



Second International Accelerator School for Linear Colliders

October 1-10, 2007 • Erice, Sicily, Italy

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location:

The Second International School for Linear Colliders will be held at the Ettore Majorana Foundation and Center for Scientific Culture (EMFCSC) in Sicily. Embracing 118 Schools, covering all branches of Science, the Center is situated in the old pre-medieval city of Erice where three restored monasteries provide an appropriate setting for high intellectual endeavor. These monasteries are now named after great Scientists and strong supporters of the "Ettore Majorana" Center.

The San Francesco Monastery is now the Eugene P. Wigner Institute where there is the "Enrico Fermi" Lecture Hall.

The San Domenico Monastery is now the Patrick M.S. Blackett Institute where there is the "Paul A.M. Dirac" Lecture Hall.

The San Rocco Monastery is now the Isidor I. Rabi Institute where there is the "Richard P. Feynman" Lecture Hall, the Directorate and the main Secretariat of the Center.

Each of the Institutes contains meeting rooms and living quarters where all students will stay during the School.

For further information about the Center, please go to the EMFCSC web site at <http://www.ccsem.infn.it/>.

School Office:

The School Office will be located in the San Rocco Monastery on the lower level at the rear of the courtyard. This office will be manned by Suzanne Weber and Cynthia Sazama of the Fermilab Conference Office during regular business hours. Lecture notes and homework problems will be distributed from this office.

Fee:

The fee of 900 EURO covers costs in Erice including full board and lodging from dinner on Monday, October 1, to breakfast on Wednesday, October 10. Drinks and beverages, after-dinner coffee, telephone calls, personal laundry, etc. are not covered by the fee.

The above fee should be paid by your supporting institution either in EURO or in US-Dollars (the sum equivalent to 900 EURO) to:

FEMCCS**Banco di Sicilia, Agenzia di Erice****Piazza Umberto I****I-91016 Erice, Italy.****Account No. 13358****Bank code: ABI 1020 - CAB 81850****C.F. 93022070812****IBAN: IT08T0102081850 000000013358****BIC: BSICITRRTPN**

AT LEAST THREE WEEKS IN ADVANCE of your arrival to be sure that the payment has been received by the Center prior to the start of the School. When the transfer is issued, please indicate **"ISLC-2007-your name"** (e.g., ISLC-2007-John Smith) as the purpose of the transfer. Make sure that your name appears on the receipt because you will be required to present proof of payment upon your arrival and check in Erice.

The Center will expect payment of 900 EURO in cash when you check in if your transfer has not arrived in time.

Payment in cash is possible in Erice but difficult because a receipt can only be issued by one person, and that person is not in Erice on a regular basis. If cash payment is made at the end of the School, you may have to wait several months before you receive a receipt.

The Center does not accept payment by credit card.

How to reach Erice:

By car there are two possibilities:

(a) Drive along the Autostrada del Sole from Milan-Bologna-Florence-Rome-Naples-Villa San Giovanni (Reggio Calabria). Then take the ferry-boat from Villa San Giovanni to Messina and drive on to Erice (350 km from Messina);

(b) Take the ferry-boat either from Genova or from Naples to Palermo, and then drive on to Erice (about 120 km from Palermo). The places on the ferry-boats from Genova or Naples should be booked in advance.

By train:

From Milan-Rome via Messina you can reach Trapani directly.

By plane:

To Palermo. For arrival and departure at normal times (October 1 and October 10), the School will make local transport arrangements from the airport in Palermo (100 km to Erice). If you arrive or depart on dates other than October 1 and October 10, you will be responsible for making your own transportation arrangements at your own cost.

Arrival and Departure:

You will be asked to provide Cynthia Sazama with your flight arrival and departure dates and times. The Center will pick you up at the Palermo Airport based on that information. A driver will meet you at the airport at the arrival gate pickup location identified by a sign that says **“Ettore Majorana Center for Scientific Culture.”** If you have checked luggage, please inform the driver of your need to pick up your luggage at the baggage claim area.

NOTE: If you are arriving on an international flight, your luggage will go to a special **“International Baggage Claim Area”** next to the normal baggage carousels. Your luggage will be scanned again before you can actually exit the baggage claim area.

If you should miss your driver, please call the Center (00390-923-869133) and ask for the Secretariat. Notify them that you have missed your driver and they will give you instructions on how to get to Erice. Usually this means a taxi ride to the Center. A regular trip from Palermo to Erice should cost about 90 EURO, but some taxis charge as much as 180 EURO for the trip. If you have any problems, go to the Tourist Office in the Arrivals Area for help.

