

TIME TABLE

TIME	Monday June 6	Tuesday June 7	Wednesday June 8	Thursday June 9	Friday June 10
09.00 - 09.45	Registration	Danas	Fu	Gei	Gei
09.45 - 10.30	Lopez-Pamies	Danas	Fu	Reis	Gei
11.00 - 11.45	Lopez-Pamies	Keip	Keip	Reis	Lopez-Pamies
11.45 - 12.30	Lopez-Pamies	Keip	Keip	Fu	Danas
14.00 - 14.45	Gei	Reis	Fu	Fu	
14.45 - 15.30	Gei	Reis	Fu	Danas	
16.00 - 16.45	Danas	Keip	Gei	Lopez-Pamies	
16.45 - 17.30	Danas	Keip	Poster Session	Lopez-Pamies	
18.00	Welcome aperitif				

ADMISSION AND ACCOMMODATION

The course is offered in a hybrid format giving the possibility to attend the course also by remote (on Microsoft Teams platform). On-site places are limited and assigned on first come first served basis.

The registration fees are:

- On-site participation, 600.00 Euro + VAT*

This fee includes a complimentary bag, five fixed menu buffet lunches, hot beverages, downloadable lecture notes.

Deadline for on-site application is May 6, 2022.

- Online participation, 250.00 Euro + VAT*

This fee includes downloadable lecture notes.

Deadline for online application is May 25, 2022.

Application forms should be sent on-line through the following web site: <http://www.cism.it>

A message of confirmation will be sent to accepted participants.

Upon request a limited number of on-site participants can be accommodated at CISM Guest House at the price of 30 Euro per person/night (mail to: foresteria@cism.it).

** where applicable (bank charges are not included)*

Italian VAT is 22%.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Applicants may cancel their registration and receive a full refund by notifying CISM Secretariat in writing (by email) no later than:

- May 6, 2022 for on-site participants (no refund after the deadline);

- May 25, 2022 for online participants (no refund after the deadline).

Cancellation requests received after these deadlines will be charged a 50.00 Euro handling fee. Incorrect payments are subject to Euro 50,00 handling fee.

GRANTS

A limited number of participants from universities and research centres who are not supported by their own institutions can request the waive of the registration fee and/or free lodging.

Requests should be sent to CISM Secretariat by **April 6, 2022** along with the applicant's curriculum and a letter of recommendation by the head of the department or a supervisor confirming that the institute cannot provide funding. Preference will be given to applicants from countries that sponsor CISM.

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ELECTRO- AND MAGNETO- MECHANICS OF SOFT SOLIDS: EXPERIMENTS, MODELING, AND INSTABILITIES

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Over the last two decades, increasing efforts have been devoted by numerous researchers in a wide range of fields to design new composite materials with enhanced coupled properties. Most of these efforts have focused on soft organic materials because of their potential to undergo large reversible deformations when subjected to a variety of external stimuli, such as electric and magnetic fields, temperature changes and chemical changes. The focus of this course will be on the electro- and magneto-mechanics of soft composite materials and structures. These may comprise hierarchical microstructures and/or micro-architectures spanning several length scales from the nano- to the centi-meter.

The focus of the course will be on magnetorheological elastomers (MREs) and dielectric elastomer

composites (DECs), which are composite materials that comprise ferromagnetic and high-dielectric/ conducting filler nano- and micro-particles embedded in a soft polymeric matrix. This gives rise to a coupled magneto- and electro-mechanical response at the macroscopic (order of millimeters and larger) scale when they are subjected to magneto- electro-mechanical external stimuli. While such MRE and DEC materials and devices can become unstable at some critical electro-magneto-mechanical loading, their response may be well controlled in the post-instability regime. This feature motivates the operation of these devices in this unstable region to obtain controlled pattern formation, soft robotic motion and artificial muscles, controllable band-gap acoustic and electromagnetic properties, energy harvesting as well as

actively controlled stiffness (for cell-growth).

The topics of this Advanced School will include the presentation of experimental fabrication and testing techniques for MREs and DECs, the derivation of thermodynamically-consistent coupled variational formulations, the numerical implementation and analysis of MREs and DECs as well as of their stability using homogenization techniques, theoretical coupled homogenization and phenomenological continuum theories. The course will emphasize the significance of an integrated experimental-analytical-numerical approach across the relevant length scales.

