

Gyöngyös and Budapest, July 29, 2014

Dear Colleagues,

It is our pleasure to inform you about the progress of the organization of the Xth Workshop on Particle Correlations and Femtoscopy (WPCF 2014), to be held in Gyöngyös, Hungary, August 25-29, 2014, starting just in four weeks from now.

Gyöngyös in Hungarian means the place with pearls, perhaps referring to the beautiful location of the city, where the Great Hungarian Plane meets the Mátra hills. Gyöngyös is also called the city of grapes and wines, and the Gate of the Mátra mountains. It is also a city of tradition and Hungarian folklore. Keeping these in mind we collected some of the „pearls of Gyöngyös”, places that can be of certain sightseeing interest for the WPCF 2014 participants. For details, please see

- Pearls of Gyöngyös at <https://indico.cern.ch/event/300974/page/7>

Basic information about the WPCF2014, such as the scientific topics and practical details are collected at the webpage of the Workshop:

- Overview of WPCF 2014 at <http://indico.cern.ch/e/wpcf2014>

At the time of finalizing the 2nd circular, 80 people registered already to WPCF 2014, many of you are excellent, senior speakers not only from the field of femtoscopy, but also from the broader fields of diffraction as well as outreach. It is also a pleasure to see the registration of more than 30 students who will have the chance to present their first results at this upcoming meeting. More details on the registration is available at

- WPCF 2014 Registration at <https://indico.cern.ch/event/300974/registration/>

In particular, you can update your arrival and departure information and read also some comments sent to you by checking out the „Modify your registration” link on the above web-page. The deadline for registration is extended until July 31, and the scientific programme of WPCF 2014 will be compiled shortly after that, by the end of the first week of August.

We have already sent out confirmations regarding your talks and registration details. Soon we will send out individual housing confirmations. A good news is that you will be able to pay the hotel and registration fees directly to the WPCF 2014 Secretariat. Credit (debit) card payment will be possible on site, for an extra charge of 10 EUR. You can also pay by cash, but then the exact exchange rates from EUR to Hungarian Forints will be determined at by the daily currency rates of the Hungarian National Bank. At present, the exchange rate is 308,58 HUF/EUR . More detailed, practical information about travel, lodging and payment can be found on

- WPCF 2014 Practical info page at <http://indico.cern.ch/event/300974/page/0>

If you plan to arrive from abroad by air, the best approach is to arrive to the Budapest Franz Liszt Airport, international flights land on Terminal 2A or 2B. The Károly Róbert College offers direct minivan transportation from these terminals to your hotels in Gyöngyös, the cost is foreseen to be 3000 HUF or about 10 EUR/person/trip in minivans, shared by about 5-9

participants. The city of Gyöngyös is on the M3 highway connecting Budapest with Miskolc, Nyíregyháza and Debrecen, and it can be reached on land by bus, car and train.

To allow us to help you with your transportation from the airport to the conference hotels and site, please indicate your flight number, arrival and departure schedules at <http://1drv.ms/1xt6BRx>. Note that the name of the city Gyöngyös is nearly impossible to pronounce correctly for a non-native Hungarian speaker. We recommend to write it down or to print it out and if you need to show it to your local guide, bus or taxi driver or when you buy your train ticket.

If you need a pro-forma invoice to be able to transfer your registration fee, or a formal letter of invitation to WPCF to apply for a visa to enter Hungary or the Schengen zone of the European Union. In such cases, please also contact Máté Csanád, WPCF 2014 secretary at csanad@elte.hu , or Tamás Novák, WPCF 2014 co-chair at tnovak@karolyrobert.hu with such a request.

Finally please check from time to time the news regarding our progress with

- WPCF 2014 News at <https://indico.cern.ch/event/300974/page/6>

This news menu will be updated regularly from now on and you will find interesting and important last minute information available here even before the our last communication, the Welcome Circular, that will be distributed about one week before the start of WPCF 2014.

Looking forward to an inspiring and useful meeting, and to seeing you in Hungary soon
Best regards, sincerely yours

Tamás Csörgő, chair, Máté Csanád, secretary and Tamás Novák, co-chair
for the WPCF 2014 Local Organizing Committee
<http://indico.cern.ch/event/300974/page/1>