

Dear Everybody,

thanks to all those who sent in their registration, and in many cases proposals for a talk or other kind of communications. We had many more proposals than foreseen, but we trust we will keep the announced schedule for what concerns communication of acceptance etc.

Here are a few points which might need to be clarified.

(1) Due to a mistake in handling the website, for a couple of days the old version was posted; now you can again access the proper version (and the old circulars etc). Sorry.

(2) We will not send individual acknowledgements of registration, but at some point a list of registration received (with no details of proposals etc) will be posted. This will undergo some delay as several people did send registrations messages with different "subject", so that the system archived registration messages under "subscription" or other, and some human filtering (more accurate than foreseen) will be needed. In case you are among those who sent registration under undue subjects, please do NOT send again your registration: at some point everything will however be in order, and new messages would make new confusion.

(3) As announced, we will make a first selection based on proposals received by 15 Jan midnight. The results will be communicated at the latest on February 2.

IF some slots for talks are still available, it will be possible to send new proposals. However, if you did forget to send in a proposal by the deadline, please refrain from sending it now and await for further instruction.

(4) Finally, some participants mentioned problems with Hotel registration through the online system: it says the Hotel is full on those dates. This is because the whole hotel is indeed reserved for the conference: in order to reserve you should NOT go through the automated system, but send a mail message (mentioning SPT!) and await for a human answering it.

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