

# MODEST 24

Exploring Dense Stellar Systems Across Cosmic Time

19 - 23 AUGUST

## Warsaw

MODEST (Modelling and Observing DENSE Stellar systems) conference brings together researchers working on dense stellar systems and creates a space for theorists and observers to connect.

- TOPICS**
- Numerical approaches to modelling dense stellar systems
  - Observational properties of dense stellar systems
  - Formation of dense stellar systems across cosmic time
  - Stellar multiplicity, exotica, and transients in star clusters
  - Compact objects and gravitational wave sources

- SOC** Abbas Askar & Arkadiusz Hypki (co-chairs)
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| Alison Sills     | Fred Rasio        | Simon Portegies Zwart |
| Anna Lisa Varri  | Holger Baumgardt  | Silvia Toonen         |
| Barbara Lanzoni  | Jarrod Hurley     | Thomas Puzia          |
| Carl Rodriguez   | Manuel Arca Sedda | Tomasz Bulik          |
| Craig Heinke     | Michiko Fujii     | Peter Berczik         |
| Enrico Vesperini | Nadine Neumayer   | Long Wang             |
| Fabio Antonini   | Selma de Mink     |                       |
| Florent Renaud   | Sebastian Kamann  |                       |

# Welcome to MODEST-24 & the Nicolaus Copernicus Astronomical Center

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# Useful Information



- **Internet Connection & Power Supply**

- Wifi Name: Modest24  
Password: I like stars

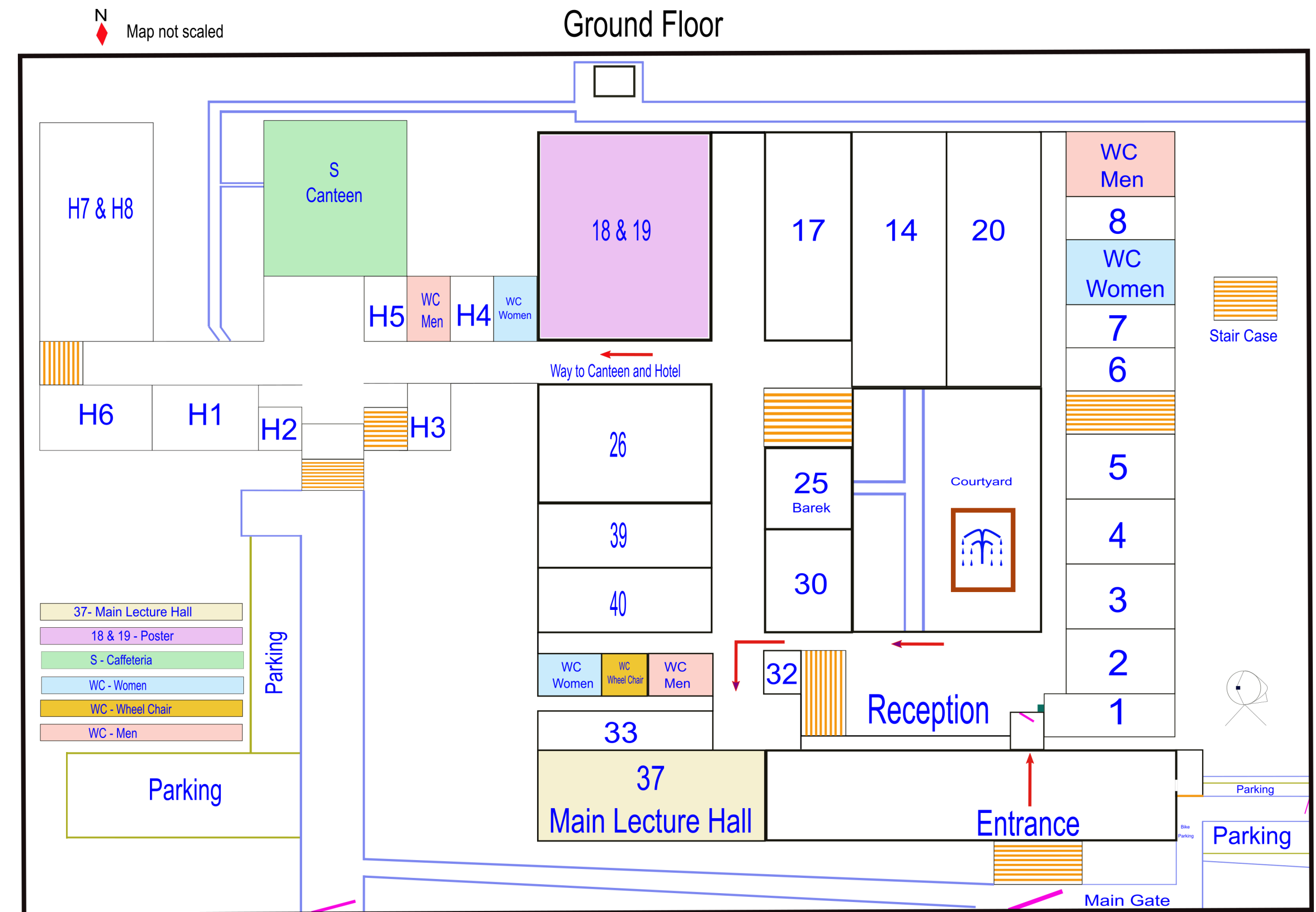
- 2 electricity supply extensions in each row of the lecture hall

- **Poster Area:** Room 18/19

- **Coffee Break:** Coffee machines, tea, hot water and refreshments will be available outside the lecture hall and in the reception area

