

First Announcement

Dear colleague,

This is to inform you, the member of the Interim Council of SESAME, that Japanese Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS), High Energy Accelerator Research Organization (KEK) in Japan, and Al-Balqa' Applied University in Jordan will jointly organize the Seminar on Light Sources and their Applications on October 19-28, 2002, at Al-Balqa' Applied University, Al Salt, Jordan. Please be reminded that the date is still rather tentative. There might be some shift of the date by a few days in future. The venue of the Seminar, Al-Balqa' Applied University, is located 25 km west of Amman.

The main objectives of the Seminar are to invite potential users of the SESAME from the SESAME member and observer countries, give them an overview of the project, and introduce sciences and applications that can be done at SESAME. We intend to make the Seminar the first occasion of the SESAME user assembly and help to form the user society. In addition to the participants from member and observer countries of SESAME, we also invite participants from East Asian countries, such as Japan, China, Korea, Thailand, India, etc. The lectures will cover all aspects of light sources: creation of synchrotron light, accelerator systems, insertion devices, beam lines and applications. We will try to invite best lecturers from all over the world.

We can support a few participants from each member or observer country for their travel between their place and Amman and stay in Jordan for the Seminar. Would you please recommend us up to three candidates and ask them to send their curriculum vitae together with their research plan at SESAME to BOTH of us (Shin-ichi Kurokawa and Isa Khubeis) by Email or telefax no later than June 15, 2002, to the following address ?

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We will select the participants from recommended candidates on the basis of the documents sent to us. How many participants we can support depends on the cost of travel and stay in Jordan; for the moment we can only say that the total number of participants from the SESAME member or observer countries (except Jordan) whom we can support is around 25-30. In order to have as many participants as possible in the Seminar we urge the participants to come to Amman by the cheapest way.

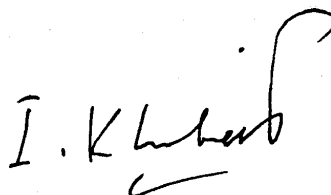
In case you have any questions and comments please feel free to write to Shin-ichi Kurokawa.

We are looking forward to your response.

Sincerely yours,



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