13\textsuperscript{th} International Workshop on Meson Production, Properties and Interaction

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

MESON conference is a biennial event organized in order to establish closer contacts between experimentalists and theorists involved in the studies of meson production, properties and interaction. The workshop will cover both experimental and theoretical aspects, and in particular presentation of new results.

The main topics of the workshop are:
- hadronic and electromagnetic meson production,
- meson interaction with mesons, nucleons and nuclei,
- structure of hadrons,
- fundamental symmetries,
- exotic systems,
- novel approaches in theory and experiment.

The intention is to provide an overview of the present status in these fields as well as of new developments, and a preview of forthcoming investigations. This workshop - the 13\textsuperscript{th} of the series - will maintain the tradition of the meetings organized since 1991 in Cracow.

FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

The sessions will be held from Thursday, May 29, to Tuesday, June 3, 2014. The morning plenary sessions are intended for invited general lectures. Afternoon sessions will be essentially devoted to contributed papers. A poster session will be held as an opportunity for students and young scientists to present the results of their work.

The organizers request all participants (including invited speakers) to submit abstracts of their contributions until March 23, 2014. Several slots in plenary sessions have been reserved to promote most interesting contributed talks – overview talks will be preferred here.

INDICO

Starting from this edition, we use the Indico system to manage conference data. Therefore before registration to the conference, each participant needs to create a local Indico account. Using this account one may register to the conference, modify her/his registration record, submit an abstract and upload a presentation. Later on Indico will also be used to collect contributions to the conference proceedings.

PROCEEDINGS

The proceedings of the last conference, MESON2012, have been published in European Physical Journal Web of Conferences Vol.37, 2012. Also for the 2014 edition, contributions from all speakers and authors of posters will be published in the same online journal. Detailed information on the preparation of papers will be given during the workshop.
KEY DATES
23 March, 2014  Deadline for abstract submission
22 April, 2014  Notification of acceptance
27 April, 2014  Deadline for registration and reduced fee payment

REGISTRATION AND CONFERENCE FEE
A conference fee of 300/350 EUR (if paid before/after April 27, 2012) will be charged to all participants. The conference fee will cover lunches during the workshop, a conference kit, Sunday excursion, refreshments during coffee breaks, banquet and publication of the proceedings. Banquet and excursion for accompanying persons will be charged at the conference site, but should be registered in the registration form of the participant.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Limited financial assistance to young researchers and scientists from developing countries is available, also in the form of free accommodation in the guest rooms of the Institute of Nuclear Physics, Polish Academy of Sciences. Please indicate your request on the registration form or contact the organizers via e-mail.

LOCATION
The workshop will be held at the Auditorium Maximum of the Jagiellonian University. It is located in the town center, at a ten-minute walking distance from the Market Square.

ACCOMMODATION
We do not provide interface between the participants and the hotels. We hope this will allow you to choose the accommodation which you find most suitable. For your convenience we have pre-booked a number of hotel rooms in five hotels we collaborated with at the previous editions of the MESON conference. Their locations, prices, deadlines and contact information are indicated on http://meson.if.uj.edu.pl/?id=10.

SOCIAL PROGRAM
On Thursday afternoon, after the last session, a welcome reception will be held in the conference center. On Sunday, June 1, an excursion to the Wieliczka salt-mine will be organized. A choice between two routes: a tourist route and a miners’ route is left to the participants. While the first one is a classical route showing the most amazing places of the mine, the second route is an active expedition and requires increased physical effort. On Monday, June 2, all participants are invited to the conference dinner which will be held in the courtyard and Professors’ Garden of Collegium Maius of the Jagiellonian University. It is possible to book individual one-day excursions to Częstochowa Monastery with the miraculous painting of Our Lady, the World War II concentration camp of Auschwitz or to Zakopane in the heart of the Tatra Mountains. The conference office will be ready to help you with the arrangements.

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We are looking forward to seeing you in Cracow!

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