

FRANCESCO RIVA

GENERAL INFORMATION

Born the 31st of July 1979, in Locarno, Switzerland; of Swiss nationality.

DEGREES

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| 2008 - Now | University of Geneva – Theoretical Physics Department | Genève, Switzerland |
| | • Research in the group of Prof. Ruth Dürrer | |
| 2007 - 2008 | CERN – European Organization for Nuclear Research | Genève, Switzerland |
| | • Marie Curie Fellow in Theoretical Physics | |
| 2004 - 2008 | Merton College – University of Oxford | Oxford, England |
| | • DPhil in Theoretical Particle Physics and Cosmology under the supervision of Prof John March-Russell and Prof Subir Sarkar: “Cosmological Consequences of Supersymmetric Flat Directions”. | |
| | • Examined by Prof Graham Ross, Oxford and Prof Steve Abel, Durham | |
| 1998 - 2004 | ETHZ – Swiss Federal Institute of Technology | Zürich, Switzerland |
| | • Diploma with distinction in Theoretical Physics | |
| 2002 - 2004 | EPFL – École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne | Lausanne, Switzerland |
| | • Diploma work “Particle Production and Generation of Density Perturbations in the Inflating Brane Universe” under the supervision of Dr A. Neronov and Prof M. Shaposhnikov. | |
| 2000 - 2001 | King’s College | London, England |
| | • 1 year Erasmus exchange program | |

PUBLICATIONS

- Ben Gripaios, Alex Pomarol and Francesco Riva, *Anomaly Physics at the LHC and the Next-to-Minimal Composite Higgs Model*, will appear soon in the arXiv.
- Antonio Riotto and Francesco Riva: *Curvature Perturbation from Supersymmetric Flat Directions*, Phys.Lett.B670: 169–173, 2008.
- Gian Giudice, Lotta Mether, Antonio Riotto, Francesco Riva: *Supersymmetric Leptogenesis and the Gravitino Bound*, Phys.Lett.B664: 21–24, 2008.
- Francesco Riva, *Flat Directions in the Early Universe: Birth, Life and Death*, Proceedings of Science, POS(Cargese)017, 2007.
- Anders Basboll, David Maybury, Francesco Riva, Stephen West: *Non-Perturbative Flat Direction Decay*, Phys.Rev.D76:065005, 2007.
- John March-Russell, Francesco Riva: *Signals of inflation in a Friendly String Landscape*, JHEP 0607:033, 2006

TALKS AND SEMINARS

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| 3.12.2008 | CERN – COSMO Coffee | Oxford, England |
| | • <i>Scheduled talk on “SUSY Leptogenesis and the Gravitino Bound”</i> | |
| 25.09.2007 | UniverseNET conference | Oxford, England |
| | • <i>Talk on “Curvature Perturbations from Supersymmetric Flat Directions”</i> | |
| 19.9.2008 | University of Geneva | Genève, Switzerland |
| | • <i>Talk on “Leptogenesis and Curvature Perturbations in Supersymmetry”</i> | |
| 22.05.2008 | Planck08 | Barcellona, Spain |
| | • <i>Talk on “Supersymmetric Leptogenesis and the Gravitino Bound”</i> | |
| 17.10.2007 | CERN - COSMO Coffee | Genève, Switzerland |
| | • <i>Talk on “Flat Direction in the Early Universe: Birth, Life and Death”</i> | |
| 9.08.2007 | Cargèse Summer Institute – Student Sessions | Cargèse, France |
| | • <i>Talk on “Flat Direction in the Early Universe: Birth, Life and Death”</i> | |
| 17.05.2007 | University of Oxford - Theoretical Physics Seminar | Oxford, England |
| | • <i>Talk on “Non-Perturbative Flat Direction Decay”</i> | |
| 27.10.2006 | University of Oxford - Students Theory Seminar Series | Oxford, England |
| | • <i>Talk on “From Inflation to Us with a little help from Preheating”</i> | |
| 27.4.2006 | University of Oxford - Theoretical Physics Seminar | Oxford, England |
| | • <i>Talk on “Signals of Inflation in the Friendly String Landscape”</i> | |
| 19.5.2005 | University of Oxford - Phenomenology Group Seminars | Oxford, England |
| | • <i>Talk on “Flux Compactifications and the Stabilization of Moduli”</i> | |

AWARDS AND COMPETITIONS

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| 2007 | Swiss National Fund | Switzerland |
| | • <i>Awarded the “Chercheur Debutant” Fellowship - Declined</i> | |
| 2004 | Merton College, University of Oxford | Oxford, England |
| | • <i>Awarded the Greendale Scholarship</i> | |
| 2003 | ETHZ – Swiss Federal Institute of Technology | Zürich, Switzerland |
| | • <i>Awarded the Polya Funds Prize from the Department of Mathematics for a distinct Diploma in Mathematics and Physics</i> | |
| 2003 | ETHZ – Swiss Federal Institute of Technology | Zürich, Switzerland |
| | • <i>Awarded the Stefano Francini Scholarship</i> | |
| 1998 - 2003 | ETHZ – Swiss Federal Institute of Technology | Zürich, Switzerland |
| | • <i>Awarded yearly the Margherite Lang Scholarship and the Achille Isella Bursary</i> | |
| 1998, July | 29 th International Physics Olympics | Reykjavik, Iceland |
| | • <i>I took part in the 19th International Physics Olympics as one of the five members of the Swiss team.</i> | |

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

9.2008	UniverseNet 08	Oxford, England
5.2008	Planck 08 – The Quest for Unification: Theory	Barcelona, Spain
4.2008	PONT d’Avignon	Avignon, France
8.2007	Cargese Summer Institute	Cargèse, France
5.2006	Planck 06 – The Quest for Unification: Theory Confronts Experiment	Paris, France
9.2005	Corfu05 - Corfu Summer Institute on Elementary Particle Physics	Corfu, Greece

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

2006 - 2007	University of Oxford	Oxford, England
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Private tuitions in Physics and Mathematics for first year students at San Peter’s College.		
2002, Summer	CERN - European Organization for Nuclear Research	Geneva, Switzerland
<ul style="list-style-type: none">I worked in the CMS group and studied a system for the acquisition of temperature data in the CMS ECAL. This research was published in “G. Dissertori, A. Lister, W. Lustermann, F. Riva: <i>Study of a cascaded multiplexing system for slow control applications</i>, CMS Internal Note – CERN, Geneva, Switzerland; 13.3.2003”		
2001 - 2003	ETHZ – Swiss Federal Institute of Technology	Zürich, Switzerland
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Teaching Assistant for the Department of Mathematics and the Department of Physics. I tutored different classes on <i>Linear Algebra</i>, <i>Analysis</i>, <i>Physics</i>, <i>Mathematics</i> and <i>Complex Analysis</i>.		
2003	High School of Lugano Trevano	Lugano, Switzerland
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Substitute teacher in physics and in mathematics.		

LANGUAGES

Italian is my mother tongue, but I also speak currently **English**, **French**, **German** and **Spanish**. I practiced these languages while studying in Oxford, Lausanne, and Zürich (and learnt spanish from my Argentinean mother).

INTERESTS AND OTHER SKILLS

I am a passionate photographer and have published several photography articles, mostly related with traveling, and held exhibitions in Switzerland and England. I spend most of my free time outdoors, rock climbing, mountaineering and skiing, but also deep water diving and cycling.

I designed and maintained the site www.elyriva.ch, for advertising the work of a professional photoreporter (my father), and also my own photography webpage at www.cincio.ch.

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