

Lepton Photon 2021



30TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON LEPTON PHOTON INTERACTIONS AT HIGH ENERGIES — 9-14 AUGUST 2021

STATUS UPDATE — C11 MEETING — ICHEP 2020 — 1 AUGUST 2020

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Covid-19 impact

- Currently planning (mainly) in-person conference
 - This plan is described here
 - Alternative being considered and evolution of the situation will be monitored closely
- Impact so far on planning and preparations
 - Main conference venue remains confirmed
 - Significant delay on other venue bookings (social programme)
 - Expect quotes next week
 - Delays on general preparatory work



Overview

- Conference venue
 - The University of Manchester
- Dates
 - 9-14 August 2021
 - Currently no known clash with other large conference in the field (XQCD 2021 overlapping, but limited topical overlap)
- Comms
 - www.leptonphoton2021.org (indico being set up)
 - http://inspirehep.net/record/1734328
 - Twitter: @LP2021Mcr



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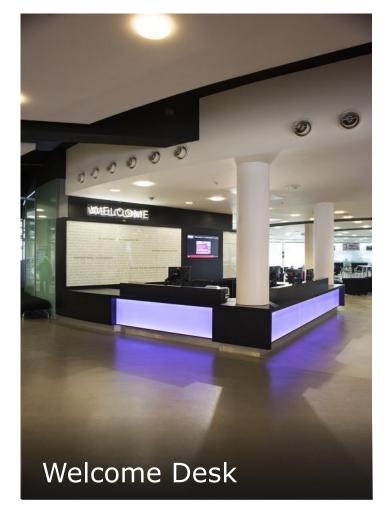
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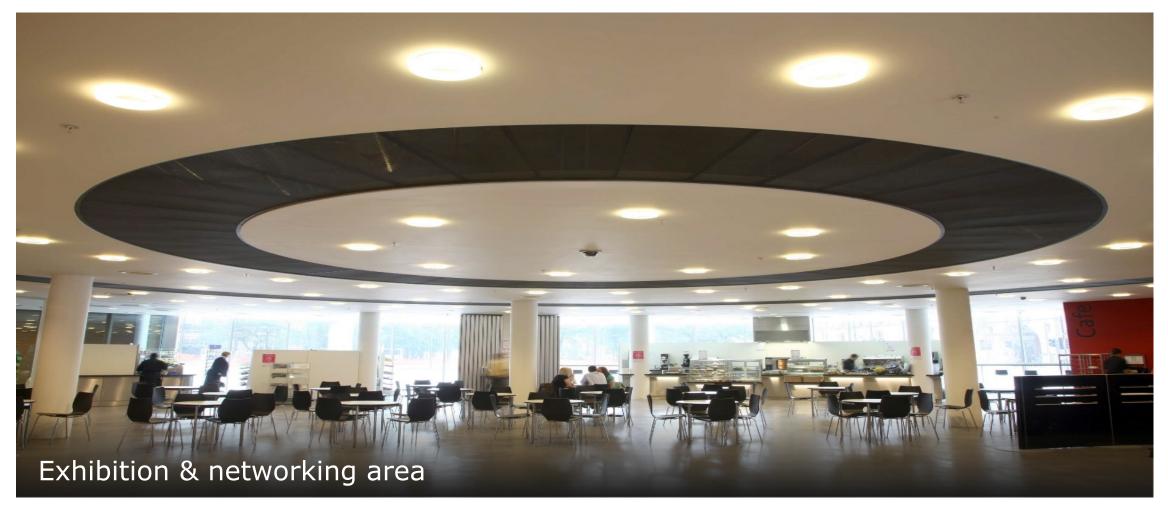
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Conference venue















Accessibility and Inclusion



- Venue fully accessible including stage area
- Planning to provide live captioning at least for plenaries
- All gender facilities will be available in main venue
- Live captioning, British Sign Language, audio description for visually impaired considered for public lecture
- Childcare will be available in-house
 - Experience with professional child carers at this venue
 - Cost to be covered at least partly by fee
 - Will also have designated breastfeeding space (but allowed anywhere)



Scientific programme



- Broadly same range of topics as LP2019
- Plenary programme will be largely unchanged though some variation of emphasis possible
 - Will send proposal to IAC to start plenary speaker identification
- Parallel programme likely increased to five parallel tracks
 - Currently consulting with conference committees of major collaborations to gauge interest
 - Feedback positive, particularly if aimed at EC researchers
- Poster sessions with posters on display throughout conference in coffee break area
- Widening participation
 - Considering streaming of plenary talks with possibility of participation in Q&A
 - Considering partial online conference, e.g. virtual poster session on the Friday before the conference



Week layout

- Considering change in traditional layout
 - Parallel session at same time as part of ICFA meeting
 - Would free up Saturday
- Reasons for this change
 - Cost savings ~£50 off fee
 - Non-working weekend (except travel)
 - Shorter programme break for most delegates

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am	Plenary	Parallel	ICFA	Plenary	Plenary	Plenary
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Finances

- Secured significant support from national funding council (STFC)
- Applied for IUPAP support
- Other support discussions ongoing
- Will start looking for exhibitors/event sponsors in autumn
- Significant number of travel grants will be available
 - Details depend on overall level of support
- Conference fee
 - Need to await clarity on level of support and social programme quotes
 - Standard fee should be £500-600 (incl. breaks, lunches, reception, and conference dinner)
 - Includes significant contingent for reduced fees



Social programme

- Reception and Conference dinner
 - Quotes for reception and dinner expected next week
 - Should have choice of venues who are experienced with catering for these numbers
- Excursions
 - Will offer organised excursions
 - Many attractive destinations in Greater Manchester and surrounding area (<1h bus ride)



Public engagement

- Public lecture
 - Speaker confirmed: Prof. Tim O'Brien
 - Locally very well-known astronomer and very experienced speaker
 - Scientific lead for Bluedot festival
 - Quotes for venues expected next week
- Other activities in planning by LOC members
 - Considering:
 - Museum exhibition around discovery of strangeness 75 prior to conference
 - Physics bootcamp for children of different age groups
 - Particle physics themed activities at Bluedot festival (3 weeks ahead of conference)



Other topics

- Support
 - Manchester Convention Bureau supporting event with handling venue interaction
- Accommodation
 - Starting to negotiate accommodation options
 - Main hotel: Hyatt Regency on campus
 - Budget accommodation: student halls
 - Alternatives: >10,000 beds in the city centre (typically £50-175)
- Sustainability
 - Considering various options to minimise environmental impact