You should register upon arrival on October 1, at the Secretariat of the Center ("San Rocco", Via Guarnotta 26, Erice) no later than 17:00. There you will receive your housing assignment. The working program of the School will start on October 2, 09:00 and will close on October 9, in the evening, with departure on October 10.

Housing Accommodations:

Students will be accommodated in rooms with one or two beds, the majority with shower or bath. All of the rooms in the Center's facilities are simply furnished but quite comfortable. Rooms are allocated in the office at San Rocco upon your arrival in Erice. Please do not try to make reservations directly in hotels in Erice. An on-line form will be available shortly so that students may indicate their arrival and departure dates and times and whether or not they will be bringing companions. You will be notified by e-mail when this on-line form is available. If you plan to bring a companion, you will be responsible for paying the 100 EURO per day for each companion's housing and meals.

Lecturers will be accommodated in local hotels in Erice. All arrangements for these accommodations must be made through Cynthia Sazama at the Fermilab Conference Office. Please do not try to make hotel reservations directly in hotels in Erice. An on-line form will also be available for lecturers in order to make housing reservations. Lecturers' companions are covered in the room fee for the hotel.

Meals:

The 100 EURO per day covers all your meals beginning with a reception on Monday, October 1, and ending with breakfast on Wednesday, October 10, before your scheduled departure. Students living in the Center housing will have breakfast at the San Rocco Institute breakfast room (at the rear of the courtyard, on the right-hand side, under the stairs) where a light breakfast of coffee, breakfast rolls (croissants, brioche, etc.), fruit, and yogurt will be available from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Since the Center does not have a formal cafeteria or kitchen in which to prepare meals, students, lecturers, and companions will have a choice of nine different restaurants (closed on various days) at which to have lunch and dinner each day. Your name badge will act as your means for having meals in any of these restaurants. Beverages (mineral water, wine, coffee, etc.) ARE NOT INCLUDED with your meals and must be paid separately by the individual. Each restaurant will have a special menu for students – sometimes there are choices, sometimes the menu is fixed. Mineral water (large bottle) costs about 2 EURO and house wine (carafe) is about 4 EURO.

Currency Exchange:

We suggest exchanging currency (if necessary) (USD to EURO) at the Palermo Airport or at a connecting airport before arriving in Erice. There are no ATM machines in Erice. You can convert currency at the Post Office and the Banco di Sicilia, but they are not open as regularly as one would hope. It is often difficult to get currency exchanged, and the shop owners do not accept anything but EURO.

Weather:

The temperature in Sicily averages 24° C (76° F) during the day and 14° C (56.8° F) at night. The temperature in Erice is somewhat cooler than in the rest of Sicily since it lies at 750 meters above sea level. Weather is quite unpredictable and the temperature can change suddenly. Therefore, we would advise you to bring a windbreaker or anorak and some warm clothing that can be layered in the event of cool weather.

Mail:

All mail for you while you are in Erice should be sent to:

Your Name
Care of ETTORE MAJORANA
International Center for Scientific Culture
Via Guarnotta 26

I-91016 Erice (Trapani)
ITALY

Computing Facilities:

Several personal computers are available in the Computer Room (right-hand side of courtyard) at the San Rocco Institute for checking your e-mail. Wireless connections are available in most Center public areas, sleeping rooms, and lecture halls. Students are strongly encouraged to bring their own laptops to use during lectures and homework sessions.

Telephones:

There are several pay phones in and around the Center.

However, it is better to have a mobile phone with a contract which allows you to phone in Italy if you must rely on phone calls. American mobile phones do not normally work in Europe unless you have a rather special one and the corresponding contract.

Arrangements of the Course:

Lectures will be given daily in the mornings and afternoons in the San Domenico lecture hall, with the exception of Friday afternoon, October 5, when an excursion is planned. There will be tutorial and homework sessions each evening, even on the 5th, and these will be held in the San Francesco meeting rooms.

There will be a final exam on Tuesday morning, October 9.

There will be an award ceremony at the end of the School on October 9, to honor the top ten students based on exam grade results.

For Lecturers

A computer and an LCD projector are provided in the lecture hall. Please bring your presentation on a memory stick so it may be added to the School web site. You should discuss all the technical questions concerning the presentation of your talk with the person responsible for the presentations in the lecture hall during the break before your talk.

Social Events:

A welcome reception will be held on Monday evening, October 1.

On Friday, October 5, an afternoon excursion is planned to one of the local areas of interest. Transportation to and from this site will be provided by the School.

On Friday evening, a banquet will be held for all students and companions.

More details about these events will be provided at a later date.