

## Ruder Josip Bošković: Three Centures 1711 - 2011

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### Abstract

Ruder Josip Bošković was born in 1711 in the Southern Dalmatian port of Ragusa (the present-day Dubrovnik) and died in 1787 in Milan, Italy. He was a Jesuit priest, mathematician, physicist, astronomer, geodesist as well as poet, diplomat, social figure and much-travelled personality. He produced about one hundred publications. His magnum opus, *Theoria philosophiænaturalis redacta ad unicam legem virium in natura existentium*, the first general mathematical theory of atomism, appeared in 1758 in Vienna. In 1748, Bošković became a corresponding member of the French *Académie des Sciences*, and in 1761 he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of London. This poster deals with his life and work in Dubrovnik, Italy, France and Austria.

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