

Dear Nuclear Physics colleague,

The Fourth International Conference on **Proton-emitting Nuclei and related topics**, PROCON2011, will be held in Bordeaux, France on June 6-10, 2011. The conference venue is the "Chambre de Commerce" on the "Place de la Bourse", one of the most beautiful squares in the very heart of the old part of Bordeaux, about 50m from the Garonne river.

The PROCON conferences started in Oak Ridge (1999) and the following meetings were organized in Legnaro (2003) and Lisbon (2007). The aim of the conference is to review recent results on proton-rich nuclei, to provide an opportunity for exchange of new ideas between experimentalists and theoreticians, and to project the field into the near future, in particular in view of the new experimental facilities coming online soon.

The main topics which will be addressed are:

- Limits of nuclear binding for proton-rich nuclei
- Results from one- and two-proton emission
- Alpha, beta and gamma decay of nuclei close to the proton drip line
- Proton drip line nuclei and nuclear astrophysics
- Fundamental-interaction studies with proton-rich nuclei
- Theoretical studies of nuclear structure, nuclear reactions and astrophysics
- New experimental techniques for future studies

PROCON2011 will be held in the week following the ARIS conference, the joint meeting of the former ENAM and RNB conferences, which is organized in Leuven, Belgium, from May 30 to June 3, 2011.

The conference fee will be of the order of 350 Euros for early registration (before April 15, 2011) and of the order of 400 Euros later. It includes

- Coffee breaks
- Welcome reception on Sunday, June 5, 2011
- Cocktail during the poster session on Tuesday, June 7, 2011
- One copy of the proceedings
- Conference bag
- Booklet of abstracts

A conference dinner will be organized on Thursday, June 9 at the Chateau La Louvière in the wine region of Pessac-Léognan close to Bordeaux. Transportation will be provided to and from the conference site. The banquet is not included in the registration fee. Conference delegates and their companions should register for the conference banquet at a prize of about 40 Euros.

Two different tours are proposed for the free Wednesday afternoon. One will be organised to Arcachon, a lovely sea resort on the Atlantic coast. It includes in particular a boat ride on the "Bassin d'Arcachon". The second tour is to Saint Emilion, a picturesque wine town with ancient house and other buildings. It includes a wine tasting in a Château of Saint Emilion. More details will be given in the second circular. These tours are open to companions as well. Delegates and companions have to sign up via the registration form (about 25€).

We have blocked a number of hotel rooms close to the conference site. You can find details about the hotels and a map with their location on the conference web site (www.cenbg.in2p3.fr/PROCON2011). The week after the PROCON conference is the VINEXPO, a huge "wine market" in Bordeaux, which attracts thousands of exponents and visitors. Many of the exponents arrive already the week before the VINEXPO.

We therefore strongly recommend booking your hotel as early as possible.

PRE-REGISTRATION

In order to receive the second circular or to submit an abstract, please go to the web page (<http://www.cenbg.in2p3.fr/PROCON2011/>).

REGISTRATION

Final registration will open beginning of March and will require payment of the conference fee and, in case of participation, of the banquet and the excursion.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Abstract submission dead line: March 1, 2011
- Notification of talks and posters: April 1, 2011
- Early registration: Before April 15, 2011
- Hotel reservation: as soon as possible

NEXT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 2nd circular: April 15, 2011
- 3rd circular: May 16, 2011

Looking forward to welcoming you to Bordeaux

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