

FRANCESCO MAINARDI's 60th ANNIVERSARY

Prof. **Francesco MAINARDI** (Dept. of Physics, University of Bologna - Italy), **born 29 December 1942**, is celebrating this December his **60th Jubilee!** ...

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P.S. I like also to express my personal gratitude to **Prof. Rudolf Gorenflo**, the GUEST-EDITOR of this issue, who took on himself almost all the heavy (but as seen, so fruitful!) work of inviting, collecting and reviewing the papers contributed to this happy occasion. ...

Letter by Rudolf Gorenflo

Let us convey our wholehearted congratulations to our colleague as a scientist and member of our Editorial Board, Professor FRANCESCO MAINARDI, *on the occasion of his sixtieth birthday on December 29, 2002.*

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Francesco Mainardi has been *the main promoter of the WEB site devoted to the FRActional CALculus MOdelling* (<http://www.fracalmo.org>), that from its creation (the very end of 2000) has attracted the attention and the interest of many researchers in Fractional Calculus. He is also associated to the WEB sites on Econophysics (<http://www.econophysics.org>) and on Physics of Complex Systems at the University of Bologna (<http://www.physycom.unibo.it>). To celebrate his 60-th birthday, an *Interdisciplinary Workshop entitled "From Waves to Diffusion and Beyond"* will be held at the University of Bologna (Dept. of Physics) on 20 December 2002. Invited speakers include former students and Italian collaborators of Francesco, who are nowadays active in Italy. The title of this workshop somehow reflects the various topics treated by him and his co-workers, from problems of wave propagation and diffusion to special functions, fractional calculus and random walk models applied to finance. The programme is available in a NEWS of FRACALMO WEB site. Francesco has continued to be attracted by travelling for scientific purposes: he has visited many foreign qualified institutions and has attended a relevant number of conferences most of which outside Italy.

Rudolf Gorenflo, GUEST EDITOR OF THIS "FCAA" NUMBER

LIST OF SELECTED PUBLICATIONS of Francesco Mainardi

(A number of them, after 1997, can be downloaded from the
FRACALMO WEB: <http://www.fracalmo.org>)