MENU 2013 - First Circular

We are pleased to announce that the 13th International Conference on Meson-Nucleon Physics and the Structure of the Nucleon will be held in Rome (Italy) from September 30th to October 4th 2013.

MENU2013 venue is at the Pontificia Università di Santa Croce, close by to the famous Piazza Navona, downtown Rome.

The scientific program features invited as well as contributed talks, with morning Plenary Sessions, afternoon Parallel Sessions and a Poster Sessions.

MENU2013 is organized with the support of the Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare (INFN). It is sponsored by the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (JLab), the Jefferson Science Associates (JSA), the University of William and Mary, the University of Rome "Tor Vergata" and by CAEN. The Conference has been endorsed by the International Union of Pure and Applied Physics (IUPAP).

We look forward to seeing and to welcoming you in Rome. The local organizing committee:

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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

The list of topics covered by MENU2013 includes:

- * Meson-Nucleon Interactions
- * Hadron Spectroscopy
- * Nucleon Structure
- * Few Body Systems
- * Fundamental Symmetries
- * Electroweak Probes
- * Future Facilities and Directions

SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION AND PROCEEDINGS

We encourage the submission of oral and poster contributions. The Local Organizing Committee, in collaboration with the International Advisory Committee, will invite plenary talks and select contributions for the parallel and poster sessions.

The abstract submission will be open through the Conference website from February 15th through April 30th 2013.

The oral contributions will be published in the Conference Proceedings.

GENERAL INFORMATION

This project is supported by the JSA Initiatives Fund Program, an annual commitment from the JSA owners, SURA and CSC/ATD, to support programs, initiatives, and activities that further the scientific outreach, and promote the science, education and technology missions of Jefferson Lab and benefit the Lab user community

MENU2013 will be conducted in accordance with IUPAP principles as stated in the IUPAP resolution passed by the General Assembly in 2008. In particular, no bona fide scientist will be excluded from participation on the grounds of national origin, nationality, or political considerations unrelated to science.

BADGE

Each participant will receive a name badge upon check-in at the registration desk. The badge will be the official Conference pass and should be worn at all time in order to get assess to both the Conference venue and all catering services.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

Regularly registered participants will receive a certificate of attendance.

LETTERS OF INVITATION AND VISA REQUIREMENTS

Participants are invited to check with their local travel agency regarding any visa requirements to enter Italy. Application for letters of invitation will be accepted by the Conference Secretariat and Facilitator before May 20th 2013. These documents cannot grant any financial support by the organizers.

REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION

Registrations will open on February 15th 2013 at the website:

menu2013.roma2.infn.it

The full registration fee amounts to $450 \, \in$, which will be increased to $500 \, \in$ after May 30^{rd} 2013. All students are eligible for a reduced registration fee of 350 €, which will be increased to 380 € after May 30th 2013.

Fees including taxes when applicable	Until May 30th 2013	After May 30th 2013
Full registration	450,00 €	400,00 €
Student*	350,00 €	380,00 €

^{*} a proof of status is mandatory

Full registration and student fee includes:

- Attendance to all Conference and Poster sessions
- Conference bag
- Conference Program
- Coffee breaks and lunches from September 30th to October 4th
- Conference Proceedings

A number of Hotels have been pre-booked for MENU 2013 and may be reserved on-line using the link on MENU2013 web site through the CTS travel agency, starting from February 15th 2013.

STUDENT SUPPORT

The participation of younger scientist working on the topics covered by the Conference is encouraged. Limited financial support to facilitate the participation of younger physicists (graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, research associates) is available.

A number of low-price accommodations can be reserved contacting the Conference Secretariat.

SOCIAL EVENTS

A social dinner is planned on Thursday October 3rd (the cost is not included in the fee).

IMPORTANT DATES

February 15, 2013:

Abstract Submission Begins 'Early Bird Registration' Begins Hotel accommodation begins

April 30, 2013:

Submission Dead Line for Parallel Sessions and Poster Abstracts

May 15, 2013:

Scientific Program Fixed

May 30, 2013:

'Early Bird Registration' Ends Guaranteed Hotel accommodation ends

Additional questions may be addressed to the Organizing Committee at menu2013@roma2.infn.it.