Conference Information  
(5. January 2019)

Dear Conference Participants,

in about one week from now the conference will get started, so it is time to inform you about some of the conference arrangement details.

**Conference Program and Book of Abstracts:**

The conference program together with the book of abstracts has now been uploaded to the conference website [https://indico.cern.ch/e/symmetry2019](https://indico.cern.ch/e/symmetry2019). Every speaker has been assigned a 30-minute time slot: 25 minutes for presentation, and 5 minutes for discussions. Should the time slot assigned to you conflict with your travel plans or should there be any discrepancies, please inform us immediately.

**Conference Venue and Room:**

The conference room is located on the ground floor of “Academic Building 2” (also called “C2 Building”), Room C2-124.

Academic Building 2 is easily reached from the hotel by foot, walking time is about 10 minutes. Before 10:00 in the morning and after 16:00 in the afternoon the weather is quite nice, so you may enjoy the short walk. Around noon time the sun may be too intense for some of you; many locals use an umbrella to protect from the sun.

For those who choose not to walk, there will be a bus departing from the hotel to Academic Building 2 in the morning, half an hour before activities start, and returning to the hotel in the evening, after conclusion of the day’s activities.

The conference room is equipped with a notebook (Windows 10 with pdf reader), LCD projector (XVGA format 1024x768, VGA and HDMI connectors) and a video presenter. There is also a whiteboard available, but since it has a glossy surface its use is not recommended.
Registration:

On-site registration will take place on Sunday, 13 January, 16:00 – 20:00 at the conference hotel, and on Monday, 14 January, 8:00 – 9:00 in front of the conference room.

At registration you will be given a receipt of your conference fee (in Thai Baht). You will also be asked to pay for the airport pickup service where applicable.

Airport Pick-up:

There will be two bus departures from Suvarnabhumi airport to the conference hotel. Please note that the departure times have changed from those listed in the second conference announcement:

Departure 1: 12:00 (noon), for flights scheduled to arrive no later than 11:20.

Departure 2: 15:30, for flights scheduled to arrive no later than 14:45.

Of course, the buses will wait should some flights arrive late or passport control queues cause delays. We will collect the airport transfer charge of THB 800 upon registration at the conference site.

How to find us at the airport:

Having passed immigration (1), picked up your luggage (2) and meandered through the customs control zone, (3), you will enter the restricted zone in the arrival hall. Please turn right upon entering this restricted zone. Continue walking until you leave the restricted zone. You will then enter the meeting point area (Look for the sign “Meeting Point”). The meeting point is located inside the terminal building, close to exit door number 3. A student holding this sign on yellow paper will meet you there:
The meeting point area can get crowded at times, so you may need to look around a bit.

Should you fail to meet our representatives at the airport or should there be any emergency, you may contact them as follows:

By Telephone:  
081-548-5700  (Dr. Jessada)  
083-464-1735  (Dr. Akanat)

By WhatsApp:  
https://chat.whatsapp.com/D3KtttJ2t7XJ2rCqNC9ohv

Chat Group:  Symmetry 2019 @ SUT

(Download this QR code to join the “Symmetry 2019 @ SUT” WhatsApp group)

There is free WIFI service available at the airport, so you may be able to use WhatsApp even without a local SIM card.

In case your travel plans change, please inform us immediately, so that our representatives won’t wait at the airport in vain.

**Airport Drop-off:**

In accordance with demand, we plan to provide an airport drop-off service after the conclusion of the conference on Friday, January 18 only. The bus will depart the conference site after lunch, at about 13:30. Further details will be announced during the conference.

For those of you who will depart at other times, please contact us early during the conference so that we can assist you with your return transportation arrangements.
Hotel Accommodation:

We have reserved your hotel room as specified in your online registration. Please inform the hotel of your departure day when you check-in. The room charge has been reduced to THB800.- per room and night (single or double occupancy). Please pay directly to the hotel upon checkout; they will also issue your receipt.

Excursion:

A one-day excursion is scheduled for Wednesday, January 16. We plan to visit a silk store/factory, the partially restored Angkor-style temple of Pimai (entry-fee required), and the Baan Rai elephant temple – a modern temple complex. In the evening you will have the opportunity to visit a modern shopping mall. We’ll inform you of the excursion details on the first conference day.

As a contrasting activity, on the following evening of Thursday, January 17 you will have the opportunity to visit Korat’s largest and most popular night market which features plenty of food stalls and a huge flea market.

The university is organizing an agriculture exhibition during the whole conference week. To get there, just turn left when leaving the hotel.

Food:

We will host a welcoming barbeque on Sunday, January 14 in the hotel’s courtyard, beginning 18:00. All registered participants are welcome.

Breakfast: Breakfast at the hotel restaurant is included in the hotel rate.

Lunches: Lunches will be served at the meeting venue in Academic Building 2. On the excursion day, we will enjoy typical food at a local outdoor restaurant just as a Thai tourist would do.

Dinners: Monday night’s dinner will be at the conference venue in Academic Building 2. Tuesday night will see the conference banquet off-site. As many participants may not be on campus on Wednesday or Thursday evenings (see Excursion above), there will be no common dinner these two days.

The hotel restaurant closes at 20:00 at night, and there is no room service. However, there is a 7-11 store located across from the hotel and open 24 hours where you may purchase simple food, drinks and amenities.

There are also a great number of food shops, food stalls and restaurants catering to mainly students outside of the university’s main gate from about 18:00 until midnight. It takes a 15 minute walk from the hotel to the front gate.
How to contact us:

As always, you may contact us by e-mail at symmetry.2019@gmail.com. Our address is:

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