

# **STUDENTS' WORKSHOP**

## **“Hot Topics in Astrophysics 2002/2003”**

**Wednesday 14 May and Thursday 15 May 2003**

**Room F6306 (at Chalmers, Physics, Forskarhuset, 6th floor)**

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### **PROGRAMME**

**Wednesday 14 May**

- **13:15–13:20**  
Welcome to the audience  
— Alessandro Romeo

*Session 1* (Chairperson: Katarina Karlsson)

- **13:20–14:05**  
Solar Activity and Terrestrial Climate  
— Tommy Lindfors
- **14:05–14:50**  
Dynamics of the Crab Nebula  
— Oscar Agertz
- **14:50–15:35**  
Binary Pulsars  
— Gautam Narayan

*COFFEE BREAK*

*Session 2* (Chairperson: Eddie Berntsson)

- **15:45–16:30**  
Gravitational-Wave Astronomy  
— Daniel Persson
- **16:30–17:15**  
Is the Fine-Structure Constant Really Constant?  
— Christoffer Petersson

## Thursday 15 May

*Session 1* (Chairperson: Gautam Narayan)

- **09:30–10:15**  
Planet Formation  
— Katarina Karlsson
- **10:15–11:00**  
Life on Other Planets?  
— Eddie Berntsson
- **11:00–11:45**  
The Physics of SETI  
— Adam Thorp
- **11:45–11:50**  
Thanks to the audience  
— Alessandro Romeo