

POWDERS & GRAINS

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Program

The final program of the conference is posted on the conference web page (www.pg2017.org). It includes the general schedule of different sessions, invited talks, contributed talks and posters. We will add the list of video abstracts when all videos are collected (before Monday, June 19). All authors are kindly invited to check their contributions and inform us about possible errors. The conference papers have been scheduled to be published online before June 30 by the EPJ Web of Conferences.

Talks and posters

Personal computers can be used for **talks**. But it is recommended to bring your presentation also in pdf format on a USB key in the case of technical problems. Switching computer is part of the time of your talk! Two default computers will be available, so it is recommended to install talks before each session.

The **posters** can be installed during the coffee breaks of Monday, July 3. The posters will be numbered according to their place in the poster space. Although all posters will be on view during the whole week, the authors of all posters are invited to be available for the presentation of their posters during the two sessions on Monday and Tuesday evening. The voting material and instructions for the best poster awards will provided at reception.

Videos

We are still collecting videos and video abstracts. We appreciate receiving the video abstracts before Monday June 19 so that they can be included in the program. The instructions are given on the conference webpage (http://pg2017.org/en/author-area) but, as mentioned in our last mail, we basically need the videos (all formats) together with a one-page abstract giving the authors and a description of the content of the videos. All conference participants (including those who present a talk or a poster) can contribute, and the content can be based on either experiments or simulations.

Registration fees

As usual, it is required that at least one co-author of each contribution be registered. The fees should be payed before the beginning of the conference. We understand that there can be delays because of international transfer of funds. We do not exclude any talk, poster presentation or paper from the program, but we recommend the participants whose registration is not yet finalized to bring a proof that the payment is under way.

Field trip (Saturday, July 8th)

Here is the program of field trip on Saturday, July 8th:

BUS 1	BUS 2	
07:45	08:00	Departure from Montpellier (Corum)
09:00	09:15	Arrival at the Cirque de Moureze
09:00-10:15	09:15-10:30	Visit of the Cirque de Moureze
10:45	11:00	Arrival at the Salagou Lake Dam
10:45-11:45	11:00-12:00	Visit of volcanic lava flows
12:05	12:20	Arrival in the La Lergue strath terraces
12:05-12:35	12:20-12:50	Visit of strath alluvial terraces
12:35-14:25	12:50-14:25	Lunch at river bank (1h30")
14:25	14:45	Arrival in Pégairolles de l'Escalette
14:45-15:30	14:45-15:30	Landslide géomorphology
16:15	16:15	Arrival in the Clamouse cave
16:15-17:30	16:15-17:30	Visit of the cave
18:30	18:30	Arrival in Montpellier, Corum
19:00		Arrival in Montpellier airport

Other conferences/announcements

Other conferences can be found on:

https://www2.msm.ctw.utwente.nl/msm_www/conferences/conferences.html

Call for organizing the next Powders&Grains conference (2021)

Proposals for the organization of the next PG conference will be considered by the AEMMG committee at their meeting in Montpellier. The call for proposals (by the AEMMG president Stefan Luding — s.luding@utwente.nl) is still open:

Call for PG2021: To all PG2017 participants, subscribers to the AEMMG-Mail-List, AEMMG members, and everyone in the field of Powders & Grains.

The scientific committee AEMMG of the Powders and Grains conference series asks for proposals: Who would be willing to organize the next Powders&Grains in four years, in 2021. (No special format required, just make sure you address and commit yourself to all the points - which should be possible within 2-3 pages, but also feel free to add material.)

Powders and Grains will circulate from Australasia (Japan, 2001) to Europe (Stuttgart, 2005), to the Americas (Golden, Colorado, 2009), to Australasia (Sydney, Australia, 2013), back to Europe (now! Montpellier, France, 2017), and then to the Americas (next! 2021).

The present PG2017 conference has about 400 papers (4page, double refereed) in the proceedings and we hope to see at least 400+ participants, like on previous PG conferences. For all of the participants, hotel or other accommodation rooms need to be available and the large number of posters (about 300) needs to be placed (ideally ALL posters throughout the conference).

The proposal should involve a short description of

- **A)** the organizing groups/persons/institutions,
- B) the prospective conference site, facilities, hotels
- C) the organizers view on the PG-conference series and proposals for improvement
- **D)** a carefully-planned time schedule
- **E)** a brief financial plan with the information about which funding agencies, institutions, industry, etc. can be and will be contacted to provide support for the various costs.
- **F)** name the to-be-hired professional agency specialized in conference organization and detail the experience you have with them and the costs involved or: explain how you will work without such help and what technical assistance will be available anyway.
- **G)** The Commitment to the tradition of P&G summarized as:
 - 0) cheap participation fee, especially for students
 - 1) proceedings ready at the conference
 - 2) single-track, no parallel sessions, but many posters
 - 3) AEMMG is the scientific committee of the conference, being involved in
 - 3.1) selection of invited speakers,
 - 3.2) refereeing of the papers,
 - 3.3) selection of the oral presentations and
 - 3.4) set-up of the program.

- 4) in case the conference runs positive, the remaining funds should be used to support participants (on request)
- 5) if there is positive balance still, it will be shared 50/50 by AEMMG (to be used for future conference support) and the local organizers.