International Conference on Frontiers in Nuclear Structure, Astrophysics and Reactions 3rd CIRCULAR



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Dear Colleagues,

This is the third and final circular of the International Conference on Frontiers in Nuclear Structure, Reactions and Astrophysics (FINUSTAR) to be held on the Aegean island of Kos, Greece, on 12-17 September 2005.

This circular contains information on the scientific programme, social events as well as final instructions for the oral and poster presentations and useful information on transportation to/from the venue and Kos International Airport. The information included herein can also be found on the conference webpages (http://www.inp.demokritos.gr/~finustar).

The venue for the conference is the Kos International Convention Center (KICC) at the Kipriotis Village Resort in Kos. It is located at 3 km distance from the city and main port of Kos, and at 25 km distance from Kos International Airport. Accommodation for the participants has been arranged at the Kipriotis Village Resort and reservations have been made directly with the Hotel Reservations Office at a special rate valid until 15 July.

Registration will be held at the KICC starting on Sunday 11 September, from 14:00-18:00, and will continue on Monday 12 September, from 8:00-8:30. Participants who have not already paid the Registration Fees will be asked to pay the amount of 380 Euros at the Registration Desk. Students will have to pay 250 Euros and accompanying persons 220 Euros. On Sunday evening there will be a Welcome Reception at the Kipriotis Royal Pool at 20:00. We will need to know the number of persons attending the Reception in advance so those planning to come are kindly requested to inform the Organizing Committee as soon as possible (kos2005@inp.demokritos.gr). In addition, all participants are kindly asked to send their arrival and departure dates to the Organizing Committee.

On Wednesday 14 September, we have organized a day trip to the Holy Island of Patmos, where we shall enjoy a guided tour of the famous Monastery of St John, including the Grotto where the Revelation occurred and the museum. The cost of the excursion is 38 Euros which includes the cost of transport to the island (Flying Dolphin), bus to the Monastery, museum entrance and tour guide. Only a limited number of seats (115) are available with the Flying Dolphin so participants willing to join in the excursion are kindly asked to contact the Organizing Committee

(kos2005@inp.demokritos.gr) as soon as possible. A list of other possible excursions and guided tours for conference participants and accompanying persons can be found on the conference webpage (http://www.inp.demokritos.gr/~finustar/programme.html) and will also be available at the Registration Desk. In addition, a representative from the Travel Agency (Aeolos Travel) organizing all these events will be present at the Registration Desk throughout the conference week for further assistance.

The Conference Banquet will be held on Thursday 15 September, at 20:00, around the swimming pool of the Panorama Five Star Hotel, located on the slopes of the hill just behind the conference venue and within walking distance from the venue. The Banquet will open with the performance of traditional folk dances by the Lykeion Hellinidwn Folk Dance group of Kos.

The sessions of the conference will begin on Monday morning. 12 September, at 8:30 and will end by Friday evening, 16 September. Invited talks will be 30 min long (25'+5' discussion) and all other oral contributions will be either 20 min (15'+5') or 15 min (12'+3') long. The scientific program of the conference can be found at http://www.inp.demokritos.gr/~finustar/programme.html. A video projector will be available for presentations in powerpoint or pdf format as well as an overhead projector for transparencies. Posters (height 120mm x width 90mm) will be hanged on arrival (11-12 September) and will remain in display throughout the conference. The poster session will be held on Monday 12 September and will be accompanied by wine and cheese.

The proceedings of the conference will be published by AIP. Detailed instructions for the authors including templates in latex or MS Word are available online for a 6x9 inch format at http://proceedings.aip.org. Invited talks should not exceed 8 pages, oral contributions should be up to 5 pages and poster contributions should be 3 pages. Authors should send the source files (LaTeX, MS Word) including the figures in eps files, and a printout version (ps or pdf file) to kos2005@inp.demokritos.gr by 12 September 2005, or hand them in on a removable media (floppy, cd-rom, memory stick) at the registration desk at the beginning of the conference.

Transportation to/from the venue and Kos International Airport is possible day and night by

- Taxi service (taxi station in front of terminal entrance). The cost of a taxi ride from the airport to the venue is approximately 25 Euros.
- Bus connection operated by Aeolos Travel. The cost is 10 Euros for a one-way ride. Buses will be available upon request from the participants, so please contact Aeolos Travel directly at aeolos@internet.gr and provide them with arrival/departure flight details. Please indicate that you are attending the FINUSTAR Conference in your e-mail.

Looking forward to welcoming you in Kos The Organizing Committee