

# BOHEME-METAVEH joint workshop

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## About

Our aim is to have a joint workshop between two related FET Open grants about mechanical metamaterials. It will bring together researchers from across Europe and discuss the latest results obtained.

### BOHEME

Coordinator: **Università di Trento (IT)**; Politecnico di Torino (IT); Imperial College London (UK); CNRS (FR); Polish Academy of Science (PL); Università di Torino (IT); Multiwave Technologies AG (CH); EMPA (CH); ETH Zürich (CH); Phononics Vibes (IT).

The project 'BOHEME - Bio-Inspired Hierarchical MetaMaterials' is funded by the European Commission under the FET-Open scheme, grant n.863179.

The project started on 1st January 2020 and its duration is 48 months.

BOHEME's ambitious goal is to design and realize a new class of bioinspired mechanical metamaterials for novel applicative tools in diverse technological fields. Metamaterials exhibit exotic vibrational properties currently unavailable in Nature, and numerous important applications are emerging. However, universally valid design criteria are currently lacking, and their effectiveness is presently restricted to limited frequency ranges. BOHEME starts from an innovative assumption, increasingly supported by experimental evidence, that the working principle behind metamaterials is already exploited in Nature, and that through evolution, this has given rise to optimized designs for impact damping. The "fundamental science" part of the project aims to explore biological structural materials for evidence of this, to investigate novel optimized bioinspired designs (e.g. porous hierarchical structures spanning various length scales) using state-of-the-art analytical and numerical approaches, to design and manufacture vibrationally effective structures, and to experimentally verify their performance over wide frequency ranges. Through this disruptive approach, BOHEME will provide a pipeline to the technological development of a new class of bioinspired metamaterials in innovative applicative sectors over various wavelength scales, from nondestructive testing, to noise reduction, to low-frequency vibration control (including seismic), to coastal protection or energy harvesting from ocean waves. Industrial partners will provide know-how for proof of principle experiments and possible prototypes. The project is ambitious and inherently multidisciplinary, involving research in biology, mathematics, physics, materials science, structural and ocean engineering, drawing from scientific excellence of the partners. It involves theoretical, numerical and experimental aspects, and is a high-impact endeavour, from which basic science, EU industry and society can benefit.

Further information be found here https://r1.unitn.it/boheme/en/.

### METAVEH

Coordinator: **Zurich University of Applied Science (CH)**; Imperial College London (UK); Multiwave Technologies AG (CH); Politecnico di Milano (IT); ST Microelectronics.

METAVEH - Metamaterial Enabled Vibration Energy Harvesting - is funded by the European Commission under the FET-Open scheme, grant n.952039.

This project aims at realising innovative Lead-free electromechanical energy harvesting systems based on metamaterial wave focussing capacity; these will be easily transported, and installed, to power, in a clean and low-cost manner, autonomous wireless sensing devices thereby eliminating batteries and human intervention.

We bring together six partners with complementary expertise in mechanical metamaterial devices, piezoelectric and functional media, engineering focussed on sensors, data management all with the common goal of creating autonomous clean wireless sensors.

Vibration energy harvesting exploits ambient noise spectra to convert mechanical vibration into energy to power MEMS sensor and actuators in a large number of applications. MetaVEH will completely revisit the current complete harvesting system to make it drastically more efficient, sustainable, more portable and more integrated in a data-driven society.

Further information be found here https://www.metaveh.com/.

### Organizers

Benjamin Vial Richard Wiltshaw Richard Craster Andrea Colombi Nicola Pugno

# Timetable

### Thursday, 2 of November

8:30-9:15	Arrival and coffee		
9:15-9:30	Welcome remarks from the BOHEME and METAVEH coordinators		
9:30-10:00	Daniel Torrent	Bound states in the continuum in	
	University Jaume I	acoustic and elastic waveguides	
10:00-10:30	<b>Nicola Pugno</b> Universita di Trento	The BOHEME project	
10:30-11:00	Federico Maspero	Metastructures and functional	
	Politecnico di Milano	materials for MEMS	
11:00-11:15	Coffee break		
11:15-11:45	<b>Marco Miniaci</b> IEMN	Mode localisation in elastic media	
11.45 10.15	Rafaele Ardito	Metamaterials and MEMs for lead-free	
11:45-12:15	Politecnico di Milano	energy harvesting	
	Matteo Lorenzo	Attenuating surface gravity waves by	
12:15-12:45	Universita di Torino	an array of submerged resonators: an	
	Oniversita di Tornio	experimental study	
12:45-13:45	Lunch		
13:45-14:15	Fabio Nistri	Applications of acoustic metamaterials	
13.45-14.15	Politecnico di Torino	using space filling curves	
14:15-14:45	<b>Paolo Beoletto</b> Politecnico di Torino	Smart elastic meta-sensors	
	Jacopo Maria De Ponti	Graded metamaterials for wave	
14:45-15:15	Politecnico di Milano	trapping, mode conversion and	
		tailored edge states	
	Benjamin Vial	Electromechanical modelling and	
15:15-15:45	Imperial College London	optimisation of piezoelectric energy	
		harvesters by modal expansion	
15:45-16:00	Coffee break		
16:00-16:30	Aida Hejazi	Elastic wave control in reticulated	
10.00 10.00	ETH Zürich	plates utilising Schwarz primitive cells	
16:30-17:00	<b>Richard Wiltshaw</b>	Analytical solutions for Bloch waves in	
	Imperial College London	resonant phononic crystals	
17:00-17:30	Bryn Davies	Graded quasiperiodic metamaterials	
	Imperial College London	perform fractal rainbow trapping	
19:00		Dinner	

