The 2011 Autumn Festival and the da Vinci Competition

The 2011 da Vinci Competition will be held at ERCOFTAC's Autumn Festival at the Technische Universität in Darmstadt, Germany, October 10, 2011. The event's venue is the Room K24 (situated opposite of the main entrance) in the Mechanical Engineering Department Building (Petersenstr. 30, see the relevant position plan). In the morning the colleagues from the Mechanical Engineering Department will present their activities (see the event's program). The afternoon session devoted to the da Vinci Competition will be opened by a lecture entitled "Osborne Reynolds - What a turbulent life!" which is going to be given by Prof. B.E. Launder from the University of Manchester.

The SPC and IPC meetings as well as the Executive Committee meeting will be held on October 11, 2011 in the Building of the "Center of Smart Interfaces" (Rooms No. 23, Petersenstr. 32; see the relevant position plan).

The event is organized jointly by the "Institute of Fluid Mechanics and Aerodynamics" and "Center of Smart Interfaces". In the case of any question contact Prof. Dr.-Ing. Suad Jakirlic (s.jakirlic@sla.tu-darmstadt.de).

Arrival

<u>Arriving by car</u>: Leave the Autobahn A5 (Frankfurt/M, – Heidelberg/Basel) or A 67 (Köln/Wiesbaden – Mannheim) at the exit "Darmstadt Zentrum". Follow the signs "TUD Lichtwiese" towards the east (Aschaffenburg and Vivarium). The university area "Lichtwiese" is situated in the south-eastern outskirts of the town.

Arriving by train: Darmstadt Central Station ("Hauptbahnhof") is a stop for ICE, IC, EC and interregio trains in north-south-traffic. From the railway station you can take the bus (Line K, direction "TU Lichtwiese") and get off at the final stop. Tickets you can buy in the bus (preis: 1,60 €). The bus goes every 15 minutes and needs 18 minutes to reach the final stop.

<u>Arriving by airplane</u>: Frankfurt airport is situated about 25km away from Darmstadt. From the airport you can take the "Airliner" bus and reach **Darmstadt Central Train Station** in just 25 minutes. This bus departs at terminal 1, arrivals area B, bus stop number 15 and terminal 2, arrivals area D + E. From Darmstadt Central Train Station you can take another bus directly to the "Lichtwiese", campus (see "arriving by train" above).

One can also take the **tram No. 5** from the Central Train Station (direction Kranichstein; this is especially suitable for those staying at the Maritim Hotel) to reach the **City Center** (**Luisenplatz**). Then the **Bus Line No.** "K" (TU Lichtwiese direction) should be taken.

Once you have arrived at "TU-Lichtwiese" you can see the "Maschinenbau"-building (building L1/01; Petersenstrasse 30) with a huge red gear-wheel in front. Please use the main entrance near the gear wheel. The **Room K24** (Autumn Festival and the da Vinci Award Presentations venue) is just opposite of the main entrance.

Hotels

There is a very detailed hotel list (see also the relevant position plan). We recommend the hotels "Bockshaut" (City Center; by booking mention that you are guests of the TU Darmstadt, Prof. Tropea), "Welcome Hotel" (City Center), "Weinmichel Hotel Darmstadt" (City Center) and Maritim Conference Hotel (at the Central Train Station – not indicated at the position plan; there is one more Maritim hotel – Maritim Rhein-Main Hotel – opposite of the Maritim Conference Hotel). The TU Darmstadt has an agreement with the "Welcome Hotel" and the "Maritim Hotels"; a booking code is necessary to know (contact S. Jakirlic to learn about that: s.jakirlic@sla.tu-darmstadt.de)

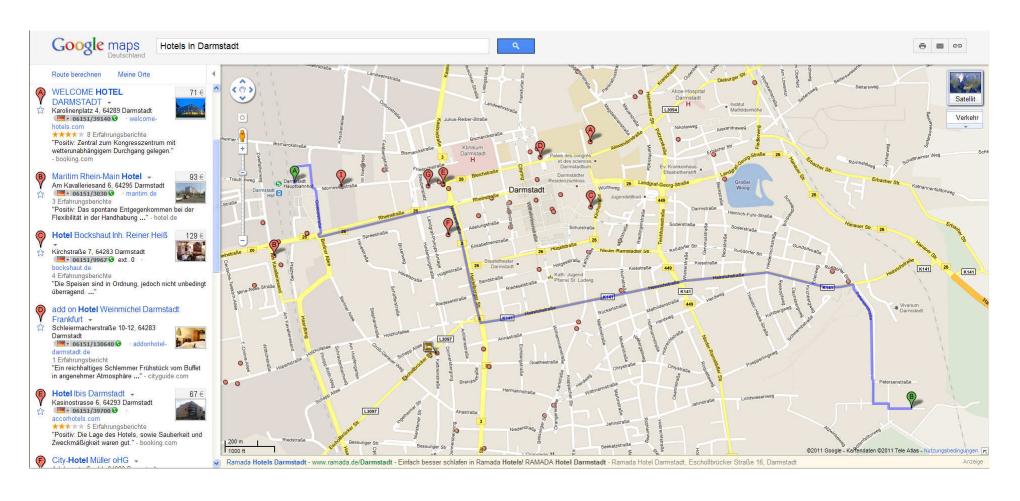
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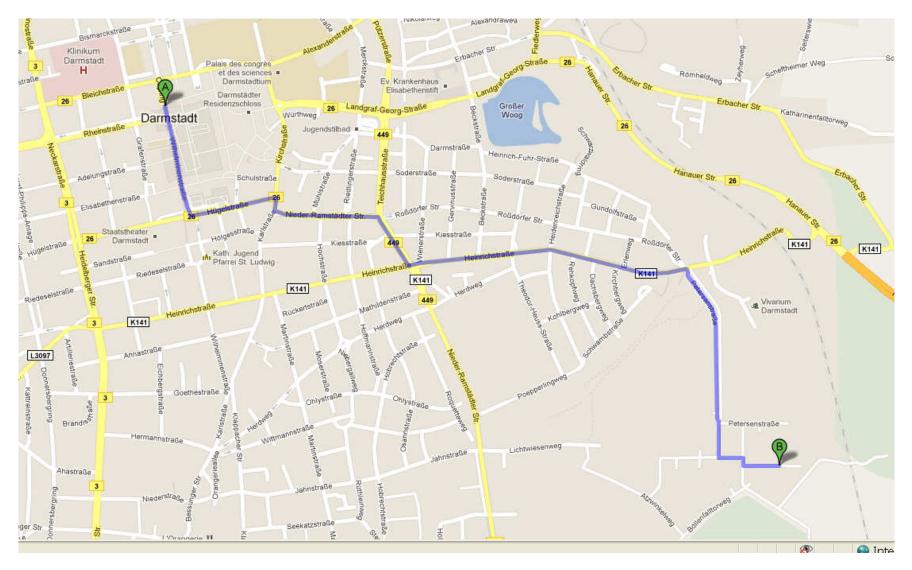
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Position plan with some of the most convenient hotels (see <u>the hotel list</u> for more details): A – Railway station; B – Technische Universität Darmstadt (Lichtwiese), ERCOFTAC Meetings Venue



2. Position plan: A – City Centre (Luisenplatz); B – TU Darmstadt (Lichtwiese), ERCOFTAC Meetings Venue Blue line indicates (approximately) the bus route (Line K) to the TU Darmstadt (Lichtwiese)



3. Position plan:

TU Darmstadt (Lichtwiese), Petersenstr. 30-32, ERCOFTAC Meetings Venue (October 10-11, 2011)

