

# Bayesian Non Parametrics 12 Conference booklet

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# **About**

#### 12th International Conference on Bayesian Nonparametrics

Welcome to Oxford!

The Bayesian nonparametrics (BNP) conference is a bi-annual international meeting bringing together leading experts and talented young researchers working on applications and theory of nonparametric Bayesian statistics.

It is an official section meeting of the Bayesian nonparametrics section of the International Society for Bayesian Analysis (ISBA) and is co-sponsored by the Institute of Mathematical Statistics (IMS).

Attendees are expected to share our commitment to safeISBA, and to adhere to the ISBA code of conduct.

#### Scientific committee

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## **Sponsors**











# **Timetable**

KL: Keynote Lecture, IS: Invited Session, CS: Contributed Session.

The keynote talks, invited sessions and the BNP section meeting all take place in the lecture theatre 2 (L2) at the Mathematical Institute. The contributed sessions take place in L2 and L3.

## Sunday 23 June

19:00–21:30 Welcome Reception - Pitt Rivers Museum

### Monday 24 June

8:30-9:15	Registration		
9:15-9:30	Opening		
9:30-10:30	KL	Aad van der Vaart	Chair: R. Nickl
10:30-11:00		Coffee I	oreak
11:00-12:30	IS	BNP Computations I Sinead Williamson John Paisley Mike Hughes	Chair: E. Sudderth
12:30-14:00	Lunch		ch
14:00-15:30	IS	<b>High dimensions and sparsity</b> Yanxun Xu Kshitij Khare Roberto Casarin	Chair: C. Holmes
15:30–16:00	Coffee break		
16:00-17:30	CS	Asymptotics I Chair: S. van der Pas – Room: L2 G. Di Benedetto S. Ghosal C. Li S. Wang	Random measures & mixtures Chair: A. Ongaro – Room: L3 F. Ayed R. Giordano D. Kowal J. Lee
19:30-21:30	Poster session I		

## Tuesday 25 June

		Computational Methods	Asymptotics II
		Chair: V. Rao – Room: L2	Chair: S. Agapiou – Room: L3
		R. Corradin	M. Kasprzak
09:00-10:30	CS	A. Nishimura	H. Kekkonen
		R. Ryder	B. Ning
		G. Zanella	-
10:30-11:00		Coffee br	eak
		Asymptotics & credible sets	Chair: H. van Zanten
11:00-12:30	IS	Stephanie van der Pas	
11.00-12.50		Botond Szabo	
		Ismaël Castillo	
12:30-14:00		Lunch	
	IS	Foundational aspects	Chair: J. Griffin
14:00-15:30		Jared Murray	
14.00-15.50		Chris Holmes	
		Natalia Bochkina	
15:30-16:00		Coffee br	eak
		Dependence structures in BNP	Survival and healthcare data
16:00-17:30	CS	Chair: M. Ruggiero – Room: L2	Chair: F. Camerlenghi – Room: L3
		T. Campbell	F. Donaghy
		J. Palacios	S. Filippi
		F. Quintana	Y. Luo
		T. Rigon	A. Riva-Palacio
19:30-21:30		Poster sess	ion II

## Wednesday 26 June

9:00-10:00	KL	Tamara Broderick	Chair: P. Müller
10:00-10:30	Coffee break		
		Inverse problems	Chair: R. Nickl
		Andrew Stuart	
10:30-12:30	IS	Judith Rousseau	
		Kolyan Ray	
		Sergios Agapiou	
12:30-14:00		Lunch	
		Biostatistics	Chair: P. Müller
14:00-15:30	IS	Yang Ni	
14.00-13.30	15	George Karabatsos	
		Veera Baladandayuthapani	
15:30-16:00	Coffee break		
	CS	Prediction/Random partitions I	Time dependent modeling
		Chair: Y. Xu – Room: L2	Chair: R. Casarin – Room: L3
16:00-17:30		C. Balocchi	L. Cappello
10.00-17.30		F. Camerlenghi	G. Kon Kam King
		L. Elliott	R. Meyer
		R. Warr	X. Miscouridou
17:45-19:00	Bayesian Nonparametrics Section Meeting		
19:15-21:00		Junior ISBA reception	ı - Dept of Statistics

