Quantum Africa 6 (QA6)

Sixth Edition of the Quantum Africa (QA) Conference Series



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12 - 16 September 2022 University of Rwanda, Kigali - Rwanda and online

The main goal of the Quantum Africa conferences is to promote research collaboration between African researchers and their counterparts in the rest of the world and at the same time build and increase human capacity and scientific awareness in quantum phenomena among scientists in Africa. Thus, the conference is open to researchers in Africa and researchers from all over the world.

This will be the sixth (6th) Quantum Africa (QA) conference and will be focused on Quantum Information Processing (this includes quantum computing, quantum communication, quantum cryptography, quantum simulations), together with all its algorithmic and hardware aspects.

Quantum phenomena, including quantum information and entanglement, for example, occur in many areas and are intrinsically important, apart from the recent potential technological applications (e.g., in quantum computation). We consider it important that researchers and scientists in Africa contribute significantly to this broad field in both the science (understanding) and technology/engineering (applications) of quantum phenomena.

Focus topics for QA6 include:

- Quantum control
- Quantum computing
- Quantum thermodynamics
- Quantum communication
- Quantum simulations
- Quantum optics
- Quantum materials (sensing)
- Quantum metrology
- Materials and phenomena in condensed-matter physics for quantum computing

Workshop Structure:

• QA6 will be hybrid with participants joining in person in Kigali and online. Also unique to QA6 is that pedagogical presentations as well as a large number of talks from industry practitioners in quantum phenomena and quantum computing will be a significant part of the conference.

• Postgraduate students, postdocs, and early career researchers are particularly encouraged to participate and will have opportunities to present their work in posters

• QA6 will feature cutting edge research talks from invited speakers. There will also be contributed talks and poster sessions (both online and in-person).

Total duration:

Organizers:

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Invited Speakers:

From Industry

Trond Andersen (Google Quantum) Abe Astaw (Google Quantum) Fernando Brandao (Caltech USA and AWS) Oliver Dial (IBM Yorktown Heights) Mercedes Gimeno-Segovia (PsiQuantum) Helmut Katzgraber (AWS) Jarred McClean (Google Quantum) Marco Pistoia (JPMorgan Chase & Co.) Pedram Roushan (Google Quantum) Terry Rudolph (PhiQuantum) Simone Severini (AWS) Nathan Shammah (Unitary Fund)

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Five (5) working days. Dates: 12-16 September 2022

Sessions will be 9 am to 5 pm each day

How to apply:

Online application: https://qa.eaifr.org/?page_id=739

Registration:

see: qa.eaifr.org

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Extended Deadline:

31 August 2022