- **Lunch & Canteen**

- For lunch at canteen, please see the information on the conference webpage: <https://events.camk.edu.pl/event/95/page/34-lunch-options>
- Please fill out the form indicating if you would like to eat at the canteen and which menu option you would like (a day before)
- A list of all restaurants and lunch options close to the venue have been provided in Section 5 of the document on practical information:  
[https://events.camk.edu.pl/event/95/attachments/426/1169/Practical\\_Information\\_MODEST-24.pdf](https://events.camk.edu.pl/event/95/attachments/426/1169/Practical_Information_MODEST-24.pdf)



**Map of Nicolaus Copernicus Astronomical Center (Ground Floor)**

<https://events.camk.edu.pl/event/95/page/30-venue>



# Conference Schedule

- An up-to-date schedule can be found on the conference website
- **Poster Viewing Session**
  - 17:30 today (there will be pizza)
  - If you haven't already, please upload your flash poster presentation slide before 10:30 today
- **Virtual Poster Presentations**
  - 17:25 on Tuesday (20<sup>th</sup> Aug)
- **Special Sessions at MODEST-24**
  - Wednesday (21<sup>st</sup> Aug) at 09:00, special session for For Prof. Rainer Spurzem & Prof. Roberto Capuzzo-Dolcetta
  - Session on compact objects and gravitational wave sources has been dedicated to our late colleague Prof. Krzysztof (Chris) Belczyński
- **Summary & Discussion Session**
  - 15:50 on Friday (23<sup>rd</sup> Aug)

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| 09:00 - 09:10<br><i>Welcome Remarks</i>                                      | 10:20 - 10:45<br><b>Coffee Break</b>                         | 10:50 - 11:20<br><b>Coffee Break</b>   | 10:40 - 11:05<br><b>Coffee Break</b>   | 10:20 - 10:45<br><b>Coffee Break</b>   |
| 09:10 - 10:30<br><b>Formation of Dense Stellar Systems</b>                   | 10:45 - 12:25<br><b>Observation of Dense Stellar Systems</b> | 11:20 - 12:20<br><b>Numerical Modelling: Stellar/Binary Evolution</b>                        | 11:05 - 12:45<br><b>Stellar Multiplicity, Exotica &amp; Transients (cont.)</b>                         | 10:45 - 12:25<br><b>Chris Belczynski Memorial Session on Compact Objects &amp; Gravitational Waves (cont.)</b> |
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<https://events.camk.edu.pl/event/95/page/33-conference-schedule-overview>

# Conference Schedule



- **Instructions for speakers**

- Please upload your PDF talk slides via the 'My Contributions' page on the conference website
- Talks should be uploaded at least 2 hours before the scheduled talk time
- If you plan on showing videos in your talk and cannot upload your talk slides as a PDF then please contact us well in advance
- All talks will be recorded and broadcasted live to virtual participants via Zoom.

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# Social Events



- More information and exact locations available on: <https://events.camk.edu.pl/event/95/page/35-social-events>

## ● Conference Dinner

- Wednesday (21<sup>st</sup> Aug) from 17:00 onwards
- Boat cruise on the Vistula River followed by dinner

## ● Museum Tour

- Free guided tour of the National Museum of Technology in Warsaw
- Group 1 (Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> Aug) and Group 2 (Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug)
- Arrival time at museum: 19:00

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# Code of Conduct



- Please read and adhere to the code of conduct posted on the conference website:  
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The goal of MODEST-24 is to encourage a friendly exchange of knowledge and ideas among researchers. The organisers of MODEST-24 are committed to fostering an environment of inclusivity, respect, and professionalism for all participants, regardless of gender, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, ethnicity, nationality, age, or religion. Harassment or discrimination of any form will not be tolerated.

We expect all attendees to adhere to the following guidelines:

- 1) Maintain professional behaviour:** Harassment, sexist, racist, or exclusionary comments or jokes are unacceptable. This includes any form of sustained disruption of talks or other events, inappropriate physical contact, sexual attention or innuendo, deliberate intimidation and stalking.
- 2) Respectful communication:** All interactions should be suitable for a professional audience, with no use of violent, sexual or disrespectful language or imagery of any kind. Please listen to talks attentively, and any questions after the talk should be communicated respectfully and should not be demeaning or discourteous.
- 3) Kindness and courtesy:** Treat others with kindness, respect, and consideration. Do not engage in disrespectful behaviour, insults, or put-downs towards other attendees or their research.
- 4) Use discretion and empathy:** Be mindful that what may be acceptable to one person may be offensive to another. Use discretion to ensure that your words and actions demonstrate respect for others.
- 5) Compliance with requests:** Participants must comply immediately with any request to stop inappropriate behaviour. Failure to do so may result in expulsion from the event.

- **If you witness or experience any form of harassment or inappropriate behaviour, please report it to one of the designated contact points for the code of conduct:**
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- **Volunteers have red badges**
- **SOC have green badges**
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- **Slack Workspace**
  - To join the MODEST-24 Slack Workspace, please use the invitation link below:  
[https://join.slack.com/t/modest-24/shared\\_invite/zt-2nqt6y6fq-BsFpHe2Tn3cYvFoDEYbLpw](https://join.slack.com/t/modest-24/shared_invite/zt-2nqt6y6fq-BsFpHe2Tn3cYvFoDEYbLpw)
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- **Slack Workspace**

**Thank you for joining us — we hope that you have a memorable and productive experience at MODEST-24!**

- To join the MODEST-24 Slack Workspace, please use the invitation link below:

[https://join.slack.com/t/modest-24/shared\\_invite/zt-2nqt6y6fq-BsFpHe2Tn3cYvFoDEYbLpw](https://join.slack.com/t/modest-24/shared_invite/zt-2nqt6y6fq-BsFpHe2Tn3cYvFoDEYbLpw)

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