



## Prof. Dr. Elisabetta Prencipe



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### EDUCATION

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2005 – 2008

#### PhD in Nuclear and Subnuclear Physics

Faculty of SMFN (Mathematics, Physics and Natural Science), University of Ferrara (IT), Summa cum Laude

- data analysis of the  $B \rightarrow J/\psi\phi K$  rare decays at BaBar (charmonium spectroscopy). Published paper: PRD91 (2015) 012003
- development of C++ methods and classes for data analysis (MC simulations and data of the BaBar experiment –  $e^+e^-$  detector located at Stanford, USA)
- Root-based algorithms, multivariate analysis tools, *i.e.* TMVA, development of tracking-software algorithms (C, C++, Fortran77)
- MC simulations for the  $\bar{P}$ ANDA experiment –  $p\bar{p}$  future detector at FAIR, Germany; interface of the BaBar tracking algorithms inside the  $\bar{P}$ ANDA framework
- author of *TrkFixup* – module TrkSvtHitRecovery, a tracking algorithm developed inside the BaBar framework (C++) with the purpose to fix bugs, improve reconstruction efficiency of tracks, write track finding and fitting procedures making use of the Kalman Filter method. Published paper: NIM A 729 (2013) 615
- track finding efficiency studies:  $K_S^0$  tracking efficiency studies. Published paper: NIM A 704 (2013) 44.

2003 – 2004

#### Master's degree in Physics

Faculty of SMFN, University of Roma La Sapienza (IT)

- data analysis of the  $B^+ \rightarrow D^0 K^+$  decays and study of the interference between  $B^+ \rightarrow D^0 K^+$  and  $B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 K^+$  to extract the  $\gamma/\phi_3$  angle of the Unitarity Triangle (CP violation in B decays) with BaBar data. Dalitz analysis. Characterization of background and study of an *ad hoc* signal-to-background discriminant: comparison between Fisher/neural network discriminants, selection optimization, evaluation of branching ratio over MC and data samples. Published (update) paper: PRD78 (2008) 034023

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#### Socio-psycho-pedagogical high school

School: C. Poerio, Education and training (IT)

- For five years, I attended courses in Mathematics, Physics, Literature, Art, History, Geography, Chemistry, Physical training, Philosophy, Music, English, Latin, Psychology, and Pedagogy, with two years of training in an elementary school and 1-year of training (320 hours) in a nursery. The study was focused on learning teaching methods and developing pedagogical skills in teaching undergraduate students. I obtained the proper certification.

### CAREER OUTSIDE ACADEMIA

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2023

#### Italian, English, French and German content writer and proofreader at Topcontent | Translation quality control specialist

Articles written and approved for several newspapers, in the fields of economy, gambling, finance, business, and renewable energy.

#### Professional tutor at ABACUS

Private lectures and support to students in the age 13-18. I have taught Algebra, Geometry, Physics, English, Astronomic geography, in German and English languages.

#### Professional tutor at UniProf

Online lectures and thesis proofreading for students in several Italian and Irish Universities. I have taught Geometry, Algebra, General physics I and II, Statistics in English and Italian.

## PEER REVIEW / EDITOR EXPERIENCE

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2016 – 2023

I have worked as peer reviewer for:

- the American Physics Society (APS): 11 Physics Review D and 14 Physics Review Letters articles. The impact score of these ranks up to 9;
- 1 article at the European Physics Journal (EPJ), with an impact score of 4;
- 1 at the Canadian Physics Society;
- 2 at the Chinese Physics Society, with impact score of 4;
- 1 at the Journal of High Energy Physics (JHEP), with impact score of 8.58.

I have been also referee of many proceedings of international conferences since 2016, and tutor of student theses.

