

SPQT2024

Santa Margherita di Pula (Sardinia), 2-8 June 2024

Newsletter #2

February 19, 2024

Dear All,

This is to update you on some SPQT-related matters. In case you want not to receive any more mail related to the conference, please send a mail with subject "unsubscribe"

1. **(pre)-Registration** is now open; a registration form is available on our web site www.sptspt.it/SPT2024/SPQT2024.html Through this form you can also propose a contribution (see below). The registration process is overseen by Massimo Moscolari; in case there are problems with the form contact him at the address massimo.moscolari@polimi.it
2. **Reservation** in Hotel Flamingo or in the nearby Mare Pineta is also possible; and again a reservation form is also available through our web site (see above). We stress in this respect that you are strongly advised to book your room by **February 29**: after this date the block of rooms which have been reserved for the conference will return to being available to the general public, so that - in particular if some group decides to book at Flamingo - late reservation could find no room. Note that
 - a. The cancelation policy is explicitly stated in the reservation form.
 - b. The organizers can not help in any way towards hotel reservation.
 - c. You are of course free to lodge elsewhere;
 - d. in this case you will, if you wish, be able to have meals in Flamingo with other participants, at a flat rate of 25 E per meal.
3. As stressed in Newsletter#1, it is our intention to keep a relaxed pace in the meeting, allowing for informal discussion and interaction among participants. This means we will have a relatively small number of talks, by invitation only. Participants are welcome to contribute in other ways, such as posters (see registration form).
4. We understand that for some of you knowing about the **acceptance** of your contribution may be essential when planning your travel and in order to secure funds. There can be a clash of dates with the hotel deadline (see point 2 above).
 - a. All the contributions proposed by **Sunday February 25** will be swiftly examined, and we will communicate acceptance by February 27.
 - b. Contributions proposed at a later time (final deadline **Wednesday April 24**) will be examined later on; acceptance will be communicated by April 28.

- c. The organizers may run another intermediate evaluation of proposed contributions received by March 31 and hence communicate acceptance of these in early April.
5. We also remind you about the other SPT conference, taking place in the same location and in the following week, devoted to Chemical Reaction Networks. See their web site www.sptspt.it/SPT2024/SPTCRN2024.html
6. Pula is better reached through Cagliari. In due time we will arrange for transfer from the Cagliari airport (and, if required, port) directly to the Hotel. It is also possible to reach Pula by public transport (ARST service); again, details will be communicated in due time (when summer schedule is available). You may as well access the ARST web site <https://www.arst.sardegna.it/> ; the lines connecting Cagliari (and airport) to Santa Margherita are #129 and #133.
7. Some participant asked the **overall schedule**, in order to fix their travel details; so here are relevant details:
 - a. Sunday June 2 is arrival day, i.e. we expect you to arrive on that day, better if in time for a common dinner, and for a get-together drink before dinner;
 - b. talks will start around 9.00 on Monday and terminate around 19:00 on Friday; there will be long intervals in the hotter part of the day.
 - c. Saturday June 8 is departure day, i.e. we expect you to leave on Saturday (or later if you wish) after having a final dinner together (and maybe a farewell drink before that) on Friday evening.
 - d. It is possible (that is, generally planned but not finally decided neither organized yet) that Wednesday will be dedicated - fully or partially - to an excursion.
8. Some of the invited speakers were so kind to already give us a (tentative) title and abstract; you may access these through our web page. The **titles & abstracts file** is regularly updated (about once a week).
9. If you have not received it (e.g. you subscribed afterwards), the Newsletter #1 is available through our web page.

Looking forward to meeting you in Pula

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