



National Conference of ICSC Spoke 7 MATERIALS & MOLECULAR SCIENCES

Event Dates: May 12-14, 2025

Venue: Budinich Lecture Hall, ICTP, Strada Costiera, 11 - I-34151 Trieste, Italy

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Monday May 12

13:30 Registration

14:30 Welcome by [Sandro Scandolo](#) (ICTP) & Introduction and overview about the National Centre ([Stefano Fabris](#), [Stefano Baroni](#))

14:45 Keynote: [Piotr Lusczek](#) *Accelerating Innovation with High-Performance Computing* (Research Director at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA)

15:05 [Pietro Delugas](#) (SISSA) *Quantum ESPRESSO and HPC, history, status, and outlook*

15:25 [Fulvio Paleari](#) (CNR-NANO) *Efficient first-principles calculations of exciton-phonon coupling for theoretical spectroscopy and excited-state dynamics in crystals with YAMBO*

15:45 Coffee break (30')

16:15 [Giacomo Ambrogio](#) (UniTO) *Large-scale DFT calculations of materials on CPU/GPU architectures with CRYSTAL*

16:35 [Daniele Rapetti](#) (SISSA) *Bringing PLUMED to the GPU: implementing a flexible parallelization interface for a community developed code*

16:55 [Tommaso Nottoli](#) (UniPI) *An Efficient Implementation of Coupled Cluster with Cholesky Decomposition and Point-Group Symmetry*

17:15 [Lucian Constantin](#) (CNR-IMM) *DFT developments: 1) Correlation Energy Functionals from Adiabatic-Connection formalism and 2) Dynamical Kinetic Energy Functionals for Plasmonics*

Poster session (with refreshments)

Tuesday May 13

09:00 Keynote: [Jan Gerit Brandenburg](#) (Director for Digital Chemistry, Merck) *Scaling Digital Chemistry at Merck: Synergies from Academia to tackle industry challenges*

09:40 [Bernardino Tirri](#) & [Giacomo Melani](#) (ENI) *Industrial HPC for Material Science: Eni and Research Centers Advancing Towards High-Throughput Screening*

10:00 [Giacomo Melani](#) (CNR-Pisa & ENI) *Machine learning-Accelerated DFT Sampling of Dynamical Processes in Catalysis and Materials Science*

10:20 Coffee break (30')

10:50 Lavazza & Granarolo TBA

11:30 Tampieri TBA

11:50 Lunch

13:40 Keynote: [Nicola Marzari](#) (EPFL, Director NCCR MARVEL) *The shape of things to come*

14:20 [Omar Abou El Kheir](#) (UniMIB) *Machine learning interatomic potential of phase change for electronic memories and neuromorphic computing*

14:40 [Davide Bidoglia](#) (UniTS) *Structural phase transitions in monolayer transition-metal dichalcogenides with a neural-network interatomic potential*

15:00 Coffee break (30')

15:30 [Andrea Maslov](#) (Leonardo S.p.A.) *Exploring innovation: Leonardo's R&D framework and the development of the ASGAR project*

15:50 [Emanuela Zaccarelli](#) (CNR-ISC Roma) TBA

16:10 [Matteo Signorile](#) (UniTO) *Enhancing materials characterization with computational tools*

16:30 [Alessio Bartocci](#) (UniTN) *How protein-ligand interactions can modulate protein functions: insights from molecular dynamics simulations*

16:50 Roundtable (panel TBA)

Poster session (with refreshments)

Wednesday May 14

09:00 [Nadia Rega](#) (Full professor in Physical Chemistry, UniNA) *Insights from vibrational dynamics on photorelaxation and non-linear optical spectroscopy techniques*

09:40 [Gloria Mazzone](#) (UniCAL) *Computational assessment of novel ruthenium complexes as phototherapeutic agents*

10:00 [Samuele Giannini](#) (CNR-ICCOM) *Toward an Accurate Description of the Nature and Quantum Dynamics of Electronic Excitations in Extended, Vibrationally Noisy, Molecular Aggregates*

10:20 [Leonardo Belpassi](#) (CNR-SCITEC Perugia) *Fully relativistic Dirac-Kohn-Sham calculations for molecules in a complex environment: one step towards the exascale computing*

10:40 Coffee break (30')

11:10 [Re Fiorentin](#) (Polito) *Computer aided design of bimetallic compound surfaces for CO₂ electroreduction*

11:30 [Daniele Perilli](#) (UniMIB) *Engineering Graphene via Doping: Tuning Its Properties for Molecular Gas Interactions*

11:50 [Federica Lauria](#) (UniTO) *Solvent simulation strategies in organic chemistry*

12:10 [Ignazio Vacante](#) (CNR-IMM Catania) *Bridging length and time scales for materials properties and industrial process simulations*

12:30 [Samuele Giuli](#) (SISSA) *Effective and efficient ways to model strong correlation effects in real materials*

12:50 Concluding remarks

13:00 Lunch

Spoke Assembly