

Opening address

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and

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Welcome to

the XI edition of the Workshop "Diffraction"

and

the XXVIII edition of the "Low-x Meeting"

or to

the II edition of the Workshop
"Diffraction and Low-x"

We pursued the optimal mix,
but ...

- location/timing taste like **Diffraction**
- discussion sessions taste like **Low-x**



A good match:

Conveners (**Diffraction**) / Discussion leaders (**Low-x**)

An unavoidable side effect ...

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A miracle ...

... we gathered **97 (-3) registrants**

and **91 (-3) talks in person!**

Conveners/Discussion leaders

Diffraction in ep and eA collisions:
Daniel Tapia Takaki, Marta Ruspa

Soft and low-mass diffraction:
Boris Kopeliovich, Ronan McNulty, Ken Österberg

Photon-photon physics and hard diffraction:
Javier Murilo, Michael Pitt, Murilo Rangel

Spin Physics:
Barbara Badelek, Umberto D'Alesio

Recent theoretical results on QCD and saturation physics:
Francesco G. Celiberto, Martin Hentschinski,
Cyrille Marquet, Agustin Sabio Vera

Low-x, PDFs and hadronic final state:
Cristian Baldenegro, Marco Bonvini, Amanda Cooper Sarkar, Pavel Nadolsky

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Outreach

Delegates from two high-schools in Calabria participate in the activities of the workshop:



Liceo scientifico "A. Volta" - Reggio Calabria
(prof. Carmen Petronio)

Polo liceale - Rossano
(prof. Elvira Marchianò)



A novelty

Two young* speakers will be awarded of the prize for the

'Best theoretical talk' and 'Best experimental talk'.

The award consists of a certificate and prize money.

It is assigned according to the following high-quality criteria:

clearness in the presentation,
relevance of the results,
promptness in answering questions.

The **Jury** will consist of all members of the International Advisory Committee and all Conveners participating in the workshop.

The selection procedure will be based on the principle of **equal opportunity** with respect to gender, ethnicity, religion or beliefs, sexual orientation, disability, etc.

* non-permanent and less than 10 years from the end of PhD

Some practical information

- Coffee breaks on the terrasse or at the ground floor, depending on the weather
 - Lunches always at the ground floor
- Lunch tickets for people staying in other hotels (cost 20 Euro, at least one-day advance)
 - Social events:
Please sign at the secretary
- Face masks: not mandatory, but strongly suggested
 - WiFi: BVAironeResort (pwd: buonevacanze)
 - Breakfast at BV Airone: 7.00 - 10.00

Our logo

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**Some concluding
remarks**

This is not a black slide ...

... it is a slide too dense of words.

These days and this place* are
for the words of Science



*Corigliano = "chorion elaion" (garden of olives)

Enjoy the workshop!