### Friday, 3 of November

9:00-9:30	Arrival and coffee	
	Federico Bosia - Antonio	Photo-responsive periodic structures
9:30-10:00	Gliozzi	for tunable wave filtering and topogical
	Politecnico di Torino	energy focusing
10:00-10:30		Time domain spectral element method
	Pawel Kudela	for large scale problems of nonlinear
	Polish academy of Sciences	guided wave propagation in
		metamaterial-enhanced structures
	Greg Chaplain	Zero Group Velocity Modes for
10:30-11:00	University of Exeter	Enhanced Energy Harvesting: Beyond
	Oniversity of Exeter	Nearest Neighbours
11:00-11:15	Coffee break	
11:15-11:45	Luca D'Alessandro	Mechanical metamaterials industrial
11.15-11.45	Phononic Vibes	applications actual and outlook
11:45-12:15	Henrik Thomsen	Immersive boundary experimentation
11.45-12.15	ETH Zürich	in Elastic waveguides
12:15-12:45	Andrea Colombi	Harnessing non-linearities in elastic
	Zürich University of Applied	metamaterials
	Sciences	metamateriais
12:45-13:45	Lunch	
13:45	End of workshop	

# List of Participants

Raffaele Ardito	Politecnico di Milano
Federico Bosia	Politecnico di Torino
Greg Chaplain	University of Exeter
Andrea Colombi	Zurich University of Applied Sciences
Richard Craster	Imperial College London
Luca D'Alessandro	Phononic Vibes
Bryn Davies	Imperial College London
Jacopo Maria De ponti	Politecnico di Milano
Evripides Georgiades	Imperial College London
Antonio Gliozzi	Politecnico di Torino
Sébastien Guenneau	Imperial College London
Aida Hejazi	ETH Zurich
Erik Orvehed Hiltunen	Yale University
Pawel Kudela	Polish academy of Sciences
Svetlana Kuznetsova	IEMN
Marc Marti	Imperial College London
Federico Maspero	Politecnico di Milano
Onorato Miguel	Universita di Torino
Matteo Lorenzo	Universita di Torino
Marco Miniaci	IEMN
Fabio Nistri	Politecnico di Torino
Beoletto Paolo	Politecnico di Torino
Nicola Pugno	Universita di Trento
Henry Putley	Imperial College London
Daniel Torrent	University Jaume I
Marie Touboul	Imperial College London
Benjamin Vial	Imperial College London
Richard Wiltshaw	Imperial College London
Henrik Thomsen	ETH Zürich

# **Useful Information**

**Talks** will be held at the **58 Prince's Gate**. Overlooking the leafy Prince's Gardens, this is an elegant Edwardian townhouse venue located opposite the College's main entrance on Exhibition Road, South Kensington, SW7 2PG. **Coffee breaks and lunches** will be offered in the venue.

Wi-Fi will be available during the conference. Imperial College London also provides access to an eduroam network.

The **conference dinner** will be held at the Ognisko Restaurant, 55 Exhibition Road, SW7 2PN, very close to the workshop venue.

### How to get to Imperial?

The nearest Underground station is South Kensington, on the District, Circle and Piccadilly lines.

• Plan your route with the Transport for London journey planner.

**From London City Airport** Take the DLR to Canning Town, then by Underground, Jubilee line to Green Park and the Piccadilly line to South Kensington (journey time 40 minutes).

#### From Heathrow airport

Heathrow Express, 15 mins to Paddington mainline station, then the Underground, Circle line to South Kensington.

Or take the Underground, Piccadilly Line to South Kensington station (50 minutes travelling time).

#### **From Gatwick airport**

Gatwick Express, 30 mins to Victoria mainline station, then by Underground, District or Circle lines to South Kensington.

Or take a national rail train to Victoria station (journey time 40 minutes) and then by Underground, Circle or District Line; westbound to South Kensington.

#### **From Stansted airport**

Stansted Express, 50 mins to Liverpool Street main line station, and then by Underground, Circle line to South Kensington.

Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted airports are some distance from London and a taxi is not recommended for the whole journey. However, if you have to travel by taxi, establish the cost before you get in.

#### By sea

Take a British Rail train from the port of entry to London (Harwich to London journey time 1hr

30 mins; Dover to London journey time up to 2hrs) and then travel by Underground to South Kensington Station.

#### On foot

From South Kensington Station, the campus is only a ten minute walk. Either follow the subway signposted to the museums or walk north up Exhibition Road. The College is next to the Science Museum.

#### By bus

South Kensington Campus is easily accessible by bus. A number of routes pass within easy walking distance of the campus.

• Transport for London bus route maps

#### By car

Car parking at South Kensington Campus is severely restricted and you are advised NOT to bring a car unless permission has been given. The car park is open to the public from 18.00 to Midnight on weekdays and from 08.00 to Midnight on weekends. Please note that overnight parking is not permitted. Parking in the streets surrounding the College is at pay and display or parking meters for limited periods only.

The postcode to use for satellite navigation to the South Kensington car park is SW7 2BX . Entry is via Exhibition Road.



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