

35th National Congress of the Italian Society for the History of Physics and Astronomy

Arezzo, September 16-19, 2015

First Announcement

The 35th annual Congress of the Italian Society for the History of Physics and Astronomy (SISFA, Società Italiana degli Storici della Fisica e dell'Astronomia) will take place in Arezzo on September 16-19, 2015. The main venue will be at the Museo dei Mezzi di Comunicazione - Via Ricasoli 22, Arezzo.

General Information and scientific programme

Organizer: SISFA (Società Italiana degli Storici della Fisica e dell'Astronomia).

Local partners and endorsers: Museo dei Mezzi di Comunicazione - Arezzo; Accademia Petrarca di Lettere Arti e Scienze - Arezzo; Associazione Culturale "Il Mondo in Casa"; Centro UNESCO di Arezzo.

The Congress: Continuing the series of SISFA annual meetings, the Congress aims at promoting the study of the history of physics and astronomy in Italy. At the same time, it provides an opportunity to strengthen old and establish new links among the members of SISFA, the members of other scholarly societies and researchers working in the same and in related fields. Historians of physics and astronomy are therefore invited to participate and the invitation is extended to all interested scholars. The Congress will host both invited talks and oral communications. The official languages will be both Italian and English. More detailed information and updating will appear on the Congress web site <http://www.sisfa.org/convegni/>.

Topical sessions will address the "History of Light" and "Science and World War I" on occasion of the International Year of Light and Light-based Technologies proclaimed by UN for 2015 and the Centenary of Italy's intervention in the world conflict.

In Arezzo the Congress will be hosted in the Museo dei Mezzi di Comunicazione. Various initiatives will give participants the opportunity to get acquainted with the scientific and historical heritage of Arezzo. Details about transportation and accommodation will be provided on the Second Announcement and on the Congress web site.

Topics: Proposals for oral communications should mainly address the history of physics and astronomy, also in connection with the related areas of mathematics, chemistry and the history of science and culture. Studies focusing on the documental sources and the instruments are also relevant, as well as the applications of the history of physics and astronomy in science education and museum setups.

Pre-registration and abstract submission: Pre-registration and payment of the registration fee are mandatory for all participants in the Congress. The amount of fees, reductions and payment system will soon appear on the Congress web site. Abstracts of oral communications should be submitted in both the official languages (Italian and English), within the deadline of **May 31, 2015**. The abstract format will be specified on the same web site. The proposed abstracts will be evaluated and peer-reviewed on behalf of the advisory committee.

SISFA Advisory Committee: Gianni Battimelli (Università di Roma Sapienza), Fabrizio Bonoli (Università di Bologna), Paolo Brenni (CNR - Firenze, FST - Firenze), Fausto Casi (Museo dei Mezzi di Comunicazione, Arezzo), Salvatore Esposito (INFN - Sezione di Napoli), Lucio Fregonese (Università di Pavia), Leonardo Gariboldi (Università degli Studi di Milano), Massimo Mazzoni (SAIt), Pasquale Tucci (Università degli Studi di Milano, fr).

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Travel information and accommodation: To appear on the Congress web site.

We look forward to meeting you in Arezzo.

The organizers