

Public Event of the 23rd Solvay Conference in Physics
Sunday December 4, 2005

Programme

- 12:30 – 14:00 Access to the building
Registration of the participants
Welcome Coffee
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- 14:00 – 14:15 Introduction of the speakers by Marc Henneaux
(Director of the Solvay Institutes)
Opening address by Philippe Busquin (Member of the
European Parliament)
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- 14:15 – 14:55 Talk by Robbert Dijkgraaf (Amsterdam), *“Strings,
Black Holes and the End of Space and Time”*
- 14:55 – 15:35 Talk by Brian Greene (Columbia), *“The Fabric of the
Cosmos: Space, Time and the Texture of Reality”*
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- 15:35 – 16:35 Debate chaired by David Gross (Santa Barbara, Nobel
Laureate in Physics 2004) with the participation of
Thibault Damour (IHES), Robbert Dijkgraaf
(Amsterdam), Brian Greene (Columbia), Gerard 't
Hooft (Utrecht, Nobel Laureate in Physics 1999), Lisa
Randall (Harvard) et Gabriele Veneziano (Collège de
France),
led by Michel Claeysens (European Commission)
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- 16:35 – 16:40 Closing address by Jean-Michel Bazer (Director
“Science and Society” - European Commission)
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- 16:40 – 18:00 Cocktail