

**10th BIENNIAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
OF THE INFRARED AND RAMAN USERS GROUP**

28th–31th March 2012
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General Information

The Infrared and Raman Users' Group (IRUG) provides a forum for the exchange of infrared (IR) and Raman spectroscopic information, reference spectra and materials. Its biennial conferences offer a unique opportunity to share scientific results and new developments in the application of IR and Raman spectroscopy to the study and conservation of the world's cultural heritage. Conference attendees are typically scientists, conservators, restorers, curators, as well as students within the art conservation and historic preservation fields, who apply IR and Raman spectroscopy to the analysis of art and archeological materials.

IRUG is pleased to announce that the 10th international IRUG conference (IRUG10) will be hosted by the **Department of Analytical Chemistry at the University of Barcelona**, Barcelona, Spain in March 2012. Delegates from universities and museums throughout the world are encouraged to attend to share their experiences in the spectroscopic analysis of cultural heritage materials.

IMPORTANT!

Abstracts submission deadline has been extended to November 22nd, 2011

Main Topics

Vibrational spectroscopy for characterization of materials in art and archaeology

Instrumental development on IR and Raman spectroscopy

Non-invasive analysis of works of art and archaeology

Degradation analysis by vibrational spectroscopy

Database of cultural materials.

The conference will take place at the **CaixaForum Barcelona** (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8, 08038 Barcelona - Tel. 93 476 86 00 / Fax: 93 476 86 35).

Conference language

The official language of the conference is English.

Important Dates and Deadlines!

February 28th, 2011: First announcement

September 15th, 2011: Second announcement

November 15th, 2011 : Third announcement

From September 15th, 2011 to January 15th, 2012: Early Registration
(After this date registration fee will increase 30 € for both professionals and students)

November 22nd, 2011: Extended deadline for abstract submission

December 15th, 2011: Notification of acceptance and selection for oral presentation or poster

January 15th, 2011: Provisional scientific program

February 15th, 2011: Final scientific program

March 28th-31th, 2012: Conference

Registration

For registration, download the PDF form on the IRUG website and send it by e-mail or Fax to:

e-mail: IRUG10BCN@ub.edu

Fax: (34)934021281

Registration fees

The registration fees for the conference have been determined as follows:

Professionals 190 €, Students 80€*

* Official proof of student status must accompany the conference registration and payment form.

After January 15th, 2012 registration fee will increase 30 € for both professionals and students.

The registration fee includes a contribution to IRUG (75€ Professionals, 30€ Students, a conference book of abstracts and a bag with documentation, admission to all sessions, coffee

breaks as well as social events related to the conference. Extra fees will be charged for lunches (20€) and the conference dinner (40€)

Payments

Payments should be made by Bank transfer to:
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Av. Diagonal, 645 Adm. Centre Física I Química - 08028- Barcelona, SPAIN
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Please include IRUG10 and your FULL NAME on the statement!

Abstract Submission

The abstracts should be submitted by **November 22nd, 2011**. Please send it by e-mail to **IRUG10BCN@ub.edu**.

Information for Presentations

The language of the conference is English. Oral communications will last 20 minutes and include a discussion of 5 minutes.

The poster boards should have dimensions of 100 cm height by 90 cm width. Mounting supplies for posters will be provided by the Organizing Committee.

Program

A provisional Program is available on the official website
www.ub.edu/IRUG10BCN.

Conference Proceedings

Authors are invited to publish their presentations in:
e-PRESERVATIONScience
link: www.morana-rtd.com/e-preservation-science

Accommodations

On the occasion of the conference, a limited number of rooms have been booked at hotels nearby the conference venue. In order to take advantage of the discount rates, the accommodation request should mention "SYMPOSIUM IRUG10" as a reference in the e-mail reservation.

Participants who wish to book their accommodation for the conference in these hotels are kindly requested to refer to the different contacts mentioned on the website.

Each participant should book and pay the room directly. The allotment in each hotel is guaranteed until January 2012. After that date rooms not booked will be available upon request and upon the hotel's availability. For further information about prices and reservation terms consult the IRUG website.

Moreover the following website may be useful to find hostels in Barcelona:

http://w3.bcn.cat/turisme/0,4022,495525130_543997009_3,00.html

**WARNING! Other important conferences will be held in Barcelona on the same period.
Please book your hotel in advance.**

Committees

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