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# Paola Andrea Delcompare Rodríguez

## Personal Information

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**Academic interests:** Condensed Matter Physics. Electronic structure theory and simulation. Density functional theory. First principles molecular dynamics. Photocatalysis. Magneto-electric liquids. Liquid crystals.

## Employment

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<b>Feb 2023- Current</b>	<b>Post-doctoral Fellowship</b> <i>Istituto Officina dei Materiali (IOM) del Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR)-SISSA. Trieste, Italy.</i> IOM AR 020/2022 TS SISSA, titled: <i>Modellizzazione multi-scala di liquidi magneto-elettrici basati su derivati degli ossidi di ferro.</i> funded by the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation program under grant agreement No 899285 (MAGNELIQ: a magneto-electric Liquid To better sensing, <a href="https://www.magneliq.eu">https://www.magneliq.eu</a> ) Supervisor: Dr. Layla Martin-Samos.
<b>Feb 2022- Jan 2023</b>	<b>Post-doctoral Fellowship</b> <i>Istituto Officina dei Materiali (IOM) del Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR)-SISSA. Trieste, Italy.</i> IOM AR 014/2021 TS SISSA, titled: <i>Studio da principi primi di processi fotoelettrochimici su interface solido/liquido. Supporto teorico ad utenti del progetto NFFA-Europe Pilot.</i> Supervisor: Dr. Simone Piccinin.

## Academic Background

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<b>Nov 2018- March 2022</b>	<b>Ph.D. in Physics.</b> <i>Università degli Studi di Trieste. Trieste, Italy.</i> Thesis title: A Theoretical study of ultra-thin space charge layers in Hematite photoanodes. Supervisor: Dr. Nicola Seriani.
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Sep 2017- Aug 2018	<b>Postgraduate Diploma Programme, Condensed Matter Physics.</b> <i>International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP)</i> . Trieste, Italy. Thesis title: An ab initio fully relativistic study of the Ru(0001) surface electronic states. Supervisor: Dr. Nataša Stojic. Note: This is a pre-PhD programme with a duration of one year. It includes 12 courses and a research project of 3 months.
Jan 2012- Aug 2017	<b>Licenciatura en Física Aplicada</b> <i>Escuela de Ciencias Físicas y Matemáticas, Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala.</i> Guatemala. Thesis: Computational methods based on quantum entanglement for the analysis of phase transitions in quantum spin-1/2 chains. Supervisor: Dr. Giovanni Ramírez García. Note: This is a degree in Applied Physics that includes 10 semesters of courses, an internship and a thesis. The Licenciatura degree is often accepted as a Bachelor degree plus a Master degree in the United States and Europe.

## Publications

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Jul 2024	N. Seriani, P. A. Delcompare-Rodriguez, A. K. Adak, D. Pandey, V. Mahamiya, C. Pinilla and H. El-Khozondar. <i>Materials</i> , 2024, 17(14), 3460 (2024).
Sep 2021	Paola A. Delcompare-Rodriguez, Nicola Seriani. <i>Ultrathin space charge layer in hematite photoelectrodes: a theoretical investigation</i> . <i>Journal of Chemical Physics</i> 155, 114701 (2021).

## Experience

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2019-2021	<b>Students mentor.</b> Postgraduate Diploma Programme. <i>The Abdus Salam International Centre For Theoretical Physics</i> . Trieste, Italy. Coordinator: Mikhail Kiselev. Resolution of doubts from courses and Mentorship.
Jul 2014- Nov 2014	<b>Teaching Assistant.</b> Classical Mechanics course. <i>Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala</i> , Guatemala.

## Awards, Distinctions and Fellowships

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Nov 2018	<b>PhD Scholarship.</b> Scholarship financed by the Department of Physics from the University of Trieste with funds from ICTP. <i>The Abdus Salam International Centre For Theoretical Physics-UNESCO</i> .
Sep 2017	<b>Scholarship in Postgraduate Diploma Programme.</b> <i>The Abdus Salam International Centre For Theoretical Physics</i> . Trieste, Italy.
Sep 2017	<b>Magna Cum Laude Award.</b> <i>School of Physical Sciences and Mathematics, Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala</i> . Guatemala.

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<b>Sep 2015</b>	<b>Erasmus Mundus Stipendium.</b> <i>Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.</i> Berlin, Germany.
<b>Jul 2014</b>	<b>Academic Excellence Award.</b> <i>Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala.</i> Guatemala.

