

sSPT2023 4-10 June 2023, Otranto

Newsletter #9

Dear All,

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The sSPT23 workshop is organized by G. Gaeta and S. Walcher, with the precious help of R. Vitolo.

1. This Newsletter has no specially significant news, its main purpose is to welcome the new subscribers to our mailing list and keep this communication channel open; I will anyway take this occasion to repeat relevant info about the workshop and provide some practical information. I expect the next Newsletter will be issued at the end of April.
2. The conference web page – including the preliminary titles & abstract booklet – is being kept updated; in particular, in case of cancellations we will remove names, and we will modify the titles & abstracts if needed (one was indeed changed).
3. We had announced a moderate conference fee could be levied on participants. This is going to be 25 euros (reduced fee 15 euros); it serves to cover costs which cannot be charged on funding bodies.
4. The tentative overall schedule will be from 9:30 to 12:30 in the morning, and from 16:00 to 19:00 in the afternoon; in both half-days there will be a substantial (about 45') coffee break. Schedules could shift 30' up or down (in particular for climatic reasons), but the total length of talks will not grow beyond these limits.
5. Let me remind that albeit the standard accommodation in the Hotel is half-board, it will be possible to have also light lunches in the Hotel, at a moderate fare (10 E); on the other hand, it is possible that you prefer to spend the lunch break at the beach, or around the beautiful old town – or exploring the surroundings if you have got a car.
6. As far as we know, a *very* limited number of rooms are still available in the Hotel.
7. Slots for talks are by now filled; it is still possible – until April 30 – to propose posters; we would appreciate if those planning to do so don't wait the last moment.
8. Let me remind you that there will be no proceedings, nor related editorial initiatives, for SPT2023; those who wish to write a paper – even of review nature – related to their talk at SPT can note that both the diamond open access journal “*Open Communications in Nonlinear Mathematical Physics*” (<https://ocnmp.episciences.org/>) and the Mathematical Journal of Lecce/Salento University, named “*Note di Matematica*” (<http://siba-ese.unisalento.it/index.php/notemat>) will welcome such submissions.

9. Now, some practical info about travel, in particular for the last step, i.e. Lecce to Otranto (see previous newsletter #5 for getting from Bari or Brindisi airports to Lecce). One option is of course to have transfer arranged by the Hotel; as for public transport, there are two options, i.e. train and bus. Trains are managed by “Ferrovie del Sud Est”, but schedules and tickets are also available through the Trenitalia web site, i.e. www.trenitalia.com; they also run some bus services. As for buses by other companies we do not yet have full information, but hope to get these in the near future (some info were given in previous newsletters)
10. The June schedules for the train-operated services are now announced; actually, it comes out on Sunday there will only be buses (which by the way are much faster than trains, on this line), albeit trains might be added to the schedule later on. Guaranteed bus services costs 3.70E, take about 45 minutes and leave from Lecce (via Don Bosco, nearby the train station – they should also stop in front of the station, two minutes later, but this should be checked) at:
 - 07:58
 - 13:13
 - 16:08
 - 18:58
11. Fares for the taxi/minibus transfer were announced in Newsletter #5. In particular,
 - The transfer Lecce-Otranto is
 - For 1-3 persons (taxi), 80E
 - For 4-8 persons (van), 110 E
 - The transfer Brindisi (airport)-Otranto is
 - For 1-2 persons, 100E
 - For 3-4 persons, 120E
 - For 5-8 persons, 150E
12. At present (end of March) car rental for that week (collecting car in Brindisi or Bari airports or in Lecce train station) is quoted starting at about 200E with discount car rental companies, and about 280E with major companies.

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