



26<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018

Brussels

The Laboratory of Polymer and Soft Matter Dynamics of the Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB) is proud to invite you to

# **BDS2018**

## **ORGANIZATION**

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## SCOPE

Broadband dielectric spectroscopy (BDS) is a powerful experimental technique permitting to investigate the molecular dynamics of polar (and nonpolar) materials over a wide frequency range covering up to 16 decades, at different temperatures and pressures. BDS finds an incredibly large number of applications in different fields of science and technology. The technique has, in fact, been successfully employed in studies on molecular dynamics of liquids, liquid crystals, glasses, polymers and other disordered systems; charge transport in ionic glasses and liquids, semiconductors, organic crystals, ceramics, polymers; interfacial phenomena and confinement effects; non-linear electrical effects. BDS is also a very useful tool to monitor chemical reactions and phase transitions, e.g. crystallization, irreversible adsorption, tautomerization, etc.

Considering the multidisciplinary approach and the broad set of applications of the technique, this meeting is open also to researchers outside of the dielectric community whose research could start new synergies at both experimental and theoretical level.

Following the structure of the previous meetings of the International Dielectric Society, BDS2018 will provide a platform to discuss the exciting developments of Broadband dielectric spectroscopy at both academic and industrial level.

The following topics will be addressed in devoted sessions:

- Polymer Dynamics
- Soft Matter Dynamics and Phase Transitions in Amorphous, Partially Ordered and Ordered Systems (Liquid and Plastic Crystals, Ferroelectrics, Ceramics, Pharmaceuticals, etc.)
- Glassy Dynamics and its Scaling under Different Variables (Pressure, Temperature, Electric Fields, etc.)
- Investigation of Confinement Effects
- Non-Linear Electrical Effects
- Terahertz Spectroscopy and Local Dielectric Spectroscopy
- o Industrial applications
- Dielectric Spectroscopy Spatially Resolved at Micro- and Nanoscale
- Water and Hydrogen Bonded Systems, BDS to Life Science
- Charge Transport and Relaxation & Interfacial Phenomena



#### INVITED SPEAKERS

Karolina Adrjanowicz (Poland) Angel Alegría (Spain) Paul Ben Ishai (Israel) Roland Böhmer (Germany) Daniele Cangialosi (Spain) Simone Capaccioli (Italy) Silvina Cerveny (Spain) Shiwang Cheng (USA) Madalena Dionisio (Portugal) Yuri Feldman (Israel) George Floudas (Greece) Koji Fukao (Japan)
Catalin Gainauru (Germany)
Boris Gorshunov (Russia)
Friedrich Kremer (Germany)
Apostolos Kyritsis (Greece)
Jane Lipson (USA)
Kia Ngai (Italy)
Kristine Niss (Denmark)
Aurora Nogales (Spain)
Ryusuke Nozaki (Japan)
Marian Paluch (Poland)

Ivan Popov (Israel)
Ranko Richert (USA)
Mike Roland (USA)
Alejandro Sanz (Denmark)
Joshua Sangoro (USA)
Andreas Schönhals (Germany)
Anatoli Serghei (France)
Alexei Sokolov (USA)
Żaneta Wojnarowska (Poland)
Michael Wübbenhorst (Belgium)
Alessio Zaccone (UK)

## PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE PROGRAM

A series of four tutorial classes, by leading experts of dielectric spectroscopy, will be given on Sunday (26/08) afternoon. The lessons will be followed by a welcome drink. The conference program will start on Monday morning and continue till Friday afternoon. Daily afternoon sessions dedicated to posters are also planned. Social events concert and party to celebrate together the 10th edition of BDS conferences, will take place in the evening of Thursday 30th August.

## **DEBYE PRIZE**

The Peter Debye Prize for Young Investigators for Excellence in Dielectric Research is established to encourage and support young scientists to continue research in Dielectric Spectroscopy and its applications. To be eligible, The nominee should be under the age of 36 years, be inscribed to the conference and attend the meeting in Brussels. The nomination, together with the candidate's Curriculum Vitae, a listing of the candidate's publications and one copy of each of the papers under consideration should be sent by email to prof Michael Wübbenhorst, the Award Committee chairperson.

**DEADLINE 26th May 201** 

For more detailed information: http://bds2018.ulb.be/debye-prize

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Start of Registration and Abstract Submission	27st February 2018
Deadline for Oral presentation Abstract Submission	30th April 2018
Deadline for Poster Abstract Submission	31st July 2018
Decision on abstracts	31st May 2018
Early Bird Registration	15th May 2018
End of Registration	31st July 2018

### **REGISTRATION FEES**

	until 15th May	after 15th May
Full Delegate	€ 470	€ 550
Student	€ 270	€ 350
Accompanying Person	€110	€ 150

The Full Delegate and Student registration fees include: conference proceedings, lunches, coffee breaks, conference dinner and social events. The Accompanying Person registration fee includes the conference dinner and social events. Further information for registration and abstract submission is available at teh conference website

#### **VENUE**

Considered by many as the Capital of Europe, Bruxelles/Brussel is a bilingual (FR & NL) city with a vibrant night life. Worldwide known for its chocolate and beer, Brussels offers a rich and variegated cultural offer with more than 100 museums. International music festivals, traditional parades, and many more events attracts a large number of visitors to Brussels every year, especially in summer. Every two years around mid-August, the Grand' Place « la plus belle place du monde » is covered by a flowered carpet of more than 600000 begonias. The first weekend of September (the one after our conference!) is traditionally dedicated to the Festival of th Beer and the Belgian Comids parade.

BDS2018 will be held in the Salle Dupréel (rue Jeanne 44, 1050) of the Campus du Solbosch, the historical site of the Université libre de Bruxelle (ULB), in the municipality of Ixelles.





