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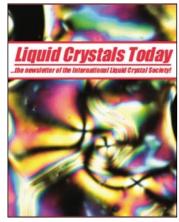
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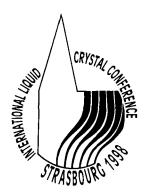
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19-24 July 1998, Strasbourg, France

Scope

The focus of this biennial conference is on physics, chemistry, biology and technological applications of thermotropic, lyotropic and polymeric liquid crystals. The conference is open to all scientists, engineers and students active in the field, and provides an international forum for the exchange of scientific ideas and technological advances in every aspect of liquid crystals.

The conference includes an industrial exhibition for manufacturers of liquid crystal materials, of equipment used in liquid crystal based devices, as well as for publishers of related books and journals.

Conference site

The conference will take place at the 'Palais de la Musique et des Congrès': a modern, purpose-built complex situated within Strasbourg and approximately a ten minute bus journey from the centre of town. Accommodation for delegates will be arranged in reasonably-priced hotels or inexpensive university halls of residence within the city. Transportation between the accommodation and conference hall will be provided.

Strasbourg can easily be reached by air, rail and road. Strasbourg-Entzheim international airport is located 10 miles (15 km) from the conference site and receives regular flights from all major European intercontinental airports.

Leisure activities

The region of Alsace is famed for its historic interest and natural beauty. Strasbourg cathedral lies at the centre of an old city of winding streets and half-timbered houses. Such picturesque scenes can be enjoyed in many small villages throughout Alsace where the internationally renowned wines of the region can be tasted and bought directly from the grower. Those interested in walking will be delighted by the scenery of the nearby Vosges hills and Black Forest.

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