

UNICOS 2014

FIRST CIRCULAR

Dear Participants,

This First Circular covers important information about your participation in the UNICOS meeting.

1) The venue of the meeting will be the (A/C) Seminar hall of the Panjab University Physics Dept. Seminar Hall (Ground Floor , Left corridor end).

2) Participants receiving this mail will be accommodated in the IISER Mohali Visitors Hostel.

Website : <http://www.iisermohali.ac.in/> .

3) A BUS is arranged to transport you from IISER Mohali to Panjab University every morning and back after the evening session. The distance between the two is approximately 16 km.

4) Breakfast and Dinner will be provided at the Visitors Hostel at IISER Mohali.

5) Lunch will be served at the Physics Dept. , Panjab university.

6) Kindly send us a) Your Travel Plan with details about your time, place and mode of arrival and departure.

b) If possible a pdf copy of your tickets by email in advance if you are to receive Travel support.

Please retain all original ticket stubs, boarding passes, bills etc that may help to clear your travel bills expeditiously.

c) Your mobile number to facilitate your pick up and drop off if any.

d) We will try to pickup as many of you as possible from the airport and stations.

So do inform us of the details of at least arrival.

Otherwise a good strategy would be to come to the Physics Dept. PU which is easy to reach by CAB(0172-4141414) Auto(0172-4242424) and even bus. We will arrange to take arrivals on the 12th afternoon to IISER Mohali by car. Those who arrive at PU on the 13th will go by the Bus in the evening. On other days IF you make a request well in advance supported by your mobile number we may be able to

meet you and bring you to Panjab University. Details about finding the Physics Dept. are also given on the conference website

(<http://physics.puchd.ac.in/events/unicos2014/how-to-reach.html>)

and repeated with maps below.

7) If you need a Letter of invitation or a participation certificate please send us a request by email.

8) If you wish to be considered for the limited number of 20 minute contributed talks on the 15th afternoon you should send the abstract of your talk to us : if you have not already done so. There will also be posterboards but you should express your intention to put up a poster by email before May 10 so that we may arrange the boards.

9) The tentative schedule for the meeting is :

13 May : 0900- 1030 : Opening session including Keynote talk by Prof. G. Rajasekaran

1030- 1100 : Tea (Poster board Hall open)

1100-1300 : B. Bajc(Unification), C. Aulakh(Unification) , L. Sriramkumar (BICEP).

1300-1430 : Lunch

1430-1630 : Plenary Talks

1630-1700 : Tea (Poster board Hall open)

1700-1830 : Plenary Talks

1900 : Bus leaves for IISER.

14 May: 1000- 1130 : Plenary Talks

1130- 1200 : Tea

1200- 1330 : Plenary Talks

1330- 1500 : Lunch : (Poster board Hall open)

1500 -1630 : Plenary Talks

1630- 1700 : Tea (Poster board Hall open)

1700- 1830 : Plenary Talks including scheduled Skype Talk by R.N. Mohapatra.

1900 : Bus leaves for IISER.

15 May: 1000- 1130 : Plenary Talks (including scheduled Skype Talk by Kaladi Babu.)

1130- 1200 : Tea (Poster board Hall open)

1200- 1330 : Plenary Talks

1330- 1500 : Lunch (Poster board Hall open)

1500 -1630 : Contributed Talk Session I

1630- 1700 : Tea (Poster board Hall open)

1700- 1830 : Contributed Talk Session II

1900 : Bus leaves for IISER.

Further details and useful information as they occur to us will be sent in forthcoming circulars.

Do not hesitate to ask us about your special concerns or for local information. We will try to help if able.