## Thursday 27 June

		BNP modeling & robustness	Prediction/Random partitions II
00.00.10.00		Chair: S. Wade – Room: L2	Chair: T. Savitsky – Room: L3
		A. Kottas	S. Deshpande
09:00-10:30	CS	J. Miller	A. Diana
		L.E. Nieto-Barajas	S. Favaro
		S. Tokdar	M. Zhang
10:30-11:00		Coffee br	eak
		Random measures & predictive	Chair: J. Lee
		inference	
11:00-12:30	IS	Mike West	
		Dario Spanó	
		Alejandro Jara	
12:30-14:00	Lunch		
	IS	BNP for discrete structures	Chair: S. MacEachern
14:00-15:30		Dan Roy	
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		Diana Cai	
15:30–16:00		Coffee br	eak
16:00–17:30	CS	Asymptotics III	BNP Applications
		Chair: K. Ray – Room: L2	Chair: Y. Ni – Room: L3
		E. Dolera	A. Avalos-Pacheco
		D. Li	M. Shiffman
		A. Norets	A. Sottosanti
		Z. Naulet	A. Verma
20:00-23:00		Conference dinner - La	dy Margaret Hall

# Friday 28 June

9:00-10:30	IS	BNP Computations II Terrance Savitsky Vinayak Rao Maria Kalli	Chair: C. Forbes
10:30-11:00			Coffee break
11:00-12:00	KL	Long Nguyen	Chair: I. Prünster
12:00-12:15			Closing

## List of Talks

## Monday 24 June Semiparametric Bayesian estimation, with or without bias Mo KL Aad Van der Vaart, Leiden University, Netherlands Distributed inference for Bayesian Nonparametrics Mo IS Sinead Williamson, University of Texas at Austin/Amazon, USA Population Random Measure Embedding Mo IS John Paisley, Columbia University, USA Scalable and Reliable Variational Inference for Dirichlet Process Clustering with Sparse Assignments Mo IS Michael C. Hughes, Tufts University, Medford, MA, USA Bayesian Estimation of Sparse Spiked Covariance Matrices in High Dimensions Mo IS Yanxun Xu, Johns Hopkins University, United States A Bayesian approach for joint estimation of multiple networks Mo IS Kshitij Khare, University of Florida, USA A Bayesian Approach for Inference on Probabilistic Surveys Mo IS Roberto Casarin, University Ca' Foscari of Venice, Italy Posterior contraction rates for Bayesian Functional Regression Mo CS Giuseppe Di Benedetto, University of Oxford, United Kingdom Coverage of credible intervals for monotone regression Mo CS Subhashis Ghoshal, North Carolina State University, USA Posterior Consistency of Tail Index for Bayesian Kernel Mixture Models Mo CS Cheng Li, National University of Singapore, Singapore Convergence rate results for PDE-constrained statistical inverse problems Mo CS **Sven Wang,** University of Cambridge, United Kingdom Double power law completely random measures with application to clustering Mo CS Fadhel Ayed, University of Oxford, UK Evaluating Sensitivity to the Stick Breaking Prior in Bayesian Nonparametrics Mo CS Ryan Giordano, UC Berkeley, USA Dynamic Shrinkage Processes Mo CS Daniel Kowal, Rice University, USA Arrival time augmentation for series representations of completely random measures Mo CS Juho Lee, AITRICS, Republic of Korea

Importance conditional sampler for nonparametric mixture models Tu CS

Riccardo Corradin, University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy

**Tuesday 25 June** 

Scalable Bayesian sparse survival analysis and generalized linear models via curvature-adaptive Hamiltonian Monte Carlo for high-dimensional log-concave distributions Tu CS Akihiko Nishimura, University of California - Los Angeles, USA
A Bayesian non-parametric methodology for inferring grammar complexity Tu CS Robin Ryder, Université Paris-Dauphine, France
Informed proposals for local MCMC in discrete spaces Tu CS Giacomo Zanella, Bocconi University, Italy
Probabilistic methods for proving error bounds in GP posterior approximation Tu CS Mikołaj Kasprzak, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg
Bernstein-von Mises Theorems for linear inverse problems Tu CS Hanne Kekkonen, University of Cambridge, UK
Bayesian high-dimensional analyses for a multivariate linear regression model and a sparse spiked-covariance model. Tu CS Bo Ning, Yale University, USA
Uncertainty quantification for survival analysis Tu IS Stéphanie van der Pas, Leiden University, The Netherlands
On distributed Bayesian computation Tu IS  Botond Szabo, Leiden University, Netherlands
On multiscale properties of some Bayesian tree methods Ismael Castillo, Sorbonne University, Paris, France
Recent developments in model specification, regularization, and summarization for nonparametric Bayesian models of heterogeneous treatment effects.  Jared Murray, UT Austin, USA
Bayesian nonparametric learning through randomized loss functions and posterior bootstraps Tu Christopher Holmes, University of Oxford, UK
Testing for model misspecification Tu IS  Natalia Bochkina, University of Edinburgh and the Alan Turing Institute, UK
Local Exchangeability Tu CS Trevor Campbell, UBC, Canada
Statistically efficient coalescent inference Tu CS  Julia Palacios, Stanford University, USA
Nonparametric Bayesian Modeling of Correlation Functions for Global Data Tu CS Fernando Quintana, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Chile
Bayesian inference for finite-dimensional discrete priors Tu CS Tommaso Rigon, Bocconi University, Italy
Dependent neutral-to-the-right priors for software reliability data Tu CS Fearghal Donaghy, Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland
Bayesian Non Parametric approaches for Survival analysis Tu CS Sarah Filippi, Imperial College London, UK
Clustering via Dirichlet Process Mixture Models for Trajectories with Fixed Effects Continuous- Time Hidden Markov Models Tu CS Yu Luo, McGill University, Canada

Survival analysis regression Tu CS Alan Riva-Palacio, University of Kent, United Kingdom Wednesday 26 June Title TBA We KL Tamara Broderick, MIT, USA Posterior Consistency In Large Graph Limits of Learning Algorithms We IS Andrew Stuart, California Institute of Technology, USA Mixtures and inverse or semi-parametric problems We IS Judith Rousseau, University of Oxford, UK Nonparametric Bayesian drift estimation for multidimensional diffusions We IS Kolyan Ray, Kings College London, United Kingdom Rates of contraction: some non-Gaussian priors and some nonlinear inverse problems We IS **Sergios Agapiou,** University of Cyprus, Cyprus Double Feature Allocation for Phenotyping with Electronic Health Records Data We IS Yang Ni, Texas A&M University, USA Fast Search for General Bayesian Nonparametric Mixture Models We IS George Karabatsos, University of Illinois-Chicago, U.S.A. Bayesian Nonparameteric Models for Richly Structured Data in Biomedicine We IS Veera Baladandayuthapani, University of Michigan, USA Clustering data at multiple resolutions We CS Cecilia Balocchi, University of Pennsylvania, US Bayesian prediction in feature models We CS Federico Camerlenghi, University of Milano - Bicocca and Collegio Carlo Alberto, Italy The Multidimensional Partitioning Tree Process We CS Lloyd T. Elliott, Simon Fraser University, Canada The Attraction Indian Buffet Distribution We CS Richard Warr, Brigham Young University, USA Bayesian nonparametric inference of population trajectories via Tajima heterochronous ncoalescent We CS Lorenzo Cappello, Stanford University, USA Computable inference for a class of non-linear state-space models We CS Guillaume Kon Kam King, University of Turin and Collegio Carlo Alberto, Italy Beyond Whittle: Nonparametric Correction of a Parametric Likelihood with a Focus on Bayesian Time Series Analysis We CS Renate Meyer, University of Auckland, New Zealand Modelling sparsity, heterogeneity, reciprocity and community structure in temporal interaction data We CS Xenia Miscouridou, University of Oxford, UK

