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2nd Bulletin

The 4th Conference on Micro-Pattern Gaseous Detector, MPGD2015 (http://mpgd2015.ts.infn.it/) will take place from 12 to 15 October 2015 in Trieste, Italy at the Stazione Marittima Congress Center, strategically situated in the heart of Trieste, a few steps from the main hotels of the town, surrounded by the sea on three sides and at a few metres from Trieste main square, namely Piazza Unità d'Italia (Congress Centre address: Molo Bersaglieri 3, 34133 Trieste, ITALY). There will be plenary sessions and poster sessions. Wednesday afternoon, 14 October, is reserved for social activities. The conference will be followed by the 15th RD51 Collaboration Meeting, on 16 and 17 October (Friday and Saturday morning). The overall timetable can be found at https://agenda.infn.it/conferenceDisplay.py/getPic?picId=26&confId=8839 : please, note that the Conference starts on 12 October at 1:00 pm and ends on 15 October at 6:00 pm, while the RD51 Collaboration meeting starts on 16 October at 9:00 am and ends on 17 October at 1:00 pm.

MPGD2015 - Scientific program

A review of the current status of the different MPGD technologies will be given, while recent R&D achievements, ideas for future developments and prospects for industrial production will also be discussed. The conference is devoted to the following MPGD topics:

- ***New Developments in MPDGs***
- ***Production techniques***
- ***Material and Ageing Tests***
- ***MPGD Detector Physics***
- ***Simulation and Software***
- ***Electronics***
- ***Applications***

Call for Abstracts

Submission of abstracts is now open and the deadline is 14 June 2015. Abstract acceptance will be communicated by 20 July 2015 at the latest. Abstracts can be submitted through the MPGD2015 conference web page:

https://agenda.infn.it/abstractSubmission.py?confId=8839

Request for both oral and poster presentations will be considered. The MPGD2015 Conference Proceedings will be refereed and published with the open access scientific journal *EPJ Web of Conferences*.

Please take note that to complete your registration and abstract submission you have to create your 'INDICO account' for the MPGD2015 conference.

Registration

Registration is now open. Payments for early registration will be accepted until 31 July 2015, while late registration is extended to 30 September 2015. The registration fee covers lunch for the four days of the conference, the banquet, the social program and the proceedings. Participation in RD51 only does not require any fees. The registration fee is payable by credit card or bank transfer, but we cannot accept cash payments or traveler checks. Registered participants will receive the payment details by e-mail.

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Registration fee:

Early registration deadline of the payment of the registration fee: July 31, 2015

Late registration deadline of the payment of the registration fee: September 30, 2015

Fees

- Regular Participant: €450 / €550 (Early / Late)
- PhD Student: €350 / €450 (Early / Late)
- accompanying person: €150
- Invited Speaker: fees are waived

The George Charpak Young Scientist Award

The George Charpak Young Scientist Award has been a tradition of the MPGD Conferences since 2011 to acknowledge the best young scientists at the conference. This year's award is possible thanks to the sponsoring of CEA and RD51. The prize will be awarded at the end of the Conference´s last session.

Eligibility criteria:

1. maximum age of 35 years at the time of the workshop

2. contributions to MPGDs, as discussed in a talk or a poster presented at MPGD2015.

IMPORTANT: The young scientists presenting a talk or a poster at MPGD2015, are kindly requested to indicate their birth date in the "Comments" box while submitting their abstract.

Social Program

A welcome lunch is offered on Monday 12 October at 13.00 at the Conference venue.

A seminar dedicated to the special relation between Trieste and coffee will be given on Monday 12 October evening by dr. Furio Fuggi Liverani from Illycaffè .

A concert performance will be offered to the Conference participants on Tuesday 13 October evening.

Wednesday 14 October afternoon is reserved for the Conference excursion: the historical town of Cividale will be visited by a guided tour. Cividale, situated on the river Natisone, which forms a picturesque ravine here, formerly an important regional power, is reach of historical sights, in particular related to the period of the Lombard Kingdom, VI-VIII centuries.

The Conference banquet is offered on Wednesday 14 October evening at the Restaurant La Subida at Cormons (http://www.lasubida.it/).

How to reach Trieste

How to reach Trieste by Train

Trieste is connected to the most important Italian towns as well as with several european Capitals. The Stazione Centrale Rail Station is located near the centre of the town. For details refer to Trenitalia site: http://www.trenitalia.com/ .

How to reach Trieste by Airplane

The **Trieste International Airport** known as Ronchi dei Legionari International Airport (www.aeroporto.fvg.it) is located 35 km (22 miles) far from Trieste and it is connected to the town via Bus Line no. 51 (Bus Terminal: Piazza Libertà, adjacent to the rail Station; bus no. 51 timetable: http://www.aptgorizia.it/RicercaOrari).

The **Venice (Marco Polo) International Airport** (http://www.veniceairport.it) is 150 km (94 miles) far from Trieste. Bus lines and shuttles connect the airport to the Venezia-Mestre Rail Station. Direct trains connect Venezia-Mestre to Trieste.

The **Treviso International Airport** (http://www.trevisoairport.it) is located 145 km (90 miles) far from Trieste. Buses and shuttles are available to reach Treviso or Venezia-Mestre Rail stations.

The **Ljubljana (Slovenia) International Airport** (http://www.lju-airport.si) can also be considered as it is located 114 km (71 miles) far from Trieste.

IMPORTANT NOTE - From the listed airports to Trieste centre and return a shuttle service is available.   It is possible to book the Science-Bus at the link: http://www.science-bus.com/ . *For the MPGD participants a preferential rate will be charged using the code Pecac.* The cost of transportation from Trieste Airport to city centre is 18.70 EUR. **WARNING:** Bookings must be made at least 48 hours before the transport required.

How to reach Trieste by Car

Trieste is joined by the A4 highway to the Italian and European highways network.

Take the A4 motorway from Venice-Mestre or the A2 motorway from Tarvisio-Austria. Use the Lisert exit. Follow signs for Sistiana-Strada Costiera, then take route SS 14, a panoramic road leading directly to Trieste centre (km. 18).

Alternatively, take the Prosecco exit (immediately after the tunnel) and continue towards Opicina. From the crossroads turn right and continue down towards Trieste.

Where to park?

In the city centre, we recommend using metered parking spaces between 8.00 a.m. and 8.00 p.m., Monday to Saturday. Prepaid cards are available. Alternatively, indoor parking facilities can be found at:

- PARKSI "Il Silos" (Ph.+3904044924) near the railway station
- PARKSI "Foro Ulpiano" (Ph.+39040362262) in the city centre
- AUTOPARK "BELVEDERE" (Ph.+39040418519),Campo Belvedere 7, near the railway station

Important dates

24/4/2015   *opening of the registration and abstract submission*

14/6/2015   *abstract submission dead-line*

20/7/2015   *feedback to abstract submitters*

31/7/2015   *DEAD LINE for early registration and hotel preferential rates*

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