

TUESDAY

8:30	KEYNOTE ADDRESS Brendan Dromey, Queen's University Belfast Optimising the efficiency of harmonic emission from relativistic laser plasmas	
T1	Innovative optics, beam shaping, pulse generation I – Chair Mariastefania De Vido	
9:15	T1.1	Invited - Götz Lehmann, Heinrich-Heine University Plasma-based optics for high-power lasers
9:45	T1.2	Julia Mikhailova, Princeton University Plasma optics for ultra-intense laser science
	T1.3	Vladimir Chvykov, Colorado State University Filamentation suppression by beam shaping for post-compression techniques.
	T1.4	Ildar Begishev, Laboratory for Laser Energetics, University of Rochester Second-harmonic generation in ultrathin mirror-style crystals
10:30	COFFEE BREAK	
11:00	Announcement of IUPAP ICUIL 2026 Prize Winners: Yoshiaki Kato Award / Early Career Scientist	
T2	High field science – Chair G. Ravindra Kimar	
11:15	T2.1	Invited – Matt Zepf, GSI Helmholtzzentrum für Schwerionenforschung Vacuum birefringence experiments
11:45	T2.2	Tatiana Smorodnikova, Stanford PULSE Institute Experiment 320: probing strong-field QED by colliding short laser pulses with ultra-relativistic electron beams
	T2.3	Timo Pohle, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München The status of the photon-photon scattering experiment at CALA
	T2.4	Paul McKenna, University of Strathclyde Synchrotron-dominated X-ray emission from ultrathin foils in the relativistic self-induced transparency regime
12:30	LUNCH	
T3	Multi-petawatt facilities and beyond III – Chair Zsuzsanna Major	
13:30	T3.1	Ewan Harvey, AWE Recent and future development of the ORION laser facility
	T3.2	Dimitrios Papadopoulos, Laboratoire pour l'Utilisation des Lasers Intenses Multi-PW dual-beam operational status of the Apollon laser facility and upgrades toward 10 PW
	T3.3	Roland Sándor Nagymihály, ELI ALPS Next generation face-cooled Ti:Sa laser heads: a way to reach stable 10 Hz operation and beyond at petawatt level
	T3.4	Félicie Albert, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory The Jupiter Laser Facility: New capabilities for discovery science and inertial fusion energy research
	T3.5	Erhard Gaul, Marvel Fusion Advanced DPSSL Petawatt Drivers
	T3.6	Helder Crespo, Central Laser Facility A novel broadband front-end source architecture for multi-petawatt laser facilities
	T3.7	Samy Ferhat, Laboratoire pour l'Utilisation des Lasers Intenses Enhancing single-shot temporal contrast dynamic range for multi-PW lasers via plasma-mirror selective peak attenuation
	T3.8	Sara Bucht, Laboratory for Laser Energetics, University of Rochester High-peak-power optical parametric chirped-pulse–amplification development platform
15:30	COFFEE BREAK AND POSTER SESSION TP1 BEGINS	
T4	Innovative optics, beam shaping, pulse generation – Chair Pedro Oliveira	
17:00	T4.1	Invited – Yunxia Yin, Shanghai Institute of Optics and Fine Mechanics Advances in pulse compression gratings
	T4.2	Yann Bernhard, Horiba Recent advances in extra-large 1400 gr/mm gold-coated diffraction gratings for 50 PW-class laser facilities
	T4.3	Sonja Gerlach, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München Temporal contrast enhancement of the petawatt-class ATLAS 3000 laser via stretcher mirror upgrade and impact on ion acceleration
17:30 – 18:30	T4.4	Loïc Meignien, Laboratoire pour l'Utilisation des Lasers Intenses Generation and high energy amplification of temporally incoherent and arbitrarily shaped optical pulses using Semiconductor Optical Amplifier (SOA)
	T4.5	Stefan Bock, Helmholtz-Zentrum Dresden-Rossendorf Advances in 2D self-referenced spectral interferometry for single-shot laser pulse measurements beyond ten orders of magnitude dynamic and their application to high-power laser systems
19:15	Dinner	