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Profile

Massimiliano Guzzo is a Full Professor at the University of Padova, Department of Mathematics "Tullio Levi-Civita". His research focuses on Hamiltonian Dynamics, Deterministic Dynamical Systems and Celestial Mechanics; his work has been published on Science, Communications in Mathematical Physics, Nonlinearity, Icarus, Annales Henry Poincaré, SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics, Astronomy & Astrophysics, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, Physica D, Celestial Mechanics & Dynamical Astronomy, and various other specialized journals. MG has been invited speaker at numerous international conferences and serves as an associate editor for Nonlinearity. He has been PI of a MIUR-PRIN project; has been director of the scientific committee of the Italian society for celestial mechanics SIMCA. He is a member of the Course Board for the Phd in Mathematics, and has previously served on the Course Board for the Phd in Space Sciences, Technologies and Measurements at the University of Padova. Asteroid 34716 (2001 PC14) has been named '34716 Guzzo'. As a student, he was part of the Italian national team at the 20th International Physics Olimpiads.

Personal

Born on September 30, 1970, in Conegliano (Italy).

Employment

Permanent Position-Professore Ordinario

Università degli Studi di Padova

Post-doctoral experience

2000 Research grant-Assegno di Ricerca

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1999 Marie Curie Fellowship

Observatoire de la Côte d'Azur, CNRS, Nice

Education

1995-1999 Phd in Mathematics *Università degli Studi di Padova, Thesis "Nekhoroshev stability of quasi-integrable systems with singularities and degeneracy"*, advisor Prof. G. Benettin.

1990-1994 Laurea cum laude in Physics

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Recent Invited Lectures and Talks

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"Measures of slow diffusion in Hamiltonian Systems", CELMEC VIII, The Eighth International Meeting on Celestial Mechanics, University of Rome Tor Vergata, Italy, 5-9.9.2022.

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"Theory and applications of Fast Lyapunov Indicators for the computation of transit orbits", I-CELMECH Training School, 3-7/02/2020, Milano.

"Nekhoroshev theory and its applications: exponential estimates, chaos indicators and diffusion", XLIV Summer school on Mathem. Phys., 2-14/09/2019, Invited Lectures."

"Integrability of the spatial three body problem near collisions", New Trends in Celestial Mechanics, Cogne, Valle d'Aosta, Italy June 24-28, 2019.

"Integrability of the spatial restricted three-body problem near collisions", AMC70-between Mathematics and Astronomy, Pisa, September 3-5 2018.

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"The Levi-Civita regularization: why do we care of the three-body problem?", The legacy of Tullio Levi-Civita, Padova, February 19-20 2018.

"Computation of the hypertube manifolds in the spatial circular restricted three-body problem with chaos indicators", CELMEC VII, The Seventh International Meeting on Celestial Mechanics, San Martino al Cimino, Italy, 3-9.9.2017.

"Computation and Visualization of the Hypertube Manifolds in the Spatial Circular Restricted Three-Body Problem with Chaos Indicators", 9th Humboldt Colloquium on Celestial Mechanics, International conference on celestial mechanics with applications in space science, Bad Hofgastein, Austria, 19-25.03.2017.

"The past dynamics of comets: the case of 67P", From Giotto to Rosetta 30 years of cometary science, Padova, Italy 27-29.10.2016.

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"Hyperbolic manifolds and Arnold diffusion in a priori unstable systems", International Conference on the Dynamics of Celestial Bodies, 23-26.06.2008, Litohoro, Greece.

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"Chaos and diffusion in dynamical systems through stable-unstable manifolds", Novel Space-ways for scientific and exploration missions. Fucino Space Centre (Avezzano) and Scuola Superiore Reiss Romoli (L'Aquila), 15-10/17-10 2007.

"Mechanisms for the production of chaos in dynamical systems", Extra-Solar Planets: The detection, formation, evolution and dynamics of planetary systems, Skye, United Kingdom, 28-05/8-06 2007.

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