

FIRST CIRCULAR CPOD2014

Dear Colleagues,

We would like to inform you that the International Conference on

Critical Point and Onset of Deconfinement (CPOD 2014)

will be held at the Center for Interdisciplinary Research of Bielefeld University, Germany from

Monday, November 17 to Friday, November 21, 2014.

The purpose of the conference series is to discuss theoretical and experimental progress in studies of the QCD phase diagram and properties of strongly interacting matter at high temperature and density. Particular emphasis is put on the physics at non-zero baryon number density.

TOPICS:

Main topics to be discussed at the Conference will include:

- Critical Point
- Phase transitions in hot and dense matter
- Deconfinement and chiral symmetry restoration
- Hadronization and chemical freeze-out
- Compact Stars
- Future facilities, detectors and methods

The large majority of talks will be given in plenary sessions. Depending on the number of abstracts submitted we may have a poster session and/or parallel sessions.

CALL for ABSTRACTS and REGISTRATION:

The links to the CPOD [Abstract submission page](#) and [registration page](#) will open on the [CPOD 2014 homepage](#) on June 15, 2014. Abstracts should be submitted by August 22, 2014. Contributors will be informed by September 15, 2014 whether their contribution has been selected for presentation.

The registration deadline is October 5, 2014.

VISA:

Some people will have to apply for visa to enter Germany. If you need an invitation for your visa application please contact the conference secretary, [Mrs. Susi v. Reder](#).

VENUE:

The [Center for Interdisciplinary Research \(ZiF\)](#) is located next to Bielefeld University on the slopes of the Teutoburg Forest.

Bielefeld can be reached [by train from all major German airports](#): Frankfurt (3.5 hours), Düsseldorf (1.5 hours), Hannover (1.5 hour), Berlin (3.5 hours)

Accommodation:

We have reserved blocks of rooms in several hotels in downtown Bielefeld. For details we refer to the [workshop web pages](#).

We also hold a limited number of low-price housing, which will be distributed to students upon request.

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We are looking forward to welcoming you to CPOD 2014.