Information Bulletin #2
September 10, 2007
To: Participants of B-L International Workshop at LBNL,
September 20-22, 2007

this information is also posted on the Workshop website
http://inpa.lbl.gov/blnv/blnv.htm

Dear Participant,

REGISTRATION IS IMPORTANT.
Workshop website provides access to on-line registration until Sept. 15. Registration is required for the access to Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory where Workshop will take place. Registration fee for those who register before September 15, 2007 is $150. To register after September 15th, send an email to Cathy Thompson (conference secretary) <cathompson@lbl.gov>. After September 15, fee will be $200, payable at the workshop.

WORKSHOP VENUE is the Auditorium in Building 50 at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, One Cyclotron Road, Berkeley, California, 94720-8158 U.S.A. For map of Lab site with locations of buildings and parking, see http://www.lbl.gov/Workplace/site-access/parking/map.html

LODGING IN BERKELEY
See workshop website http://inpa.lbl.gov/blnv/blnv.htm for lodging options. Due to CAL football that weekend, lodging in Berkeley is becoming scarce. There are no rooms blocked at any local hotels, but they may still offer an LBNL rate, if asked. However, they often limit the number of rooms available at that price. Hotel reservations can be made via web or by phone. If you need advice or assistance with the hotel reservation, please contact Cathy Thompson (conference secretary) <CAThompson@lbl.gov> or call her phone number 1-(510)-486-5074.

HOW TO REACH BERKELEY FROM AIRPORT
All the information on how to reach Berkeley from both Oakland or San Francisco airports by car, commercial shuttle or BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit) can be found on the LBNL website at http://www.lbl.gov/Workplace/Transportation.html.

TRANSPORTATION TO LBNL AND SITE ACCESS
All registered participants will be on the Site Access list. Photo ID is required. Non-US citizens should have passport or green card. In addition to the normal Lab Shuttle service (http://www.lbl.gov/Workplace/Facilities/Support/Busses/off-site.html), there will be a special event shuttle bus each morning and evening of the workshop between the Lab and various sites. Pickup in the morning will be at the Doubletree Hotel (7:20am), the Durant Hotel (7:45am), the Berkeley BART station (7:35am) and the French Hotel (7:45am). Those staying at the Beau Skye Hotel and Berkeley City Club should board the bus at the Durant Hotel. Participants staying at the Travelodge,

Downtown Berkeley Inn and Rodeway Inn should board bus at Berkeley BART. If you prefer to drive to the lab, you will be issued a parking permit at the front gate and directed to parking lots near the 50 auditorium.

WIRELESS NETWORK CONNECTION
Auditorium in Building 50 is equipped with wireless networking. The network is "open" which means that in most cases a laptop computer with a wireless card will connect. Set your wireless client to "default" or "any". There are very limited electrical outlets available in the Auditorium, so battery may be necessary.

SOCIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES
Reception on Thursday evening at 6:30pm, immediately following the session. Banquet on Friday evening at 7:00pm. Both events will be held at the LBNL cafeteria. Tickets for accompanying persons can be paid for at registration the morning of Sept. 20 at a cost of $20.00 for reception and $50.00 for the banquet.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO SPEAKERS

o Most recent version of Workshop program is posted on the Workshop website http://inpa.lbl.gov/blnv/blnv.htm. Please follow the link "Program". Please contact Organizing Committee members for questions and/or suggested program modifications.

o All speakers are kindly asked to email their presentations in electronic form to Cathy Thompson (conference secretary) <CAThompson@lbl.gov> before the beginning of Workshop. Organizating Committee would like to have all talks electronically available at LBL by Wednesday September 19 for organized presentations and prompt web posting.

o All workshop presentations will be performed in electronic form (NO overhead projector) using workshop computer projectors. Speakers will not be allowed to use their own computers. There will be responsible students for each session who will collect and upload all presentations to the workshop computers before each session. Two platforms will be provided:
Windows XP and MAC OS. All presentation will be loaded to the presentation computers prior each session. During the break or before your session please make sure that your presentation is properly loaded and works correctly. If your talk is on the overhead transparencies, please scan your talk transparencies on a color scanner and send pdf files to Cathy Thompson; they will be converted to electronic form for presentation.

o Organizing Committee plans to post all workshop talks on the website immediately after each presentation session. We hope that all speakers will assist us with this goal by providing their talk files prior to presentation.

o Workshop program is very dense, we will have ~60 talks during 3 days of workshop presented at plenary sessions (no parallel sessions). All talks at workshop are 20-minutes

long. Note that 20-min time includes also the time for questions and answers. Organizing Committee think that 20-min time allocation per talk should not be a severe restriction for the focused presentations addressing the scope of Workshop.

o Organizing Committee does NOT plan to publish workshop materials in the form of paper proceedings. Instead, all participants are encouraged to post their presentations individually at ArXiv as a "talk presented at LBL Workshop". However, all talks will be available on the Workshop website. Also, CD copy of all workshop presentations will be e-mailed to all participants shortly after the workshop.

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