LOCATION



The Educational Centre "Kloster Banz" was founded in 1069 as a Benedictinean monastery. During the following centuries it was rebuilt and extended by Johann Dientzenhofer and Balthasar Neumann.

By the nineteenth century it had become one of the biggest monasteries in Bavaria. It is located in the northern part of Bavaria on a hill overlooking the small town "Bad Staffelstein", close to Bamberg. It is easy to reach by public transportation.

BY PLANE:

Travel to Frankfurt, Munich or Nuremberg International Airports. Continue to Lichtenfels by train or directly to Banz by rental car.

BY TRAIN:

Travel to Lichtenfels via Nuremberg, Würzburg or Bamberg. Transportation between Lichtenfels Station and Banz Monastery will be provided.

BY CAR:

You can take different Highways (A 70, A 73) via Bamberg to Banz. From the Highway A73 take exit "Bad Staffelstein-Nord" and follow the signs to "Kloster Banz".

See also the site map on the conference web-pages.

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DEADLINES

Scientific contributions: Nov. 1, 2008
Pre-registration: Dec. 1, 2008
Conference abstract: January 30, 2009

INTERNET

Contribution submission, on-line registration, technical program and additional information are available at

www.LHP-bayreuth.de

Please inform your colleagues and coworkers about this conference!

The organizers take efforts to raise financial support from the Volkswagen Foundation, the "Emil-Warburg-Stiftung", the "DFG Sonderforschungsbereich 481" and the "Bayreuther Institut für Makromolekülforschung".



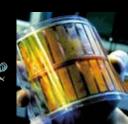




An Interdisciplinary Conference on Novel Concepts of Light-Harvesting Phenomena and Related Topics







Light-Harvesting Processes

March 10 – 14, 2009 Banz Monastery, Germany



INVITATION

The organizing committee cordially invites you to attend the interdisciplinary conference

Light Harvesting Processes March 10 - 14, 2009.

Throughout the industrial world it becomes increasingly clear that mankind urgently needs to find new ways to produce clean and renewable sources of energy that do not produce green house gases. The amount of solar energy hitting the Earth every hour is greater than the total amount of energy that the world's population consumes in a whole year. This fact makes the activities to convert solar energy into electrical power an important issue for future energy production.

The various natural light-harvesting systems in photosynthesis can serve as blueprints for the construction of novel solar cells based on organic matter. Supramolecular structures built by spontaneous self assembly of relatively small subunits have attracted considerable attention during the last years.

Obviously, progress in this field requires a cooperative effort with input from biology, chemistry, physics, and technology. The aim of the conference "Light Harvesting Processes" is to gather scientists from various fields and to provide a platform for interdisciplinary communication and the exchange of concepts.

Site of the conference is the Educational Centre in the historic monastery "Kloster Banz" (close to Bamberg). It is a beautiful historic location overlooking the valley of the river Main.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

ORGANIZING AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Jürgen Köhler (Physics, Bayreuth)

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Mukundan Thelakkat (Macromolecular Chemistry, Bayreuth)

The scientific program will consist of invited lectures, contributed talks and posters.

CONFIRMED INVITED SPEAKERS

Huub de Groot (Leiden, The Netherlands)

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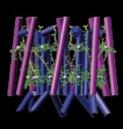
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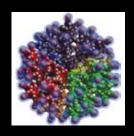
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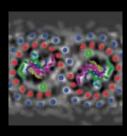
Ulrike Woggon (Dortmund, Germany)

For an update on the program please visit the conference web-pages.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

Online registration will be available on the conference web-pages at

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For additional information please send a note to

LHP@uni-bayreuth.de

ACCOMMODATION

All participants will be accommodated in the main building of the monastery "Kloster Banz" in modern single and double rooms. During the conference, full internet and FAX access is available.

CONFERENCE FEE

The conference fee includes accommodation and 4-day full board (breakfast, lunch, dinner, without beverages), coffee (tea) during breaks and the abstract booklet. A conference excursion to the world heritage town Bamberg or to the famous basilica "Vierzehnheiligen" will be provided. Tickets for the excursion will be available at the registration office.

Payment	before Jan. 15	after Jan. 15
Regular fee		
single bedroom	640.– EUR	670.– EUR
double bedroom	600.– EUR	630.– EUR
Students' fee		
double bedroom	490.– EUR	520.– EUR

all prices per person

For cancellation before Febr. 15, a service charge of 50 EUR will be deducted form the refund. No refunds can be made for cancellations received after Febr. 15, 2009.