

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

The 20th International Conference on Difference Equations and Applications

第二十届差分方程及应用国际会议

*Wuhan, China
21-25, July 2014*

Scope

The twentieth *International Conference on Difference Equations and Applications* will be held in Wuhan (Hubei, China), from July 21 to 25, 2014. The conference is organized by *Wuhan Institute of Physics and Mathematics (WIPM), Chinese Academy of Sciences*, under the auspices of the *International Society of Difference Equations (ISDE)*.

The previous conferences were held in the cities of Mucat (Oman) in 2013, Barcelona (Spain) in 2012, Trois-Rivières (Canada) in 2011, Riga (Latvia) in 2010, Estoril (Portugal) in 2009, Istanbul (Turkey) in 2008, Lisbon (Portugal) in 2007, Kyoto (Japan) in 2006, Munich (Germany) in 2005, Los Angeles (California, USA) in 2004, Brno (Czech Republic) in 2003, Changsha (China) in 2002, Augsburg (Germany) in 2001, Temuco (Chile) in 2000, Poznan (Poland) in 1998, Taipei (Taiwan) in 1997, Veszprém (Hungary) in 1995 and San Antonio (Texas, USA) in 1994.

The purpose of the conference is to exchange the latest developments in difference equations, discrete dynamical systems, fractal geometry, to explore the applications of discrete models in natural science, social science and engineering, and to enhance the international cooperation on the theory and applications of difference equations.

Conference Affairs

Scientific Program

The scientific program for the conference will consist of interdisciplinary sessions, which include plenary lectures, contributed talks. The plenary speakers are experts chosen from the many areas of Difference Equations, broadly defined, and experts on Discrete Dynamical Systems, and their interplay with nonlinear science. Contributed talks in this field are welcome and will be considered. There will be proceedings of the conference. They will be published by Springer a work provisionally entitled: *Difference Equations, Discrete Dynamical Systems and Applications - Proceedings of the 20th International Conference on Difference Equations and Applications, Wuhan,*

China, July 21-25, 2014. All participants are cordially invited to submit a paper to this proceeding.

The following sessions are planned:

- Difference equations
- Discrete dynamical systems
- Fractal geometry
- Biological models
- Discrete models and applications
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We encourage participants to organize special sessions in the themes of ICDEA2014, please contact the local organize committee via icdea2014@gmail.com

List of Plenary Speakers

Lluís Alseda	(Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain)
Ziyad Al-Sharawi	(Sultan Qaboos University, Oman)
Martin Bohner	(Missouri University of Science and Technology, USA)
Ai-hua Fan	(Université de Picardie Jules Verne, France, Central China Normal University, China)
Peter Kloeden	(University of Frankfurt, Germany)
Piotr Oprocha	(AGH University of Science and Technology, Poland)
Kenneth Palmer	(National Taiwan University, Taiwan, China)
Weixiao Shen	(National University of Singapore, Singapore)
Roderick Wong	(City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China)
Xiangdong Ye	(University of Science and Technology of China, China)
Huijiang Zhao	(Wuhan University, China)
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Important Dates

Opening of online registration service: April 20, 2014

Deadline for early registration: June 15, 2014

Deadline for abstracts: June 20, 2014

Manuscripts for the proceedings deadline: December 15, 2014.

Conference Fees

Online Payment Platform Like Pay-pal will be supported when the online registration service is opened in April 2014.

Level of Participation	Registration Fee	
	Until June 15, 2014	From June 15, 2014
Regular	250 US\$	350 US\$
Students (with status confirmation)	150 US\$	250 US\$
ISDE Sponsoring Members for 2013	150 US\$	250 US\$
ISDE sponsoring student member	120 US\$	200 US\$
Regular Participants affiliated with institutions in China	1500RMB	2100 RMB
Student participants affiliated with institutions in China	700 RMB	1000 RMB

What is covered: The above fees together with the generous support provided by the conference sponsors will cover each of the following:

- Opening ceremony
- Abstract Book and conference related material
- Lunch and supper for 4 days
- Coffee-Breaks
- City Tour
- Conference Dinner Banquet

We have limited funds to support young scholars and students from developing countries. Details are to be announced at the ICDEA2014 website.

Conference Language

The language of the conference is English.

Abstracts Submission

The length of each abstract is strictly limited to two pages. Abstracts should be informative, carefully prepared. Abstracts must be submitted on-line using the given Templates. The abstracts should be submitted in tex via the electronic submission available at the website (opening from April 20, 2014) not later than June 20, 2014.

Visa and Travel Authorization

Conference participants from most countries will be required to obtain a visa to enter China. Conference participants can apply for a Chinese visa through a travel agency or directly at local Chinese embassy or consulate. For attending conference, one can apply for either a tourist visa (Visa L) or a business visa (Visa F). Conference participants should check the visa requirements well in advance. The Chinese Visa Application Service Centre at local Chinese embassy or consulate provides helpful information on how to apply for a Chinese visa. The ICDEA2014 organizer encourages participants to apply for their visas as early as possible. No visa is required for ordinary passport holders from some countries (e.g. Singapore, Brunei and Japan) to visit China for up to 15 days. Conference participants are strongly recommended to consult the local Chinese Embassy or Consulate for the most current requirements and those specific to their situations

(See <http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng>, for official visa information)

Visa L(the Tourist Visa)

The participants are strongly encouraged to apply for the tourist visa (Visa L), for the apply procedure will be much simpler than Visa F. You'd better find a local travel agency, and ask them to help you to apply visa L.(See <http://www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/visa/tourist.htm>, for guides of visa L application)

Visa F (the Business Visa)

In case you apply for the Business Visa (Visa F), an invitation letter for the conference together with the official authorized document will be required, and you need to contact icdea2014@gmail.com before 15 June, 2014 including the following information in your email:

Items	Example
Passport Number	123456789
Full Name As in Passport	Jack Einstein
Gender	Male
BirthDay	1980-06-30
Nationality	China
City to Apply for VISA	Beijing
Date of First Entry	2014-07-16
Departure Date	2014-08-01
POST Address	West No.30 Xiao Hong Shan, Wuhan Institute of Phys. and Math, Wuhan 430071 China
Curriculum Vitae	1999.9-2003.7 Wuhan University 2003.8-2013.7 Wuhan Institute of Phys. and Math.

(Please note that we can offer an official authorized document with a valid period only from 15 July, 2014 to 5 August, 2014.)

Letters of Invitation

Letters of invitation to attend ICDEA2014 will be sent upon request. Invited speakers may request a letter starting from 20 March, 2014. For participants submitting contributed abstracts, requests should be made as soon as possible after 15 April, 2014. The title of your invited talk or contributed talk will be specifically mentioned in the letter. Both an electronic copy and a hard copy can be requested.

Committee and Contact

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