



25th International Workshop on Deep-Inelastic Scattering and Related Topics

3-7 April 2017, Birmingham, UK

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The 25th International Workshop on Deep-Inelastic Scattering and Related Topics will be held at Birmingham University, UK on 3-7 April, 2017.

Full details can be found directly at <http://indico.cern.ch/e/DIS17> or via <http://www.dis17.org>

You are receiving this bulletin because you have registered to attend, submitted an abstract, been assigned as a speaker, attended last year's meeting or have some other connection to the meeting.

Registration and Payment

If you have not already done so, please register for the meeting and pay the registration fee as soon as possible. Both can be done via the conference [indico page](#). In addition to full access to the scientific programme, registration includes lunches on each day of the meeting and the social events described below.

Since speakers are still being assigned to some talks, **the deadline for obtaining the early registration fee has been extended to 10 March.**

Registration will close on 22nd March.

Venue

The meeting will be held at the centre of the attractive red-brick Edgbaston campus of the University of Birmingham. A map is available [here](#).

Plenary sessions will be held in the Elgar lecture theatre of the new Bramall music building. Parallel sessions will be in lecture theatres in the Physics West, Poynting and Nuffield buildings. The venue is most easily accessed via the University railway station (5-10 minutes walk across campus), which has regular fast connections to Birmingham city centre.

Travel, Accommodation and Visas

For those travelling from outside the UK, the meeting is most easily reached from Birmingham International Airport (~10km), which has regular flights to many destinations in Europe and beyond. Various other airports, including London Heathrow and London Gatwick, are within 3 hours by public transport. Please see the meeting web pages for further information.

It is recommended to stay in Birmingham city centre, which is a 10 minute train ride from the University (starting from Birmingham New Street station). A range of hotels have been pre-booked for the meeting and can be obtained via the indico registration page. Further options can be found through standard internet search tools.

If you require a visa to enter the UK, please register early and include your request in the registration form.

Scientific Programme

The meeting covers an eclectic mixture of material related to Quantum Chromodynamics and Deep Inelastic Scattering as well as a general survey of the hottest current topics in high energy physics. Much of the program is devoted to the most recent results from large experiments at BNL, CERN, DESY, FNAL, JLab, and KEK. The workshop consists of plenary sessions on Monday and Friday and parallel sessions on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning. The parallel sessions are organised into 7 working groups:

- WG1) Structure Functions and Parton Densities
- WG2) Low x and Diffractive Physics
- WG3) Higgs and BSM Physics in Hadron Collisions
- WG4) Hadronic and Electroweak Observables
- WG5) Physics with Heavy Flavours (charm, beauty and top)
- WG6) Spin and 3D Structure
- WG7) Future of DIS

Please see the [agenda](#) on the indico web pages for more detailed information.

Social Programme

There will be a **Welcome reception with food** on the evening of Monday 3 April at Birmingham Botanical Gardens, hosted jointly by Birmingham City Council and Birmingham University's School of Physics & Astronomy.

On the early evening of Tuesday 4th April, you are invited to a **concert by the acclaimed Birmingham University brass ensemble** in the Elgar lecture theatre.

The **conference banquet** is scheduled for the evening of Wednesday 5th April. It will take place in the City of Birmingham Council House (seat of local government).

The final list of **excursions** on offer on the afternoon of Thursday 6th April has been settled. This consists of **The Shakespeare Birthplace Trust** in Stratford-upon-Avon, **Warwick Castle**, a **Canal Boat tour of the city** and a **walk in the Malvern Hills**.

Those opting for the Malvern Hills walk are encouraged to bring sturdy shoes and waterproof clothing. For those choosing Stratford-upon-Avon, there are a small number of tickets remaining for the Royal Shakespeare Company performance of Antony and Cleopatra on Thursday evening. We don't expect to be able to obtain more tickets once they run out.

We will not be able to run the originally advertised excursions to the Black Country Living Museum or to the Ironbridge Gorge Museum due to lack of interest. The small number of delegates who have signed up for these excursions will be contacted soon about alternative options.

Sponsors

The meeting has benefited substantially from the generous sponsorship of BNL, CERN, DESY, EPJC, IPPP Durham, STFC, the University of Birmingham and a further US laboratory that wishes to remain anonymous. This has allowed us to offer reduced fees to PhD students and in other cases of need.

Birmingham Weather

Birmingham has a maritime, temperate climate. The weather is rarely extreme, but is unpredictable and it is possible to see elements of all four seasons in one day. In Spring, there can be some great sunny days mixed with cooler and wet weather. In April, the daytime temperatures vary between approximately 9°C and 16°C.

Birmingham Area Tourism

Birmingham is the second largest city in the UK. It has around 1 million inhabitants and lies at the centre of a metropolitan area of 4 million inhabitants. It first grew large during the industrial revolution when it became the centre of the UK's canal network. It is cosmopolitan and ethnically diverse, with a vibrant cultural life and a regenerated post-industrial city centre. In addition to its interest in its own right, it is an excellent base from which to visit many other parts of England and Wales.

There is lots on information about the city on the web. See for example:

<https://www.lonelyplanet.com/england/the-midlands/birmingham>

<https://www.euansguide.com/reviews/england/birmingham-city-of/birmingham>

<http://visitbirmingham.com>

More suggestions for tourism and local attractions will be included in delegate packs.

Dangers and Annoyances

Most Birmingham people are friendly and approachable, but as with any large metropolitan city, crime is not unknown. Please take good care of your belongings, particularly in busy places in the city centre.

Proceedings

The proceedings of DIS17 will be published on-line by Proceedings of Science, the open-access on-line journal organised by SISSA. All speakers will be invited to contribute. The instructions and necessary templates will appear on the workshop indico web page soon.

Contact Information

Please address questions by email to dis17@hep.ph.bham.ac.uk.

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