



**6<sup>th</sup> SESAME Users' Meeting  
17-19 November, 2007  
Amman, Jordan**

**First Announcement**

The 6<sup>th</sup> SESAME Users' Meeting will be held in Amman, Jordan and will reflect the broad spectrum of synchrotron-based research interests of the SESAME users' community. The meeting will bring together scientists from the region and world experts in the various fields relevant to phase I beamlines, and will provide a platform for information exchange and discussions of ongoing collaborative efforts within the community. The meeting will also offer the opportunity to develop new collaborative research projects.

The scientific program of the meeting will be released in the 2<sup>nd</sup> announcement and will include plenary, invited, and contributed talks as well as a poster session. The program will cover topics in:

- Atomic, molecular, and chemical physics.
- Biology, drug design, and medical applications.
- Materials science and nanotechnology.
- Archaeology and cultural heritage.
- SESAME machine and phase I beamlines development.

A SESAME site tour is also planned for the morning of the second day.

**Accommodation**

The conference will be held at the [Days Inn Hotel & Suites, Amman](#), and a block of rooms has been reserved for the meeting participants. You can either make your reservation by directly contacting the hotel or have the Local Organizing Committee make the reservation on your behalf by indicating so on the Registration Form. Of course, you may always make your own reservation at other [hotels](#) of your choice.

**Financial Support**

Limited funds are available to meet hotel expenses for some participants. You may request that you be considered for these funds by indicating so on the Registration Form. Meals will be provided to all participants.

**Transportation**

The conference hotel is about 40 minutes drive from Queen Alia International Airport. Taxis are the easiest way to get to the hotel from the airport and cost about 17 JOD (\$25).

## Registration

You may type directly into the interactive Registration Form and save it to your computer, and either e-mail it or fax it as indicated on the form. **If you can not save the typed data then you need to download a newer version of the free Adobe Reader.** The registration deadline is **October 1, 2007**. There is no registration fee.

## Abstracts

Abstracts for all talks and posters should be submitted using the Abstract Template. The deadline for abstract submission is **October 15, 2007**.

## Visa Information

Visas are issued from Jordanian Diplomatic and Consular Missions abroad or from major ports of entry according to regulations. You can find a Jordanian Embassy in your country by visiting the [Jordanian diplomatic missions worldwide](#) web page. For more information on how to apply for a visa please go to the [Consular affairs department](#) page. A letter of invitation for purposes of obtaining a visa can be issued by the SESAME Jordanian National Committee upon request.

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Detailed information on the meeting can be found at the [SESAME website](#).