



**Dear participants,**

Welcome to tau2018 in Amsterdam!  
Here we have collected some information to ease your way around.

**Program:**

The program is available at <https://indico.cern.ch/event/632562>

We will start on Monday at 13:00 and end on Friday at 13:30. The registration will be open from 11:30 on Monday.

**Talks:**

The conference timetable is now available at conference website. All talks will be displayed from the conference computer. Usage of personal laptops for presentation will not be possible. *Please make sure that your talk is uploaded to the website the day before your talk.* Alternatively, please bring USB stick with your talk in the break before your session and we will upload the talk for you.

**Talk length:**

Please notice that the length of contribution on the agenda page includes time for discussion. If your talk marked as 20 min you are expected to give **15 min talk** and leave 5 min for questions and change of speaker. Respectively 25 min slot is meant for 20 min talk + 5 min questions, 30 min slot is 25 min talk and 5 minutes questions. Please respect allocated time. The agenda is very full and we will be very strict with length of the talk!

**Posters:**

The poster session will take place on Monday evening during the reception. The format is A0. The posters should be hang either before the first session or during the coffee break. They can remain on the boards till the end of the conference. Please clearly state on the poster the name of the presenter, we will use if for selection of best posters. The posters should also be uploaded to the agenda on the conference website on Monday.

**Best poster prize:**

Four most interesting posters will each be rewarded with a 5 min presentation on Friday. Every participant at the conference is invited to vote for the best poster - each of you will get a voting bulletin, that you will need to return to conference organisers *no later than Wed, Sep 26, noon*. IAC committee will also have a separate vote. Lets see who is the winner!

**Proceedings:**

The proceedings deadline is November 1st, 2018 (thus about one month after the conference). The proceedings will be published with [SciPost.org](http://SciPost.org). The publishing first in arXiv.org and then linking it to [SciPost.org](http://SciPost.org) is preferred. There is no strict limitation on number of pages for either a talk or a poster, but we expect the proceedings not to exceed 15 pages per contribution.

**WIFI:**

There will be some wifi access at the venue. High quality is not guaranteed.

**The Venue:**

The conference will take place in the Vondelkerk (Vondelstraat 120, 1054 GS Amsterdam). This is quite central location, very close to musea and next to beautiful Voldelpark.  
<https://goo.gl/maps/ctjFduksKf72>

**Public transport:**

The public transport in Amsterdam is excellent. You can find your itinerary and time at [9292ov.nl/en](http://9292ov.nl/en). The approximate time from the Schiphol airport to the conference venue is about 30-40 minutes. To use public transport you would need an ov-card, please see our website for details or [this link](#).

**Lunch:**

Around the conference venue there are a lot of restaurants, which should satisfy any taste and budget. There is only one restaurant in the Vondelpark, so you better head towards Overtoom street. Unfortunately our program is very full, so your lunch will have to be short (see agenda for exact times), please be sure to be back in time!

**Social program:**

We will have a reception on Monday evening during the poster session; a visit to museum on Wednesday afternoon and dinner on Thursday.

For the **museum** - There will be a guided tour. There will be two groups, one going to Rijksmuseum and another to Van Gogh museum. The guided tours are already full therefore we will not be able to change your preference for museum anymore. Please check museum instructions that you will get during the registration, it will give exact time of the guided tour. Both musea are a short walk (15 min) from the conference venue.

Directions from Vondelkerk to Rijksmuseum : <https://goo.gl/maps/qbSnfcSCBuQ2>  
Directions from Vondelkerk to Van Gogh museum : <https://goo.gl/maps/nsXiWu7AjDD2>

The **dinner** will take place on Thursday, 19:30 at Long Pura restaurant (Rozengracht 46-48, 1016 ND Amsterdam), 25 min walk from conference venue or 20 min by tram.  
Directions from Vondelkerk : <https://goo.gl/maps/c3zjk9dH2Km>

**Weather:**

The weather in Amsterdam changes very often. We might have rain and sun on the same day. You might want to take your umbrella with you. The reasonably accurate up to 5 min predictions can be found at <https://www.buienradar.nl/> , type Amsterdam in search window.

**Fee Payment at the registration desk:**

We will only accept cash at the registration desk. There is an ATM machine close to the venue or you can use the link on the website to pay with credit card.

**Questions and receipts:**

In case of any question or if you need extra details on your receipt, please email [tau2018@nikhef.nl](mailto:tau2018@nikhef.nl) and we will be happy to assist you.

**See you in Amsterdam in less than three weeks!**  
**tau2018 organizers**