#### Thursday 27 June

Approximate multiple shrinkage for clustered regressions Th CS Sameer Deshpande, CSAIL, MIT, USA A Hierarchical Dependent Dirichlet process prior for modelling bird migration patterns in the UK Th CS **Alex Diana**, University of Kent, UK A Bayesian nonparametric approach to disclosure risk assessment Th CS Stefano Favaro, University of Torino and Collegio Carlo Alberto, Italy A New Class of Time Dependent Latent Factor Models with Applications Th CS Michael Zhang, Princeton University, USA Bayesian Quantile Mixture Regression Th CS Athanasios Kottas, University of California, Santa Cruz, USA Flexible perturbation models for robustness to misspecification Th CS Jeffrey Miller, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, USA Projected Polya tree Th CS Luis Nieto-Barajas, ITAM, Mexico Joint Quantile Regression under Dependency Th CS Surya Tokdar, Duke University, USA Bayesian Predictive Synthesis Th IS Mike West, Duke University, USA Dualities and genealogies for time-dependent nonparametric models The IS Dario Spanó, University of Warwick, United Kingdom Models for related probability measures on nonstandard domains Th IS Alejandro Jara, Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile, Chile Nonstandard Nonparametrics Th IS Daniel Roy, University of Toronto and Vector Institute, Ontario, Canada Bayesian aspects of preferential attachment networks Th IS Peter Orbanz, Columbia University, USA A Bayesian Nonparametric View on Count-Min Sketch Th IS Diana Cai, Princeton University, USA A Berry-Esseen theorem for Pitman's  $\alpha$ -diversity Th CS Emanuele Dolera, University of Pavia, Italy Density Estimation with Mixture of Spherelets Th CS Didong Li, Duke University, USA Adaptive Bayesian Estimation of Mixed Discrete-Continuous Distributions under Smoothness and Sparsity Th CS Andriy Norets, Brown University, USA Asymptotic analysis of the posterior distribution in the Caron and Fox model Th CS **Zacharie Naulet,** University of Toronto, Canada Cross-study Bayesian Factor Regression Analysis in High-dimensional Biological Data Th CS Alejandra Avalos-Pacheco, Princeton University, USA

Reconstructing probabilistic trees of cellular differentiation from single-cell RNA-seq data Th CS Miriam Shiffman, MIT & Broad Institute, USA
Astronomical source detection and background separation via hierarchical Bayesian nonparametric mixtures Th CS Andrea Sottosanti, University of Padova, Italy
Robust, Nonparametric Manifold Learning for Single Cell RNA Sequencing The CS Archit Verma, Princeton University, USA
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Bayesian Pseudo Posterior Synthesis for Data Privacy Protection Fr IS  Terrance Savitsky, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, USA
Nonparametric mixture modeling on constrained spaces Fr IS  Vinayak Rao , Purdue University, USA
Bayesian nonparametric methods for analysing macroeconomic time series Fr IS Maria Kalli, University of Kent, UK
Posterior contraction of parameters and interpretability in Bayesian mixture modeling Fr KL

