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Professor Anthony Thomas named South Australian Scientist of the Year



Through its Science Excellence Awards the State Government recognises the efforts and achievements of South Australian scientists. The principal category is South Australian Scientist of the Year which honours an individual who demonstrates outstanding excellence in science and has made significant national or international contribution to their field of research.

This year's winner is ARC Australian Laureate Fellow and CoEPP Associate Director Professor Anthony Thomas.

“This is a real honour. Thanks to the ARC which has strongly supported my work and especially to my colleagues in CoEPP and CSSM whose collaboration has contributed greatly to this success.”

Professor Thomas's list of achievements in physics is extensive and includes being an Australian Laureate Fellow and Elder Professor of Physics at the University of Adelaide. A renowned theorist, Professor Thomas served as Chief Scientist and Associate Director for Theoretical and

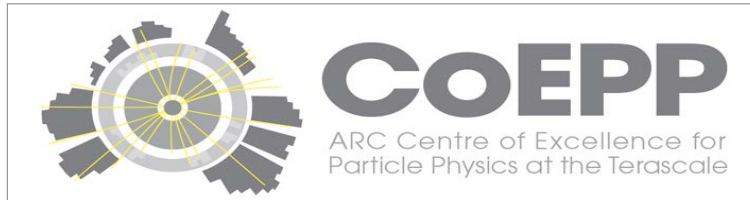
Computational Physics at Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility in Virginia USA, and worked in the Theory Division at European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN). His published papers have in excess of 17,000 citations combined.

Firmly settled in Australia, his research continues to unravel the rich and complex structure of subatomic matter, using experiment, theory, advanced computations and simulation.

Professor Thomas says that

“the more we research the laws of the universe, the more it unlocks its secrets. This knowledge impacts everything, from public policy to the little things we do every day.”

CoEPP congratulates Professor Thomas on this outstanding recognition and achievement.



Available for interview

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