The Course will consist of introductory lectures on the theoretical aspects of such

materials, followed by lectures on more specialized topics given by eminent experts in the field of experiments, phenomenological and micromechanical modeling of active composites and structures, instabilities and energy harvesting. The course will close with recent examples showing the necessary but also powerful combination of experiments, numerics and theory to study the response of MREs and DECs and their instabilities.

The School is addressed to doctoral students, post-docs and early career researchers with interest in active soft materials. The course is designed to give an integrated experimental, numerical and theoretical viewpoint on such novel material systems as well as possible future research directions in this field.

PRELIMINARY SUGGESTED READINGS

Bertoldi, K., Gei M. (2011), Instabilities in multilayered soft dielectrics, *J. Mech. Phys. Solids* 59 (1), 18-42.

K. Danas (2017). Effective response of classical, auxetic and chiral magnetoelastic materials by use of a new variational principle, *J. Mech. Phys. Solids*, 105, 25-53.

Danas K., Kankanala S.V., Triantafyllidis N., (2012). Experiments and modeling of iron-particle-filled magnetorheological elastomers, *J. Mech. Phys. Solids*, 60, 120-138.

Fu, YB, Xie YX, and Dorfmann, L, (2018). A reduced model for electrodes-coated dielectric plates. *Int. J. Non-linear Mech.* 106, 60-69.

Keip, M.-A., & Rambauek, M. (2017). Computational and analytical investigations of shape effects in the experimental characterization of magnetorheological elastomers. *International Journal of Solids and Structures*, 121, 1-20.

Lefèvre, V., Lopez-Pamies, O. 2017. Nonlinear electroelastic

deformations of dielectric elastomer composites: I — Ideal elastic dielectrics. *J. Mech. Phys. Solids* 99, 409–437.

Lefèvre, V., Lopez-Pamies, O. 2017. Nonlinear electroelastic deformations of dielectric elastomer composites: II — Non-Gaussian elastic dielectrics. *J. Mech. Phys. Solids* 99, 438–470.

Meddeb, A.B., Ounaies, Z., Lopez-Pamies, O. (2019). Interfacial effects on the electrical behavior of elastomer nanoparticulate composites, *Behavior and*

Mechanics of Multifunctional Materials XIII 10968, 1096801.

Meddeb, A.B., Tighe, T., Ounaies, Z., Lopez-Pamies, O. (2019). Extreme enhancement of the nonlinear elastic response of elastomer nanoparticulate composites via interphases, *Comp. Part B: Engineering* 156, 166-173.

Psarra E., Bodelot L., Danas K. (2017). Two-field surface pattern control via marginally stable magnetorheological elastomers, *Soft Matter*, 13 (37), 6576-6584.

LECTURERS

Kostas Danas - LMS, CNRS, Ecole Polytechnique, Palaiseau, France
6 lectures on: magnetoactive soft solids, phenomenological modeling of magneto-elasticity, balance principles (momenta and Maxwell), macroscopic and homogenization modeling and experiments of magnetorheological elastomers (MREs), including instabilities on MRE film/substrate systems, modeling of magnetic hysteresis and h-MREs.

Yibin Fu - Keele University, Staffordshire, UK
6 lectures on: analytical methods for studying periodic and localized buckling patterns, and explain how the methods can be used to study the wrinkling and necking of dielectric thin sheets under general electromechanical loading conditions.

Massimiliano Gei - University of Trieste, Italy
6 lectures on: the phenomenological and micromechanical modeling and stability of dielectric elastomers and dielectric elastomer composites (DECs). He will also present an analysis of the features of different types of devices made up of dielectric elastomers: actuators and mechanical-to-electrical energy converters for energy harvesting purposes.

Marc-André Keip - University of Stuttgart, Germany
6 lectures on: the continuum-mechanical modeling and numerical simulation of magneto-electro-mechanically coupled boundary value problems across length scales, first-order computational homogenization strategies, material and structural stability analysis, and phase-field modeling of microstructures at finite deformations.

Oscar Lopez-Pamies - University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL, USA
6 lectures on: on fundamentals of electro-magneto-elasticity, homogenization of electro-magneto-elastic composites at small and finite deformations, analytical and numerical methods for homogenization in MREs and DECs (with and without space charges), comparisons between homogenization-based theoretical results and experiments.

Pedro Reis - École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland
4 lectures on: the state-of-the-art fabrication, experiments and theoretical study of hard-MRE structures, effect of geometry and direction of the applied magnetic fields upon the hMRE response, beam, shell and plate theories for hMREs.

LECTURES

All lectures will be given in English. Lecture notes can be downloaded from the CISM web site. Instructions will be sent to accepted participants.