Long Nguyen, University of Michigan, USA

## **List of Posters**

#### Monday 24 June

Geometric Sensitivity Measures for Bayesian Nonparametric Density Estimation Models Mo PS Abhijoy Saha, The Ohio State University, USA Cross-study Bayesian Factor Regression Analysis in High-dimensional Biological Data Mo PS Alejandra Avalos-Pacheco, Harvard Medical School, USA Bayesian nonparametric modeling for large spatio-temporal data: an application to mobile networks Mo PS Alessandra Guglielmi, Politecnico di Milano, Italy Population Random Measure Embedding: A Genetic Method for Discrete Random Measures, via Distributional Symmetry Mo PS **Aonan Zhang,** Columbia University, United States Nonparametric Bayesian Functional Regression with application to shot put data Mo PS Alessandro Lanteri, University of Turin, Italy Optimize, Learn, Sample Mo PS Alfredo Garbuno-Inigo, Caltech, US Investigating a Bayesian semi-parametric model for the study of synergistic interaction effects in in-vitro drug combination experiments Mo PS Andrea Cremaschi, Universitetet i Oslo, Norway On posterior contraction of parameters and interpretability in Bayesian mixture modeling Mo PS Aritra Guha, University of Michigan, USA Closed Form Bayesian Filtering for Multivariate Binary Time Series Mo PS Augusto Fasano, Bocconi University, Milan, Italy A nonparametric Bayesian prediction approach for modelling small data Mo PS Azizur Rahman, Charles Sturt University, Australia Poisson Process Radial Basis Bayesian Neural Networks Mo PS Beau Coker, Harvard University, USA Models for Networks with Core-Periphery Structure Mo PS Cian Naik, University of Oxford, United Kingdom Dependent Random Measures Indexed by a Functional Covariate Mo PS **Emmanuel Bernieri**, University of Edinburgh, Scotland Generalised Polya urn for a class of dependent Dirichlet Processes Mo PS Filippo Ascolani, University of Torino and Collegio Carlo Alberto, Italy Sparse Spatial Random Graphs Mo PS **Francesca Panero**, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

Modeling Human Microbiome Data via Latent Nested Nonparametric Priors Mo PS Francesco Denti, University of Milan-Bicocca, Italy and Università della Svizzera italiana, Switzerland Joint Species Distribution Modelling: Dimension reduction using Bayesian nonparametric priors Mo PS Giovanni Poggiato, Inria (Grenoble INP), France, Hybrid BNP priors for clustering Mo PS Giovanni Rebaudo, Bocconi University, Italy Non-echangeable prior for feature models, a generalization of the three-parameter Indian Buffet Process Mo PS Giuseppe Di Benedetto, University of Oxford, United Kingdom Some developments of the generalized species sampling sequences Mo PS Hristo Sariev, Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi, Italy Nonparametric temporal sequence alignment Mo leva Kazlauskaite, University of Bath, UK Monotonic random processes Mo (PS) Ivan Ustyuzhaninov, University of Tübingen, Germany Improving Inference for the Non-Stationary Contextual Bandit via Iterative Moment-Matching Algorithms Mo PS **Jack McKenzie,** The University of Manchester, UK Posterior contraction of non-parametric Bayesian inference on non-homogeneous Poisson processes Mo PS James Grant, Lancaster University, UK Detection of common-variance subspace and its application to classification Mo Jiae Kim, The Ohio State University, USA A Generalization of Hierarchical Exchangeability on Trees to Directed Acyclic Graphs Mo PS Jiho Lee, KAIST, South Korea Bayesian semi-parametric density estimation for nonregular models Mo PS Johan Van Der Molen Moris, University of Edinburgh, UK Bayesian non-parametric methods for malware classification Mo Jose Antonio Perusquia Cortes, University of Kent, UK Bayesian nonparametric priors for hidden Markov random fields: Application to image segmentation Mo PS Julyan Arbel, Inria Grenoble Rhône-Alpes, France Bayesian Nonparametric Unsupervised Concept Drift Detection for Data Stream Mining Mo PS Junyu Xuan, University of Technology Sydney, Australia Post-Processed Posteriors for Band-Structured Covariances Mo PS Kwangmin Lee, Seoul National University, South Korea Consistent reconstruction of electrical impedance tomography images Mo PS

