



Light Scalars: Origin, Cosmology, Astrophysics, and Experimental Probes

Centro de Ciencias de Benasque Pedro Pascual, Benasque (Spain)

April 7-13, 2019

<http://benasque.org/2019lightscalars/>

First bulletin

The workshop is approaching and we are looking forward to exciting discussions with you in Benasque! Last week, you must have received an official acceptance letter from the Benasque secretaries. Some actions were needed on your side to confirm your participation and to book your accommodation as well as the bus transportation from Barcelona. Please make sure that you have followed the instructions from the Benasque secretariat. If your travel plans have changed or you cannot any longer participate in the workshop any longer, please let the Benasque secretariat (info@benasque.org) know.

Here is some information about the plan for the workshop:

- We have gathered a list of topics that we would like to have covered during the workshop. Each topic will be introduced by one or few overview talks. There will be three such talks each morning, and three additional contributed talks in the afternoon. The schedule will be kept deliberately light to allow for plenty of discussion time. The program is being finalized and will be announced soon.
- The center offers plenty of office rooms and open space for informal discussions and collaborative work, which is the primary goal of this workshop.

On the logistic side:

- A bus ride will be organized on Sunday April 7 afternoon from Barcelona to Benasque. You need to book a seat if you plan to board this bus. There will be a return bus from Benasque to Barcelona on Saturday April 13 morning. You need to book a seat too. Please check carefully the departure/arrival times of the bus from/to Barcelona airport in the workshop [webpage](#), and arrange your travel accordingly leaving some margin. In case you cannot catch the conference bus, you can find information on public transportation options at this [link](#).
- A reception will be organized on Monday April 8 and a farewell drink on Friday April 12.
- There is no lunch/dinner service at the science center but there are many restaurants nearby offering good food (and wine) for a reasonable price.
- The current plan is that Wednesday morning will be free to give you an opportunity to relax or go on a hike. We may change this to a different day depending on the weather forecast for that week.

See you soon in the Spanish Pyrenees,

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