



Second Caribbean Symposium on Cosmology, Gravitation, Nuclear and
Astroparticle Physics, 4 – 6 May 2013, Havana, Cuba

Third International Symposium on Strong Electromagnetic Fields and
Neutron Stars, 7 – 10 May 2013, Varadero, Cuba

SECOND CIRCULAR

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Dear Colleague,

This circular contains updated information on STARS2013 – 2nd Caribbean Symposium on Cosmology, Gravitation, Nuclear and Astroparticle Physics, and SMFNS2013 – 3rd International Symposium on Strong Electromagnetic Fields and Neutron Stars. For more detailed information, please visit the official website of the events at <http://indico.cern.ch/event/stars2013>.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM:

The scientific program will consist of invited talks, contributed talks and poster sessions. They will cover recent developments in the following topics:

- STARS2013 – New phenomena and new states of matter in the Universe, general relativity, gravitation, cosmology, heavy ion collisions and the formation of the plasma of quarks and gluons, white dwarfs, neutron stars and pulsars, black holes, gamma-ray emission in the Universe, high energy cosmic rays, gravitational waves, dark energy and dark matter, strange matter and strange stars, antimatter in the Universe, and topics related to these.
- SMFNS2013 – Strong magnetic fields in the Universe, strong magnetic fields in compact stars and in galaxies, ultra-strong magnetic fields in neutron star mergers, quark stars and magnetars, strong magnetic fields and the cosmic microwave background, and topics related to these.

EVENT VENUES:

- STARS2013 will be held in the TRYP Habana Libre Hotel, one of the most emblematic hotels in Havana. The hotel is located in Havana downtown, right on the corner of 23rd and L, in the Vedado district.
- SMFNS2013 will be held in the Allegro Varadero Hotel, which is located in the kilometer 11 of Varadero beach at the Hicacos Peninsula, in Matanzas.

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT OF FEES:

The registration procedure is handled by the Integrated Digital Conference (INDICO) system at the conference website. Online registration is required for all participants. The registration deadline is 30 April 2013.

The formalization of the registration will be completed only after the payment of the conference fees. A single fee will be charged for both events: 300 Euros for payments until 31 December 2012 and 330 Euros after this date. This will cover lunches and coffee breaks during the meeting sessions and, additionally, entitle each participant to receive the books of abstracts and other promotional materials.

Notice that no facilities for payment by credit card are available at the registration desk. The conference fee must be paid preferably by international money transfer (free of bank charges for the recipient) to the following account:

Account Holder: OCE. Ministerio Ciencia Tecnología y Medio Ambiente: Soc. Cubana de Física

Account Number: 0525820023270025

Bank: Banco Metropolitano S.A.

SWIFT Code/BIC: BMNBCUHH

Address: Galiano 452 esq. a San José, CP 10200, La Habana, Cuba.

Payment details: STARS2013 participant_name

Please indicate your name in the payment details of the bank transfer form in order for us to better track your payment.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION:

The abstract submission is managed by the INDICO system. Please fill in the online submission form at the website of the events. The abstract submission deadline is April 14, 2013. In order to submit the title and short abstract of your contribution, you need an INDICO account at CERN. If you do not have one, you can easily create a CERN External Account following the simple steps described at the conference website.

ACCOMMODATION:

The conference accommodation (including Airport/Hotel/Airport and Havana/Varadero/Havana transfers) is organized by Gaviota Tours S.A., the official travel agency of the events. Please contact Ms. Zahily Delgado González via the email comercial1.te@gaviotatours.cu to make your own hotel reservation. You will find detailed information about the accommodation package options and hotel prices at the conference website.

If you have any further question, please contact us via the official e-mail 2013stars@gmail.com.

Looking forward to welcoming you in Havana,

Best regards,

Ricardo González Felipe and Aurora Pérez Martínez

On behalf of the STARS2013/SMFNS2013 Organizing Committee

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