Kweku Abraham, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

#### **Tuesday 25 June**

Policymaking and Statistical Estimates: A Bayesian Decision-Analytic Model for a Binary Outcome Tu PS Akisato Suzuki, University College Dublin, Ireland Multiple kernel learning with structured Gaussian processes: an application to drug interaction prediction Tu PS **Leiv Rønneberg**, University of Oslo, Norway A Bayesian nonparametric testing procedure for paired samples Tu PS Luis Gutierrez, Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile, Chile Bayesian neural network priors at the level of units Tu PS Mariia Vladimirova, Inria Grenoble Rhone-Alpes, France Bayesian Nonparametric Vector Auto Regressive models via a logit stick-breaking prior Tu PS Mario Beraha, Politecnico di Milano and Universita degli Studi di Bologna, Italy Measuring the sensitivity to prior specification for time-to-event data through the Wasserstein distance Tu PS Marta Catalano, Bocconi University, Italy Turing.jl: Probabilistic programming with discrete random probability measures. Tu PS Martin Trapp, Graz University of Technology, Austria Bayesian nonparametric graphical models for time-varying parameters VAR Tu PS Matteo Iacopini, Cao Foscari University of Venice & Scuola Normale Superiore of Pisa, Italy A Data-driven Posterior for Uncertainty Exploration in Bayesian Variable Selection via Hopfield Networks Tu PS Matteo Vestrucci, University of Texas at Austin, USA Fast Bayesian Hazard Regression Under General Censoring via Monotone P-Splines Tu PS Matthias Kaeding, RWI - Leibniz Institute for Economic Research, Germany Updating Variational Bayes for Online Inference of a Dirichlet Process Mixture Tu PS Nathaniel Tomasetti, Monash University, Australia Bayesian Nonparametrics for Circular Statistics and Density Estimation on Compact Metric Spaces Tu PS Olivier Binette, University of Quebec at Montreal, Canada Efficient Bayesian shape-restricted function estimation with constrained Gaussian process prior Pallavi Ray, Texas A&M University, USA Whittle approximation for locally stationary time series Tu PS Patricio Maturana-Russel, University of Auckland, New Zealand Modeling data in simplexes Tu PS Rayleigh Lei, University of Michigan, USA Generalized modes in Bayesian inverse problems Tu PS Remo Kretschmann, Universität Duisburg-Essen, Germany Hierarchical Species Sampling Models Tu PS Roberto Casarin, University Ca' Foscari of Venice, Italy

Bayesian Non-Parametric Inference for Stochastic Epidemic Models Tu PS Rowland Seymour, University of Nottingham, UK
Evaluating Sensitivity to the Stick Breaking Prior in Bayesian Nonparametrics Tu PS Ryan Giordano, UC Berkeley, USA
Bayesian Varying Coefficients Models Based on Gaussian Process Priors Tu PS Sanvesh Srivastava, The University of Iowa, USA
Bayesian Hierarchical Modeling on Covariance Valued Data Tu PS Satwik Acharyya, Texas A&M University, USA
Bayesian Quadrature with BART for Bayesian Survey Design Tu PS Seth Flaxman, Imperial College London, UK
Variable Selection Consistency of Gaussian Process Regression Tu PS Sheng Jiang, Duke University, USA
A Bayesian Estimation of Panel Stochastic Frontier Models with Determinants of Persistent and Transient Inefficiencies in Both Location and Scale Parameters  Tu  PS  Sheng-Kai Chang, National Taiwan University, Taiwan
Towards a Bayesian nonparametric genome-wide association study Tu PS Shijia Wang, Simon Fraser University, Canada
Bayesian cumulative shrinkage for infinite factorizations Tu PS Sirio Legramanti, Bocconi University, Italy
Bernstein von Mises theorems for general stick-breaking process priors. Tu PS Stefan Franssen, Leiden University, The Netherlands
Bayesian inference for multivariate extremes Tu PS Stefano Rizzelli, EPFL, Switzerland
Challenges and proposals for Dirichlet process mixture models with Gaussian kernels   Wei Jing, University of St Andrews, UK
Variational Nonparametric Discriminant Analysis Tu PS Weichang Yu, University of Sydney, Australia
A Bayesian Nonparametric Spiked Process Prior for Dynamic Model Selection Tu PS Weixuan Zhu, Xiamen University, China
EP-IS: Combining expectation propagation and importance sampling for Bayesian nonlinear inverse problems Tu PS Willem van den Boom, National University of Singapore, Singapore
Human Behaviour Analysis Through Probabilistic Modelling of GPS Data  Tu  PS  Yazan Qarout, Aston University, UK

## **Useful Information**

#### Orientation

All the talks and poster sessions will be held on the mezzanine floor (-1 level) of the Mathematical Institute (MI), Andrew Wiles Building, Woodstock Road, Oxford.

