

Elena Callus

postdoctoral researcher

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topics of interest: quantum information theory, quantum computing with continuous-variables, quantum resource theories

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research positions

Sep 2023 – present **postdoctoral researcher**

Friedrich–Schiller–Universität, Jena, Germany

working in the research group of Prof. Martin Gärttner at the Institute of Condensed Matter Theory and Optics ([group webpage](#)), with a focus on entanglement in CV systems with a phase-space approach.

Oct 2019 – Jul 2023 **doctoral researcher**

University of Sheffield, United Kingdom

worked in the theory branch of the LDS group ([group webpage](#)), researching quantum optics. specifically, investigated applications of light–matter interaction in entanglement generation and syndrome extraction for quantum error correction, as well as unidirectional photonic transport in waveguide-coupled nanocavities with experimental collaboration.

education

Oct 2019 – Jul 2023 **doctoral candidate (PhD)**

University of Sheffield, United Kingdom

supervised by Prof. Pieter Kok, working in the LDS group within the Department of Physics & Astronomy. thesis: *Applications of light–matter interaction in semiconductor structures* ([link to thesis](#)). defence held on 13th September 2023.

Oct 2014 – Jul 2018 **Bachelor of Science (Honours)**

University of Malta, Malta

joint honours degree in physics & mathematics. graduated with first class honours (*summa cum laude*). bachelor dissertation supervised by Dr André Xuereb: *A quantum perspective on random walks on graphs*.

publications

1. **E. Callus**, M. Gärttner, T. Haas. *Derivatives of phase-space distributions reveal continuous-variable entanglement*. Manuscript in preparation (2025).
2. **E. Callus**, M. Gärttner, T. Haas. *Interferometric detection of continuous-variable entanglement using two states*. *Phys. Rev. A* **112**, 033704 (2025).
3. N. J. Martin, D. Hallett, M. Duda, L. Hallacy, **E. Callus**, L. Brunswick, R. Dost, E. Clarke, P. K. Patil, P. Kok, M. S. Skolnick, L. R. Wilson. *Purcell-Enhanced, Directional Light–Matter Interaction in a Waveguide-Coupled Nanocavity*. *Optica* **12** (7), 1100-1108 (2025).
4. **E. Callus**, P. Kok. *Spin-augmented observables for efficient photonic quantum error correction*. *Phys. Rev. A* **108**, 042613 (2023).
5. **E. Callus**, P. Kok. *Cumulative generation of maximal entanglement between spectrally distinct qubits using squeezed light*. *Phys. Rev. A* **104**, 052407 (2021).

supervision & teaching

- **co-supervision** of bachelor's thesis of B. Bützker (FSU Jena, 2025). *Entanglement and multimode squeezing in high harmonic generation*.
- **supervision** of master's research internship of F. Armbruster (FSU Jena, 2025). *Separability criteria in continuous-variable systems*.
- **supervision** of summer internship of M. Duda (University of Sheffield, 2022).
- **co-ordinating & teaching** of masters module *Quantum information theory* (FSU Jena, 2025/26).
- **tutor** for *Fundamentals of Modern optics* & *Pre-course in Mathematics* (master's modules), *Optics & waves* (bachelor's module).

service to the scientific community

referee for following international scientific journals: *Physical Review Letters*, *Physical Review A*, *Physical Review B*, *Physical Review Research*, *AVS Quantum Science*.

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