Introduction

The LAAS International Science Conference is an annual conference that will be held in 2015 in cooperation with the Saint Joseph University and the National Council for Scientific Research.

The LAAS International Science Conference is a forum for researchers to present and discuss recent advances in the various fields of science and education. The scope of the conference includes, but is not limited to:

- Biological, Medical, Pharmaceutical, and health Sciences
- Theoretical and Experimental Chemistry and Physics
- Food security, Environment, and Agriculture
- Mathematics and Computer Science
- Engineering and Architecture
- Social and Human Sciences, Economic Sciences and Management
- Science Education
- Science and Technology of Light (International year of light-UNESCO)

Researchers from Lebanon and other countries are invited to submit abstracts for possible inclusion in the Conference program. In addition to usual research presentations, the 21st LAAS International Science Conference also encourages presentations related to Lebanese and regional issues such as: transfer and evaluation of recent technologies; presentation of success stories on university-industry cooperation and reports on innovative science education experiences. In addition, the program will include for the first time a special symposium on Novelties in Anatomical Sciences Education.
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Extended Abstract submission deadline: March 02, 2015

Notification of acceptance: March 20, 2015

Registration fees

- Local participants: 60 $
- Student participants: 20 $
- International participants: 150 $

*Cover: Lunch, Coffee Break and Technical Organization

**Author Instructions: Guidelines for Authors**

- Extended abstracts may be submitted in Arabic, English, or French
- Extended abstracts should be formatted as follows:
  - The font should be Times New Roman
  - The extended abstract's length should be 2 pages, in single spacing
  - Use A4 page size, with 1 inch for the left, right, top, and bottom margins
  - The extended abstract's title should be centered in bold, 14 pt, Times New Roman
  - Leave a blank line after the title and then give the name(s) of the author(s) centered, in 12-point, bold font. On the next line(s), give the name(s) of the department, and the institution of the author(s) in 12-point, normal font. After that, the e-mail address(es) should also be listed
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  - Oral presentation: the time will be 12 minutes plus 3 minutes for questions, OR
  - Poster presentation: please use paper A-zero size (118 cm high and 84 cm wide).

**To Speakers/Authors of papers**
• Please note that all conference rooms will be equipped with a Windows-based PC with USB drive plus an LCD projector for PowerPoint presentations
• Please make sure that the size of the letters on your .PPT slides (or on transparencies) is large enough for clear presentation. Also, use graphics, diagrams, and figures to make your presentation clear
• The presentation time will be 12 minutes (+3 minutes for Q&A). Please make sure you respect the time.

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The session Chairs are responsible for:

Ensuring that the presentation equipment is ready at the time of the session and that PowerPoint presentations will be downloaded before the start of the session.
• Ensuring that presentations run exactly in the order given in the conference program
• Introducing speakers
• Controlling time

Award for Career Excellence in Scientific Research

The Lebanese Association for Advancement of Science will grant an award to two outstanding investigators who have made an exceptional contribution to scientific research at the national and international levels.

This event will take place during the 21st International Science Meeting on April 17, 2015, during the closing ceremony.

Eligibility:
• The nominee should be a Lebanese researcher who has made an outstanding contribution to scientific research during the previous years
• The award recipient will be selected based on the quality and quantity of his/her publications
• The selection will be made by an independent council of established researchers appointed by the Board of the Lebanese Association for Advancement of Science
• Major awards won by candidates will be taken into consideration

Instructions and Deadlines:

Scientists can either apply themselves or they can be nominated by people familiar with the candidate’s work by sending the following documents to the President of LAAS: naimouaini@laaslb.org ; naimouaini@usek.edu.lb;
• Nomination letter
• C.V.
• 1 or 2 pages describing the nominee’s scientific achievements.

The deadline for submission is March 20, 2015