## TRANSLATOR ACTIVITY

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2008 – 2017

- I have worked as a volunteer and advocate for the Compassion Centre Onlus S.p.a., which offers care to over 2 million children in poor areas of the world. It is a long-distance adoption centre. I was involved as an English-Italian translator in the project 'Raise a child out of poverty with a book'.
- Topcontent translator from/to: English, Italian, French, German.

## MANAGEMENT POSITIONS

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2009 – 2024

- Principal Investigator of my research group in the Belle and Belle II experiments (Japan) until 2022;
- Diversity Officer of the Belle II Collaboration;
- Publication Committee of the Belle II Collaboration;
- Publication Committee of the PANDA Collaboration (Germany);
- Physics Advisory Committee of the Belle II Collaboration;
- Dissertation Committee at DFICU university (chair of PhD committee);
- Management Board of the yHEP association (young High Energy Physicists Association);
- Convenor of the Charmonium data-analysis working group at Belle II;
- Software Coordinator (skim and releases) at BaBar (Stanford, USA)

## RESIDENCE ABROAD

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2004 – 2019

- Chicago, Illinois, USA (2002);
- Annecy-le-Vieux, France (2007-2010);
- Berkeley, California, USA (2008);
- Stanford, California, USA (2009 and short periods from 2004 until 2011);
- Germany (2011 to present);
- Japan and China, short periods in 2011 - 2019, integrated over 8 months;

## SPECIALIZATION COURSES

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2023

- Online CS229 and CS230 courses - Stanford: Machine Learning (free course from 2018): Broad Introduction To Machine Learning and Statistical Pattern Recognition; Deep learning.
- University of Cambridge: Leveraging Big Data with Business Intelligence, with certificate, Credential ID: 4946023. Regression models and Deep Neural Network models were discussed, and a program in Python language was delivered to solve the problem of insurance and taxi accidents in New York.

## ACADEMIC CAREER

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January 2024 to present

### Global Humanistic University (GHU), AI, UK

University Professor, equivalent to a full professor position level A

- PhD Advisory
- Lecturer

June 2023 – June 2024

### Frankfurt School of Management and Finance (FSFM), DE

Lecturer in Mathematics and Statistics (Freelancer, on site)

June 2023 – June 2026

### DFICU, UK University

Online Lecturer and dissertation committee (Freelancer, online)

2021

### Assistant Researcher

II. Physics Institute, Justus-Liebig-University of Giessen, DE

- Belle and Belle II experiment - member
- Diversity and Inclusion Officer at Belle II
- Physics Statistics Advisory Committee at Belle II
- Publication Committee at Belle II
- Chair of the committee for the election of IB (Institutional Board) chair at Belle II
- Chair of the Hadron and Nuclear Physics Panel in the Management Board of the yHEP (young High Energy Physicist Association) - national representative of academics with non-permanent contract
- Convenor of the Charmonium data analysis working group at Belle II
- Principal investigator of a proposed and approved DFG (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft) project: Search for 4- and 6- quark exotic states with BaBar+Belle combined data sets (177,350 euros). 1 PhD student employed under this project funding
- Supervision of 5 bachelor-, 1 master-, 1 PhD student
- data analysis of the Belle and Belle II experiment in particle physics; development of software tracking algorithm (C++ classes, Python scripts) to improve the reconstruction of long-lived particles, *e.g.*  $K_S^0$

January 2020 – December 2020

### Career interruption due to maternity leave

2013 – 2019

### Scientist

Institute of Nuclear Physics, Forschungszentrum Juelich (FZJ), Juelich (DE)

- Principal Investigator of BaBar/ Belle/ Belle II projects at FZJ (DFG project)
- $\bar{P}$ ANDA experiment - member
- Physics Statistics Advisory Committee in Belle II
- Diversity and Inclusion committee at Belle II
- Convenor of the Charmonium data analysis working group at Belle II
- Chair of the committee for the election of the spokesperson of Belle II
- Organizing Committee of the bi-annual Hadron Physics Summer School HPSS for 4 editions, and chair of the HPSS2018 (67 students, 20 lecturers)
- data analysis in particle physics with BaBar + Belle data sets: charm and charm-strange spectroscopy to search for new exotic states
- Peer review of International Physics Journals (APS, EPJ, JHEP) and referee of many proceedings of international conferences.
- Publication Committee in  $\bar{P}$ ANDA
- MC simulations with Giant3/4 for the  $\bar{P}$ ANDA experiment
- MC interface/implementation of Kalman-filter based algorithms (tracking algorithms) in  $\bar{P}$ ANDA: genfit2 (C++), arxiv: 1902.04405 [physics.data-an]
- supervision of 3 PhD students ( $\bar{P}$ ANDA experiment: MC simulations with C++ software implementation)
- teaching duties at University of Bochum: nuclear astrophysics, neutrino physics, detector in hadron physics, tracking algorithms.

October 2016 – May 2017

### Career interruption due to maternity leave

2011 – 2012 **Postdoctoral position**

Johannes Gutenberg University of Mainz, DE

- BaBar, BES III experiment - member
- lecturer in particle physics (2 semesters)
- data analysis and MC simulations (C++) for the BES III experiment: study of form factors in processes via  $\gamma\gamma$  interactions
- interface of MC tools in the BES III software: EKHARA
- supervisor of 3 bachelor students

2007 – 2010 **Postdoctoral position**

LAPP - Annecy le Vieux, France, and University of Savoy

- data analysis with BaBar data (C++):  $B \rightarrow D^0 K$  and extraction of the angle  $\gamma/\phi_3$  of the Unitarity Triangle with ADS method. Published paper: PRD82 (2010) 072006
- Software Coordinator (skim and release) of the BaBar experiment
- Responsible for the computing facility at Lyon: data skimming at BaBar
- $K_S^0$  tracking systematics team leader (C++, C algorithms) in BaBar

**TEACHING DUTIES**

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2011 – 2022

- Particle physics (JGU-Mainz, 2011-2012)
- Tracking algorithms for Detectors in Hadron Physics (RUB-Bochum, 2014)
- Statistics (physics summer schools and topical workshops since 2014)
- Detectors in Hadron Physics (RUB-Bochum, 2016)
- Computational Applications in Nuclear Astrophysics using JAVA (RUB-Bochum, 2017)
- Detectors in Hadron Physics (RUB-Bochum, 2018)
- Physics of Massive Neutrinos (RUB-Bochum, 2018)
- HPSS (Hadron Physics Summer School): form factors in  $e^+e^-$  colliders (2012)
- HPSS 2014-2016-2018: Data analysis methods in particle physics
- JENNIFER 2016 physics summer school: statistics methods in particle physics (2016)
- FAIRNESS 2015 summer school: XYZ exotic states
- ABACUS and UniProf: lecturer in Math-Phys-Stat-Latin, honorary-based
- Introduction to Mathematics, module I and II (FSFM, 2023-2024)
- Introduction to Statistics, module I and II (FSFM, 2023-2024)

**TUTORING STUDENTS**

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2007 – 2023

Tutor of 19 students (3 PhD-, 8 master-, 8 bachelor students)

- Dmytro Meleshko (PhD JLU-Giessen, ongoing)
- Andreas Hertens (PhD FZJ-Juelich, 2015) - partly contributed
- Lu Cao (PhD FZJ-Juelich, 2014) - partly contributed
- Oleksandr Skorenok (master TSNU-Kyiv, 2022)
- Dmytro Meleshko (master TSNU-Kyiv, 2021)
- Ihor Melnyk (master TSNU-Kyiv, ongoing)
- Robert Bormuth (master JGU-Mainz, 2012)
- Mauro Munerato (master Uni-Ferrara, 2007)
- Elisa Fioravanti (master Uni-Ferrara, 2007)
- Alexander Hahn (bachelor JGU-Mainz, 2011)
- Benedikt Kloss (bachelor JGU-Mainz, 2011)
- Ananya (bachelor visiting FZJ-Juelich, 2013)
- Taiisia Tysak (bachelor TSNU-Kyiv, 2019)
- Dmytro Meleshko (bachelor TSNU-Kyiv, 2019)
- Nils Ludwig (bachelor JLU-Giessen, 2021)
- Caroline Grün (bachelor JLU-Giessen, 2022)
- Christian Winkelmeier (bachelor JLU-Giessen, 2023)
- Ihor Melnik (master TSNU,Kyiv, 2023)
- Arsenii Kushev (master TSNU,Kyiv, 2023)

## FELLOWSHIPS and GRANTS

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June 2018 – June 2022

### JENNIFER2

Japan and Europe Network for Neutrino and Intensity Frontier Experimental Research (JENNIFER/JENNIFER2): renewed application has been approved and funded with H2020-EU.1.3.3. - Stimulating innovation by means of cross-fertilisation of knowledge - JENNIFER2 represents an extension of the previous JENNIFER, a MCSA-RISE (Marie Skłodowska-Curie Research and Innovation Staff Exchange - RISE) project.

December 2017 – May 2022

### DFG Research Grant

Search for four- and six- quark exotic states with charm- and strange- quarks (177,325 euros)

October 2006 – April 2007

### INFN Scholarship at Univ. Ferrara (IT)

Tracking software project within the BaBar experiment

April 2005 – December 2006

### INFN Scholarship at Berkeley - LBNL (USA)

Development of tracking-software tools (C++), Kalman-filter based, at BaBar

August 2002 – October 2002

### Scholarship at CDF, Chicago

Data analysis at the CDF experiment

## ORGANIZER OF NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

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2009 – 2021

- Hadron Physics Summer School, since 2012 (bi-annual physics summer school)
- PWA/ATHOS workshops, since 2018 (bi-annual workshop)
- VISTAS workshop (Bad Honnef, 2019) - canceled due to SARS-Covid19
- MITP: Hadron spectroscopy: the next big steps (14-25 March 2022)
- DPG - spring national annual physics meetings (yHEP session)
- JENNIFER physics summer school (2016)
- Indo-German symposium DWIH (Indore, Kolkata, Mumbai, 2013)
- Invited physicist at LBNL, SLAC, BINP

## CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS

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2005 – 2021

- DFG invited topical talk: Hunting XYZ Beasts at Belle and Belle II, 23.03.2022, Heidelberg.
- 21 invited plenary talks at international conferences, since 2009: DFG 2022, ECT\* 2021-2019, PWA/ATHOS 2019, FAIRNESS 2017, Annual Helmholtz Alliance meeting 2016, EMMI 2015, SCHLESCHING 2015, HQL 2014, ICNPF 2014, HIRSCHEGG 2014-2018-2024, IFAE 2009. Proceedings published afterward.
- 26 assigned talks on behalf of the experiments where I have worked: ICHEP 2014, HADRON 2021-2017-2015, PHIPSI 2019-2009, CHARM 2018, Excited QCD Workshop 2019, CHEP 2016, BORMIO 2015, PANIC 2014, ICNPF 2014, MENU 2013-2007, MESONET 2013, EINN 2011, HQL 2010, PANIC, QWG 2007-2008, SIF 2005. Proceedings published afterward.
- 12 invited seminars (Univ. Giessen, Univ. Bochum, FZJ (Juelich), Univ. Mainz, TUM Munich; LBNL (Berkeley); LAPP (Annecy-le-Vieux); India (Mumbai, Kolkata, Indore); Academy of Vienna; KEK.
- 8 invited lectures at physics summer schools (statistics).
- Scientific pilot of the Minister counsellor, head of science and technology section, delegation of the EU to Japan at the First Collision Ceremony at KEK (26.07.2018).