## Computational Grants

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<b>2022-2023</b>	<b>IS CRA Type C.</b> Cineca, Marconi100. <i>(67,000 CPU hours)</i> , Unraveling the reaction mechanism of the oxygen evolution reaction at the (110) hematite surface. The grant was obtained as principal investigator.
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## Seminars/Talks given

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<b>Oct 2021</b>	<b>Research Institute of Physical and Mathematical Sciences.</b> Invited seminar. <i>School of Physical Sciences and Mathematics. Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala.</i> Guatemala.
<b>Sep 2021</b>	<b>European Materials Society (E-MRS) fall meeting 2021 (online).</b> Contributed short talk. “A theoretical study of ultrathin space charge layers in hematite photoelectrodes”.
<b>Sep 2021</b>	<b>Three minutes thesis competition (online).</b> European Materials Society (E-MRS) fall meeting 2021.
<b>Sep 2021</b>	<b>VII Student Congress of Physics and Mathematics.</b> Invited talk.
<b>Jul 2021</b>	<b>I Guatemalan Physics Congress.</b> Contributed talk. Guatemalan Physics Association. Guatemala.

## Meetings

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<b>Apr 2025</b>	<b>MAGNELIQ: meeting Lubiana</b> Lubiana, Slovenia
<b>Sep 2024</b>	<b>MAGNELIQ: meeting Maribor</b> Maribor, Slovenia
<b>Apr 2024</b>	<b>MAGNELIQ: meeting Praga</b> Prag, Cechia
<b>Sep 2023</b>	<b>MAGNELIQ: M36 meeting Prensilia</b> Pisa, Italia
<b>Mar 2023</b>	<b>MAGNELIQ: 5th Project Meeting</b> Trieste, Italia

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## Workshops, schools and conferences attended

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27/06/2023- 29/06/23	<b>SSBench CECAM Workshop</b> LAAS-CNRS, Toulouse, France.
16/05/2023- 19/05/23	<b>Workshop on Frontiers in Excited State Electronic Structure Methods: from Spectroscopy to Photochemistry</b> Trieste, Italy.
09/11/2022- 11/11/22	<b>Advanced Quantum ESPRESSO tutorial: Hubbard and Koopmans functionals from linear response</b> Trieste, Italy. Attended online.
20/09/2021- 23/09/2021	<b>European Materials Society (E-MRS), Fall meeting 2021.</b> <i>Symposium A: Materials for energy applications: hydrogen storage/production, solar cells, super capacitors, thermoelectric and carbon based materials.</i> At- tended online.
24/05/2021- 28/05/2021	<b>Workshop on physics and chemistry of solid/liquid interfaces for energy conversion and storage.</b> <i>The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP).</i> Trieste, Italy. Attended online.
23/02/2021- 25/02/2021	<b>20th International workshop on computational physics and material science: total energy and force methods.</b> <i>The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP).</i> Trieste, Italy. Attended online.
28/09/2020- 30/09/2020	<b>Workshop on excited charge dynamics in semiconductors.</b> <i>The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP).</i> Trieste, Italy. Attended online.
16/04/2020- 29/05/2020	<b>Course of Solid state physics in quarantine.</b> <i>The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP).</i> Trieste, Italy. Attended online.
27/01/2020- 31/01/2020	<b>Computational school on electronic excitations in novel materials using the Yambo code.</b> <i>The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP).</i> Trieste, Italy.
10/06/2019- 21/06/2019	<b>Summer School on classical molecular dynamics for material science, nanotechnology and biophysics.</b> <i>International School for Advanced Studies (SISSA).</i> Trieste, Italy.
18/03/2019- 22/03/2019	<b>Course of Python.</b> <i>The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP).</i> Trieste, Italy.
09/01/2019- 11/01/2019	<b>19th International workshop on computational physics and material science: total energy and force methods.</b> <i>The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP).</i> Trieste, Italy.

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## Languages

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**Spanish:** Mother language.  
**English:** Advanced (C1).  
**Italian:** Advanced (C2).  
**German:** Intermediate-low (A2).  
**French:** Intermediate-low (A2).

## Computational Skills

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PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES: C++, FORTRAN and PYTHON.  
FIRST PRINCIPLES SOFTWARE: Good command of QUANTUM ESPRESSO,  
LAMMPS and CP2K.  
OTHERS: Good command of Linux terminal, emacs,  
L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Gnuplot, xCrysden, VMD and  
Mathematica.