

Advance media notice: Maths 'Nobel' winner to talk in Dublin

When: Monday, June 17, 7 p.m.

Where: Thomas Davis Theatre, Arts Building, TCD.

There is a rare opportunity to hear a maths 'Nobel' winner in Dublin next Monday [June 17]. Prof Stanislav Smirnov won the Fields Medal (the mathematics equivalent of a Nobel) in 2010, and as a teenager, he twice won the International Mathematics Olympiad.

He comes to Dublin to talk about the mathematics of percolation. This is the seemingly simple science of something -- could be oil, water or electrons for instance -- moving up and down through a medium. And the mathematics is relevant to a wide range of problems: everything from soil moisture content, to oil exploration and ferromagnets. As a result, Smirnov's Dublin talk should be of interest to a wide audience.

The talk is the annual public lecture for the Dublin Institute of Advanced Studies (DIAS), School of Theoretical Physics. Admission is free and all are welcome, no booking required.

Further details here <http://url.ie/hktc>

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