The **registration desk** will be located on the mezzanine floor (-1 level) of the Mathematical Institute. It will be open from 8:30am on Monday 24 June, and after that during the conference hours. Please collect your badge there when you arrive. Badges should be worn at all time to have access to the conference sessions.

**Keynote talks, invited sessions** and the **Bayesian Nonparametrics Section Meeting** will be held in the lecture theatre 2 (L2). **Contributed sessions** will be held in the lecture theatres 2 (L2) and 3 (L3). **Tea and Coffee breaks** will be offered on the mezzanine floor outside the lecture theatres.

**Poster sessions** will be held on Monday and Tuesday evening on the mezzanine floor. Drinks and nibbles will be served during the poster session.

#### Social events

The **welcome reception** on Sunday evening will be held at the Pitt Rivers Museum. The access is via the Pitt Rivers Museum's South Entrance in Robinson Close, off South Parks Road.

The **conference dinner** on Thursday evening will be held at Lady Margaret Hall, (Norham Gardens, Oxford OX2 6QA) one of Oxford's colleges. Please bring your dinner voucher to the conference dinner.

Two **walking tours** of Oxford are organised on Wednesday evening, starting at 7:30pm or 8pm. Bookings can be made at the registration desk. They are free of charge but the number of places is limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

A **Junior ISBA reception** will be organised on Wednesday evening from 7:15pm to 9pm in the Department of Statistics, 24-29 St-Giles, Oxford. The reception is intended for students or researchers within 5 years of having completed their degree. Non ISBA members are very welcome to attend.

#### Lunches and dinner

Lunches and dinners (except the conference dinner on Thursday evening for attendants who took that option) are not included in the conference fees. The Café is a cafeteria situated on the Mezzanine floor of the MI, open from 8:30-16:15 Monday to Friday. Close to the venue, you will find a number of sandwich places on Woodstock Road next to the junction with Little Clarendon Street, and various restaurants in Little Clarendon Street, Walton street or North parade Avenue. Some restaurants will be offering discounts to BNP12 delegates on a la carte menus, when shown your conference badge (Café Rouge 40%, Browns 20%, Carluccios 20%).

#### Wifi

Eduroam is available at the Mathematical Institute and all over the University of Oxford. https://www.eduroam.org/

Attendees who do not have access to Eduroam can access the internet using The Cloud network. 1/ Select "\_The Cloud" from the available network list. 2/ Open your internet browser, the venue landing page will appear. 3/ If this is your first time using The Cloud Wifi network, follow the simple one-time registration process.

#### Information for speakers and poster presenters

**Talks.** Please bring your presentation on a USB stick and upload it on the lecture room's computer at least 15 min before the start of the session. Each invited talk has a 30 min slot, including floor discussion. Each contributed talk has a 22 min slot, including floor discussion.

**Posters.** The poster format is A0 portrait. Please hang your poster before the poster session (you are scheduled either on Monday or Tuesday), and remove it by 10am the next day. There will be poster prizes for the best posters in the categories "Theory and Methods" and "Applications", awarded by the scientific committee.

#### **Childcare**

A childcare service is provided by Little Hens Childcare during the conference, and located at the Mathematical Institute. The service requires prior booking, but places may still be available.

#### **Mobility**

To reach the lecture theatres (for those who cannot manage stairs): pass through the large glass doors nearest reception and access the lifts to go to the mezzanine (-1) level. The reception staff can release the door lock. The doors are not powered.

To reach the lower levels of the lecture theatres there are individual platform lifts located down corridors alongside the theatre - as these lifts are 'behind the scenes' you will need to be escorted to them. Please arrange access via the conference organisers or otherwise ask MI reception staff.

#### Quiet room

There is a quiet room that can be used for those wishing to breastfeed if they would like. Please ask the conference desk (mezzanine floor), or the MI reception (ground floor).



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