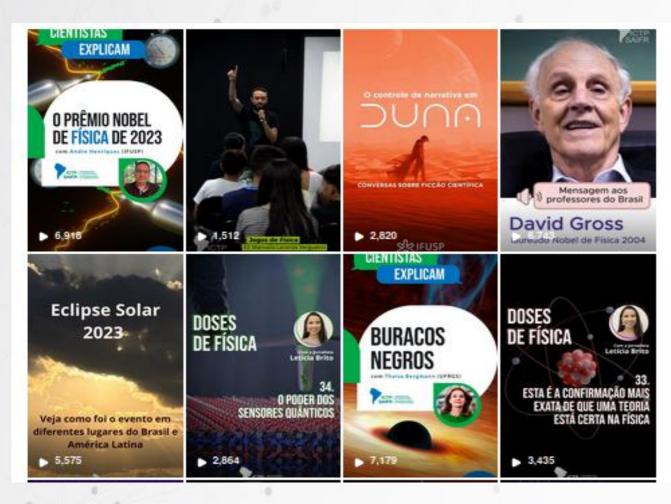


Ciência no cinema - movie session with discussions



Papos de física - seminar in a bar

Videos and reports





Videos for social media

Multimedia reports for a general audience

Modern Physics in the Classroom

In-person and online workshops for high-school teachers







Summer courses for high-school teachers



II CURSO DE VERANO ICTP-SAIFR

para profesores de Física de secundaria

Edición especial virtual: ONDAS GRAVITACIONALES Y LIGO

de 17 al 21 de enero de 2022







III CURSO DE VERANO ICTP-SAIFR

para profesores de Física de secundária • actividad virtual

Edición especial: Cosmología • del 16 al 20 de enero de 2023





IV CURSO DE VERANO ICTP-SAIFR

para profesores de Física de secundária • actividad virtual

Edición especial: Física de partículas • del 22 al 26 de enero de 2024





Edición Montevideo - Uruguay, 2023



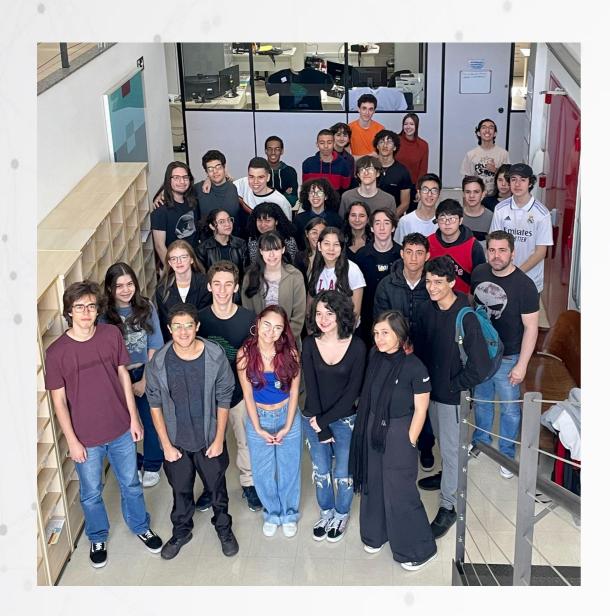


Saturday Minicourses for high-school students





Winter Course





CURSO DE INVERNO ICTP-SAIFR PARA JOVENS FÍSICOS

08 a 12 de julho, 2023

Minicurso "A Mecânica Quântica e os novos materiais: metais, grafenos e os supercondutores"

com o prof. Alexandre Reily Rocha (IFT-UNESP)

Palestra "Simulações computacionais de interfaces água/metal"

com a profª. Luana Pedroza (UFABC)

Módulos de aulas: Matemática para mecânica quântica Módulo prático de programação em Python

> Local: IFT-UNESP e NCC-UNESP (R. Dr. Bento Teobaldo Ferraz, 271)

