

## Curriculum Vitae Professor Dr Adrian Constantin

**Name:** Adrian Constantin

**Date of birth:** 22 April 1970



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### **Research Priorities: Differential equations, fluid mechanics, oceanography, atmospheric research**

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### **Academic and Professional Career**

since 2008	Professorial Chair of Partial Differential Equations, University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria
2011 - 2014	Professorial Chair of Analysis, King's College London, London, UK
2004 - 2008	Erasmus Smith's Chair of Mathematics (1762), Trinity College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland
2004	Visiting Professor, Brown University, Providence, USA
2000 - 2008	Professorial Chair of Mathematics, Lund University, Lund, Sweden
2000	Lecturer, Applied Mathematics, University of Newcastle, Newcastle, UK
1999	Habilitation in Mathematics, University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland
1998 - 1999	Senior Research and Teaching Associate, University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland
1996 - 1998	Research and Teaching Associate, University of Basel, Basel, Switzerland
1996	PhD in Mathematics, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, New York University, New York City, USA

1992	Diplôme d'études approfondies in Mathematics, Université de Nice Sophia-Antipolis, Nice, France
1991	Maîtrise de mathématiques pures in Mathematics, Université de Nice Sophia-Antipolis, Nice, France

### **Functions in Scientific Societies and Committees**

since 2015	Co-Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Differential Equations
since 2015	Editor, Annali di Matematica Pura ed Applicata
since 2012	Editor-in-Chief, Monatshefte für Mathematik
since 2011	Member, Kollegium (Scientific Governing Board), Erwin Schrödinger International Institute for Mathematics and Physics, Vienna, Austria
since 2011	Editor, Journal of Mathematical Fluid Mechanics
since 2011	Editor, Quarterly of Applied Mathematics
since 2010	Editor, Discrete and Continuous Dynamical Systems

### **Project Coordination, Membership in Collaborative Research Projects**

2021 - 2026	Project "Theory and applications of nonlinear partial differential equations", Wittgenstein Award, Austrian Science Fund (FWF), Austria
2017 - 2021	Project "Equatorial wave-current interactions", Vienna Science and Technology Fund (WWTF), Vienna, Austria
2011 - 2016	Advanced Grant "Nonlinear studies of water flows with vorticity", European Research Council
2010 - 2015	Project "Lagrangian kinematics of water waves", FWF, Austria
2009 - 2013	Project "The flow beneath a surface water wave", WWTF, Austria
2007 - 2008	Project "Modelling tsunamis", Science Foundation Ireland (SFI), Ireland
2004 - 2007	Project "Mathematical studies of water wave phenomena", SFI, Ireland
2004 - 2006	Project "Mathematical studies of water waves", The Swedish Research Council (VR), Sweden

### **Honours and Awarded Memberships**

since 2022	Member, German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina, Germany
since 2022	Corresponding Member, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Austria

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2020	Wittgenstein-Prize, Austrian Science Fund (FWF), Austria
2019	ISI-Web of Science Highly Cited Researcher (Cross-Field)
2012	Plenary Speaker, 6th European Congress of Mathematics
2010 - 2018	ISI-Web of Science Highly Cited Researcher (Mathematics)
2007	Friedrich Wilhelm Bessel Research Prize, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Germany
2005	Göran-Gustafsson-Prize, Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, Sweden
1994	Benedetto Sciarra Prize, Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa, Pisa, Italy

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Constantin refines known mathematical methods and develops new mathematical approaches. Data collection is a crucial part of modern investigations into natural phenomena and while the processing of available data by means of automated machines is very helpful, even the best computer simulations can only produce correlations. However, theoretical investigations, strongly mathematical in nature, enable a successful search for causalities, upon which reliable predictions can be made. Nonlinear phenomena and processes are essentially determined by non-proportional dependencies and interactions of the relevant physical variables. The insights into their dynamics strongly depend on the discovery of specific structures. These can open up unexpected possibilities, in which the mathematical pursuit of accuracy, consistency and systematisation often facilitates elegant syntheses which reveal hidden mechanisms and enable a deeper understanding.

Adrian Constantin has made essential contributions to the theory of nonlinear waves, above all in regard to the dynamics of nonlinear water waves and the interaction between waves and currents in the ocean and in the atmosphere. In his investigations he combines methods from various fields of mathematics, such as partial and ordinary differential equations, complex and harmonic analysis, functional analysis, topology, differential and symplectic geometry, asymptotic analysis, variation calculation, and representation theory.