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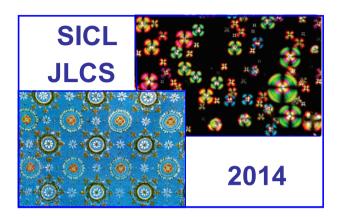








7th Italian-Japanese Workshop on Liquid Crystals



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Introduction

We are pleased to announce the 7th Italian-Japanese Workshop on Liquid Crystals which will be held in Ravenna, Italy, from July 7 to 9, 2014. The meeting will be organised jointly by the Italian Liquid Crystal Society (SICL) and the Japanese Liquid Crystal Society (JLCS) in collaboration with the Istituzione Biblioteca Classense.

The aim of the Workshop, event which continues a series of successful meetings, is to bring together members of the Liquid Crystal communities of Italy and Japan for a presentation and discussion of the most recent research results in the field. It is hoped that the Workshop will further enhance exchange and scientific cooperation between Italy and Japan in the more innovative areas of Liquid Crystal science and technology.

The format of the workshop will be based on a number of keynote talks of leading Italian and Japanese scientists. In addition there will be the opportunity for all participants to present their

Scientific Topics

- Molecular design, synthesis, new materials and phases
- Structures, ordering, and defects
- Simulations and dynamic properties
- Photonic and optoelectronic applications
- Surfaces and confined systems
- Display and other applications
- Colloids, nanostructured systems and self-assembly
- Polymeric and elastomeric liquid crystals
- Biological and lyotropic systems

Venue

The Workshop will be held at Biblioteca Classense in Ravenna, an ancient city which was the last capital of the western Roman Empire. It is famous for the Byzantine mosaics and its monuments which were declared by UNESCO "Heritage of Humanity". (http://www.turismo.ra.it)

Arrival and Accommodation

The closest airport is the Guglielmo Marconi one in Bologna. Bologna can be reached from Bologna airport by train.

The accommodation will be in selected hotels in Ravenna. Hotel information will be available on the web site: **www.sicl.it/meetings2014/.**Participants should arrive on Sunday July 6.

The scientific sessions will start on Monday July 7 morning and will end on Wednesday July 9 morning with a joint session of the National meeting of the Italian Liquid Crystal Society which continues until July 10.

Registration

The registration fee for the Workshop is 350 Euro. It includes social dinner, lunches, coffee breaks, excursion, conference proceedings and related materials.

Abstract submission

Abstract should be submitted in electronic form (one A4 page, ""Times New Roman" fonts, size 12), and sent by e-mail to P. Pasini (pasini@bo.infn.it) and to A. d' Alessandro (antonio.dalessandro@uniroma1.it)

Deadline for registration and abstract submission is April 30th 2014

Proceedings

The proceedings will be published in a special issue of Molecular Crystals Liquid Crystals.

Excursion

A visit of the Byzantine mosaics of Ravenna will be organized.

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