Inscrições até: 01/07

Mais informações: outreach.ictp-saifr.org/cursodeinverno

Summer Schools with group projects





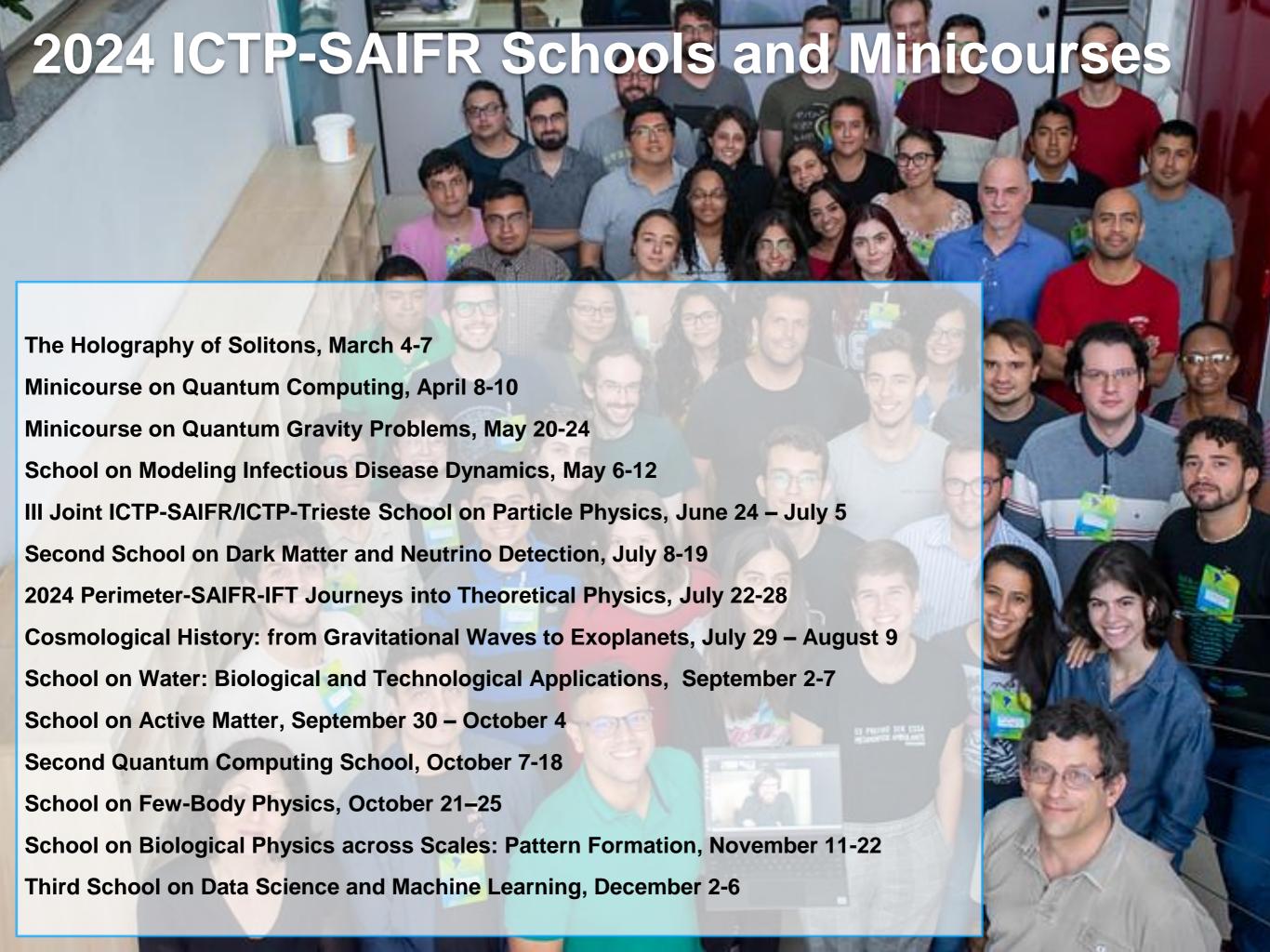
Visits to Public Schools



Físicos na Escola (Physicists at School)



Jogos de Física (Physics Games)





2025 Activity Proposals

January – April Physics of Life

- Biological Physics
- Complex Systems
- Mathematical Ecology
- Medical Physics

May - August Fundamental Physics

- Particle Physics
- Field Theory
- Cosmology
- Astrophysics

September - December Quantum Systems/ Artificial Intelligence

- Quantum computation
- Quantum technologies
- Condensed matter physics
- Machine learning

New ICTP-SAIFR activities planned at Instituto Principia

Long-term programs on a specific research topic

will allow local researchers to collaborate with international researchers on cutting-edge problems in month-long programs similar to those organized by KITP in Santa Barbara.



Monthly group meetings in different research areas

will bring together students and researchers from different universities in the state of São Paulo for joint seminars and discussions.



Search for new ICTP-SAIFR researchers

 Ongoing search for 2 new Simons-FAPESP "tenure-track" researchers (application deadline Feb. 29, 2024)



1] Connections of physics to biology

Search committee: W. Bialek, R. Goldstein, S. Levin, J.N. Onuchic

2] All other areas related to theoretical physics

Search committee: L. Cugliandolo, S. Donaldson, E. Fradkin, M. Green, D. Gross

- Additionally, IFT-UNESP will have 4 new permanent positions in 2024-25
- University salary can be supplemented with research chairs from private sources (Simons Foundation, UCLA Baumik Institute, iAdS endowment fund)

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Thanks for your attention and enjoy the symposium!

