

ICAME40 — FIRST CIRCULAR

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Université de Neuchâtel, Switzerland, June 1–5, 2019

Dear ICAMERs,

While Neuchâtel is covered in snow, preparations for the 40th ICAME 2019 are moving along. The decisions on the abstracts have been made, the presenters have been informed of those decisions, and the **registration is now open!**

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION & REVIEWING

Following a double-blind peer review of over 160 main conference submissions, we accepted 104 full papers and work-in-progress reports, 2 software demonstrations, and 12 posters. We would like to thank our Scientific Committee and the ICAME board for their excellent work and the constructive feedback to authors. The pre-conference workshops had separate reviewing and decision procedures.

Note: If you submitted an abstract, but have not received a notification, the decision letter was likely consumed by spam filters. You can check the status of your abstract in the submission system.

We also remind all early career researchers that entry for the John Sinclair Bursary closes on February 15 (extended). See <https://icame40.ch/sinclair-bursary/> for details.

VENUE

The conference will take place in the building of the **Faculté des lettres et sciences humaines (FLSH)** at the Université de Neuchâtel, directly on the shores of Lac Neuchâtel.

The train station (5–10 min) and the city centre (10–15 mins) are within walking distance. Most of Neuchâtel is built into a hill, but the conference venue is at lake-level, as is the city centre. The central station Neuchâtel Gare CFF is uphill, but connected to the University Swiss-style via a cable car (**Fun'ambule**). Hotel guests receive the **Neuchâtel Tourist Card**, which entitles you to free use of public transport in the Canton of Neuchâtel. See the conference website for more information on how to get around in Neuchâtel.

ACCOMMODATION

Neuchâtel is very small, but it will be able to welcome all ICAMERs. We have arranged reservations in the conference hotels listed on the website (tab "Accommodation"). The rooms are **blocked for ICAMERs until March 31** and can be booked via the booking system on the website. After April 1, bookings will be subject to general availability.

Note that some hotels only allow reservations via the booking system for the days of the conference (June 1–5); if the system gives you an error for selecting adjacent days, please contact the hotels directly and let them know you are an ICAME participant. However, some hotels *do* allow bookings adjacent days via the booking system (indicated on the website).

As the more convenient options will go fast, **we strongly recommend you book accommodation as soon as possible**. Additional suggestions are listed on the website. If you want to share accommodation and/or have room in your AirBnB, contact us at icame40@unine.ch or use #icame40 on Twitter to find potential flatmates.

COSTS

The conference fee includes all coffee breaks and lunches, the Welcoming Reception on Saturday (June 1), the Boat Trip on Monday (June 3), including a visit to the Laténium Museum, and the Gala Dinner on Tuesday (June 4).

The Early Bird Fee is **EUR 320** and is valid for payments received by March 31; the Regular Fee is **EUR 350** from April 1 onwards. Please note that it is not possible to opt out of the Gala Dinner and we cannot offer Day Passes.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

To register, please fill out the form at <https://icame40.ch/registration>.

Following the ICAME constitution of a maximum of 200 delegates, we ask presenters and attending board members to register at their earliest convenience, **preferably until the end of February**. Non-presenters may have to be put on a waiting list; we will indicate on the website and the registration form if and when there is a waiting list for non-presenters.

PAYMENT

We offer two payment options: **bank transfer** or **credit card**. Please indicate your choice during registration. The details for bank transfers are on the website (Tab “Registration”). The credit card option will be available very soon. If you select payment by credit card during registration, we will notify you by email once the system is online.

TRAVELLING TO NEUCHÂTEL

Neuchâtel is about two hours from touch down at Switzerland’s international airports in Basel, Geneva, and Zurich. The airports in Geneva and Zurich have train stations with direct connections to Neuchâtel. From Geneva, trains run hourly until about 9 pm (IC5, direct). From Zurich, trains run twice hourly until about 9.30 pm (IC5 direct or via Zurich Central). From Basel EuroAirport, take a shuttle bus to Basel SBB train station and hop on a train (IC51), which runs twice hourly until about 9.30 pm (change at Olten or Biel/Bienne to an IC5). Full fare tickets are CHF 50–60 one way from all airports; early bird fares are available online through sbb.ch.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Unlike other ICAMEs, ICAME40 will start on **Saturday** with the pre-conference workshops, which are included in the conference fee. The workshops will be followed later in the afternoon by the opening plenary and the Welcoming Reception. The days of the main conference (June 2–5) will begin with a plenary. A preliminary program will go online at the end of April.

The following speakers have accepted our invitation for plenary talks:

Joan Bybee (New Mexico)
Lisa Lim (Hong Kong / Sydney)
Monika Bednarek (Sydney)
Natalia Levshina (Leipzig)
Raj Mesthrie (Cape Town)

BOOK OF ABSTRACTS

We will be in touch with all presenters shortly with instructions for abstract revision. We will expect revisions by March 31.

SOCIAL PROGRAM

The traditional ICAME Boat Trip will take place on Monday June 3. We will have lunch on the boat at the harbour of Neuchâtel. The boat will then take us on a cruise on Lake Neuchâtel, and it will drop us off at the archeological park of the Laténium before bringing us back to the port.

The Gala Dinner will take place on Tuesday June 4 at the restaurant Max et Meuron.

CONTACT DETAILS // SOCIAL MEDIA

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at icame40@unine.ch. For more information, visit the conference website icame40.ch. Follow us on Twitter [@icame40](https://twitter.com/icame40) — the hashtag is [#icame40](https://twitter.com/icame40).

We look forward to seeing you in nøfatel in June!

The ICAME40 team