## SKILLS

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- Languages**
- Italian (native)
  - English (proficiency, C2)
  - French (good, B2)
  - German (proficiency, C1)
  - Ancient Latin (very good)
- Computing**
- C++, C, Fortran 77, OpenOffice, LaTeX, Microsoft Excel, Word; excellent use of Root-based algorithms, Python scripts, organization of web pages for conferences; expert in tracking-software algorithms; use of TMVA (neural network, BDT algorithms in data analysis); statistical tools, *e.g.* Feldman-Cousin algorithms, written in C, JAVA or R language. Used to Confluence pages, Jira ticket system, pandas, Jupyter notebook, GIMP for graphic solutions, google and lime for survey preparation. Knowledge of BigQuery, Colab, NN, ML and google analytics. Preference: I work with Fedora o.s. (Linux) and I am deep C++ "oriented"

## PUBLICATIONS

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732 publications, 41430 citations, 22 personal works.

$h_{HEP} = 102$ .

The list of the 10 most notable publications connected to the candidate research interest is provided below:

- Search for tetraquark states  $X_{c\bar{c}s\bar{s}}$  in  $D_s^+ D_s^+ (D_s^{*+} D_s^{*+})$  final states at Belle, Phys.Rev.D 105 (2022) 032002; 5 citations
- Evidence for  $X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$  Produced in Single-Tag Two-Photon Interactions, Phys.Rev.Lett. 126 (2021) 122001; 15 citations
- Evidence for a vector charmoniumlike state in  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow D_s^+ D_{s2}^* (2573)^- + \text{c.c.}$ , Phys.Rev.D 101 (2020) 091101; 12 citations
- Observation of a vector charmoniumlike state in  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow D_s^+ D_{s1} (2536)^- + \text{c.c.}$ , Phys.Rev.D 100 (2019) 111103; 25 citations
- The Belle II Physics Book, PTEP 2019 (2019) 12; 844 citations
- Observation of a charged  $(D\bar{D}^*)^\pm$  mass peak in  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \pi D\bar{D}^*$  at  $s=\sqrt{s}=4.26$  GeV, Phys.Rev.Lett. 112 (2014) 022001; 353 citations
- Observation of a Charged Charmoniumlike Structure in  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi$  at  $\sqrt{s}=4.26$  GeV, Phys.Rev.Lett. 110 (2013) 252001; 977 citations
- Measurement of the  $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$  transition form factor, Phys.Rev.D 80 (2009) 052002; 414 citations
- Evidence for  $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$  Mixing, Phys.Rev.Lett. 98 (2007) 211802; 449 citations
- The BABAR Detector: Upgrades, Operation and Performance, NIMA 729 (2013) 615; 309 citations

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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- URL: <https://inspirehep.net/authors/1032847?ui-citation-summary=true>
- GitHub link: <https://github.com/prencipe/>
- ORCID ID: 0000-0002-9465-2493
- DPG Membership since 2013
- Excellent skills in communication and happily working in international teams
- Demonstrated excellent problem-solving skills
- Demonstrated excellent skills in leading and motivating my team
- Teacher training, Curriculum developer for High education
- Love for: teaching, swimming, snow-board, painting, classic music
- Curious, open-mind, resilient, determined and focused on my objectives
- Very sensitive to environmental sustainability issues. Public document written with yHEP management board: <https://yhep.desy.de/sites/sites-custom/site-yhep/content/e61887/e122133/yHEPStatementonenvironmentalsustainabilityInScience-final.pdf>
- Deep passion for physics of fundamental interactions.
- Demonstrated ability in working under-pressure.
- Nominated to be the Institutional Board chair and Publication Committee chair of the Belle II experiment.
- Coaching Plus lectures attended (with certificate) at the Bildzentrum Bauer in Frankfurt am Main (DE).

- Mottos:  
"Genius is 1% talent and 99% hard work."  
"I will either find a way or make one."  
"Fall seven times and stand up eight."