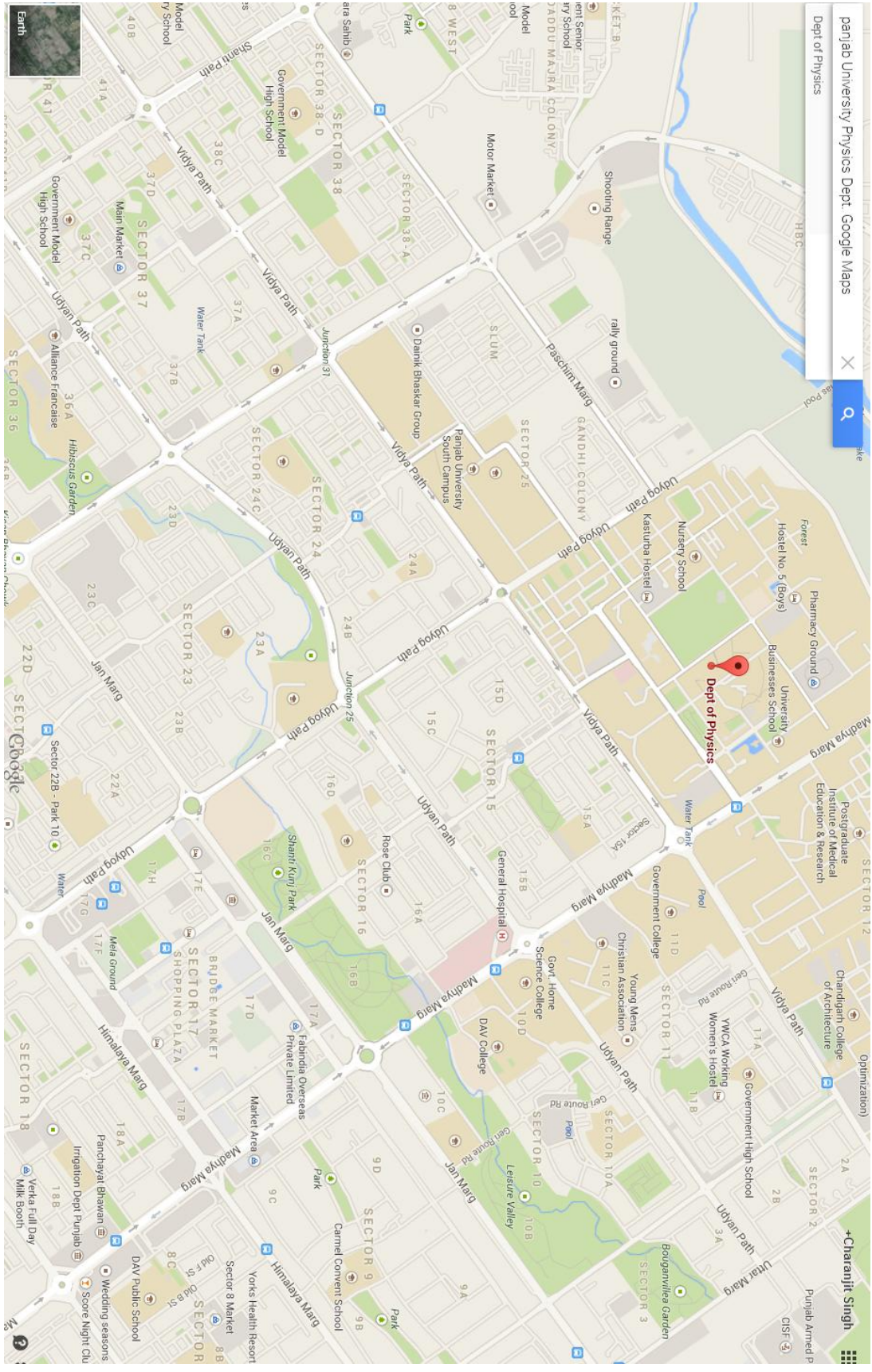
Looking forward to your visit.

best regards

Organizers.

Appendices : Some maps of Chandigarh and Mohali That you may find useful)

1) Map One showing Physics Dept. in PU and adjoining sectors . The central Sector 17 Shopping District and Rose Garden are visible. The interstate Bus terminal for Buses from Delhi is in Sector 17.



HOW TO REACH HERE

About Chandigarh

[Chandigarh map](#)

Chandigarh is located near the foothills of the Shivalik range of the Himalayas in Northwest India. It covers an area of approximately 114 km² and shares its borders with the states of Haryana in the east and Punjab in the north, west and south. The surrounding districts are of Mohali, Patiala and Ropar in Punjab and Panchkula and Ambala in Haryana. The boundary of the state of Himachal Pradesh is not too far from its north.

Public buses run by the Chandigarh Transport Undertaking (CTU) provide local transport as well as inter-state transport services. Rickshaws are common for traveling short distances.

Chandigarh is well connected by road. The two main National Highways connecting Chandigarh with the rest of the country are: NH 22 (Ambala - Kalka - Shimla - Kinnaur) and NH 21 (Chandigarh - Leh). There are regular bus services to most major cities in Haryana, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and some parts of Jammu and Kashmir.

Chandigarh has a railway station. Regular train connections are available to the national capital New Delhi and to some other junctions like Kalka, Ambala, Amritsar, Bhiwani, Lucknow, Patna, Howrah, Mumbai, Chennai, Trivandrum and Sri Ganganagar.

Chandigarh also has a domestic airport. Jet Airways, JetLite, Air India and Kingfisher Airlines operate regular flights from Chandigarh to New Delhi and Mumbai.

About Panjab University

[Panjab University map](#)

Chandigarh has two bus stands: ISBT Sector 17 (3 km from University; all buses to Delhi ply from here) and ISBT Sector 43 (8 km from University; buses to Punjab, Himachal, etc.).

Auto-rickshaws are available from Railway Station and Bus Stand (usually run with meter). There is an Auto-Taxi service also, called "Tuk-Tuk" (pink autos) which can be hired within city limits by calling 0172-4242424. Radio Taxi services are available at Airport, Railway Station and Bus Stand. These can be hired from the stands or by calling (operated by different companies) 0172-4646464, 0172-4141414. Airport to

Panjab University Guest House would cost in one of the above taxis approximately Rs.250; from Station Rs.175 and from ISBT Sector 17 Rs.70.

Chandigarh Weather

Local weather

Chandigarh weather during the period of the programme will be hot.

PU Chandigarh and IISER Mohali on Google maps:

