

**14–18 July 2025**Scottish Exhibition Centre Glasgow UK

We are delighted to invite you to participate in the joint **24th International Conference on General Relativity and Gravitation** & the **16th Edoardo Amaldi Conference on Gravitational Waves**. Held from 14–18 July 2025 in Glasgow, Scotland, GR24—Amaldi16 will be organised by the Institute of Gravitational Research, University of Glasgow, and the Institute of Physics.

GR24 is the latest in the series of triennial international conferences held under the guidance of the International Society on General Relativity and Gravitation. It is the principal international meeting for scientists working in all areas of relativity and gravitation and last held in the UK in 1965 (London).

The Edoardo Amaldi Conference on Gravitational Waves is organised every two years under the guidance of the Gravitational Wave International Committee. It is the principal international meeting for scientists working in all areas of gravitational-wave science and last held in the UK in 2011 (Cardiff).

The programme will feature exciting keynote lectures, parallel sessions covering a full breadth of topics (see below), contributed talks ensuring a wide focus and inclusion of the most exciting science, and posters. There will also be an Early Career Workshop (10—12 July), Wikipedia Edit-a-thon (13 July), and public engagement activities including a free Public Lecture.

This meeting will attract academics, leaders from space agencies, and science educators, bringing together experts from across classical and quantum gravity, mathematical and applied relativity, gravitational-wave instrumentation and data-analysis, and multi-messenger astronomy. Attendees at this meeting will be primarily research scientists, with a high proportion (>30%) of early career researchers invited to present results, network, and learn about the latest breakthrough discoveries. This is the biggest and highest-profile meeting within this international field, and we expect 1000 participants from across the globe.

Additionally, this meeting will be a special celebration as 2025 is the 10th anniversary of the first observation of gravitational waves (awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics in 2017): a discovery that Glasgow and UK scientists made significant contributions to, both in pioneering detector technologies and developing analysis algorithms. Therefore, we expect greater engagement from both the international community and the media because of this.

2025 also marks the International Year of Quantum Science and Technology (IQST), which recognises 100 years since the development of quantum mechanics. The greatest frontier of quantum science is its unification with gravity, one of the topics that we will be exploring at this conference, with sessions on theoretical developments in quantum gravity and discussions of its potential experimental signatures. There will also be sessions discussing topics related to the cutting-edge application of quantum technologies to experimental physics, e.g., for precision measurements from laser and atom interferometers.

Companies working in all related areas including space, mathematical software, computing services and hardware, optics, lasers, imaging, precision measurement, etc., are invited to support this event and raise their profile both nationally and internationally.

Join us at GR24—Amaldi16 to explore how gravitational physics advances fundamental science, inspires technological innovation, and contributes to our understanding of the Universe.

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## **Meeting Topics**

**A3** Classical GR: Classical GR: Alternative and modified theories Theoretical developments Mathematical developments of gravity **B3 B1 B2** Numerical relativity Relativistic astrophysics Approximations, perturbation theory, and their applications **B4 C1 C2** Terrestrial gravitational wave Cosmology: **Gravitational-wave astronomy** Theory and observations through pulsar timing astronomy: Searches, data analysis and (including gravitational waves) parameter estimation **C4 C5 C**3 Progress and challenges Concept and research **Space-based detectors** in terrestrial detector towards next-generation terrestrial detectors instrumentation **C**6 **C8** Building the community: Gravitational waves and Multi-messenger astronomy fundamental physics of gravitational wave sources Education, outreach, DEI and career development **C9** C10 **D1 Experimental gravitation** Experimental tests of the Loop quantum gravity nature of compact objects and spin foams **D2 D3 D4** Quantum fields in curved **Gravitational aspects** Causal sets, causal dynamical of string theory triangulations, non-commutative space-time, semiclassical gravity, geometry, asymptotic safety, and other quantum gravity phenomenology, approaches to quantum gravity and analogue models

Skills development, principally for early career researchers. The meeting will provide opportunities for knowledge exchange, networking, and specific training in technical topics (such as applications of machine learning and computational modelling) and soft skills (such as effective presentation and career planning).

Promote innovation, share knowledge, and support research and development in a range of academic fields connected to the conference.

Reinforce the UK's longhistory of leading gravitational science, both highlighting current research to the international community and sharing discoveries.



Raise awareness of the capabilities of UK science, and its long history of punching above its weight within gravitational-wave science.

Showcase the capabilities of UK industry, e.g., in supporting space-based scientific missions such as delivering the optical bench for the LISA mission or developing new optical coatings for the LIGO gravitational-wave observatories.

Gravity provides a unique means of studying our Universe. Gravitational waves allow us to study the most extreme environments across the cosmos, the creation of heavy elements and the strange matter that makes upon neutron stars. Gravimetry allows us to study our dynamic planet, charting changing water levels and monitoring volcanic activity.

Strengthening international collaboration on both small scale (inter-university) research projects and large, billion-pound international research infrastructure (e.g., the space-based LISA mission, and the next-generation of ground-based gravitational-wave detectors).

## **Sponsorship**

With a range of different packages available, sponsorship provides an excellent opportunity to meet with existing customers and attract new ones, recruit highly trained scientists, and show your support of this this vibrant growing community. Each package helps enhance your company's reputation within the scientific community and among research funders.

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- Manufacturers or agents providing equipment, instruments or components associated with areas of experimental
  physics (including laser optics and interferometry, thin-film coatings, metrology, imaging, sensors, accelerometry,
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  working in lab consumables.
- Manufacturers or vendors providing computing hardware for use in research or education, particularly those supporting machine-learning applications, high-performance computing or high-throughput computing.
- Publishers working in the scientific community including those in scientific education and science communication.
- Employers of science graduates. Attendees will have a range of expertise, from designing and commissioning precision experiments to mathematical modelling and statistical inference using noisy data.

### **Sponsorship Packages:**

### Platinum Sponsor: £7500 + VAT

- Three complimentary registrations (to include refreshments and lunch throughout the conference, the Welcome Reception at the Glasgow Science Centre on Monday 14 July, Poster Reception on Tuesday 15 July, and the Conference Dinner on Thursday 17 July)
- VIP seats at the Public Lecture on Wednesday 16 July
- Link to your company brochure on the conference website
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- A4 full colour advert in the digital book of abstracts
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#### Plus, one of the following (or one of the options for gold or silver sponsorship):

- **Option A:** Eco-Friendly Welcome Packs (include your logo on the front of the delegate bags)
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- **Option D:** Public Lecture on Wednesday 18 July (include your logo on the Lecture programme, and feature as sponsoring the Lecture in the Conference programme)

#### Gold Sponsor: £5000 + VAT

- Two complimentary registrations (to include refreshments and lunch throughout the conference, the Welcome Reception at the Glasgow Science Centre on Monday 14 July, Poster Reception on Tuesday 15 July, and the Conference Dinner on Thursday 17 July)
- Link to your company brochure on the conference website
- Show video content on the website (maximum 3 minutes)
- 200-words profile on the conference website
- Logo and Social Media links
- A tabletop stand held alongside refreshments and the posters.
- A4 full colour advert in the digital book of abstracts
- Your logo will feature on the recorded presentations, which will be freely accessible online post event
- Opportunity to promote job adverts in the lead up to the Conference (on the website) and on a jobs board at the event (Unlimited)

#### Plus, one of the following (or one of the options for silver sponsorship):

- **Option E:** Poster Reception on Tuesday 15 July (include your logo on strut cards which will be displayed alongside the catering during the Reception, and feature as sponsoring the Reception in the Conference programme)
- **Option F:** Sponsor a Plenary Session (include your company name within the Conference programme, and feature your logo on the slides shown at the beginning of the Session)
- **Option G:** Sponsor a Lunch Break (include your logo on strut cards which will be displayed alongside the catering, and feature as sponsoring the Break in the Conference programme).

#### Silver Sponsor: £2500 + VAT

- One complimentary registration (to include refreshments and lunch throughout the conference, the civic reception at the Science Centre on Monday 14 July, Poster Reception on Tuesday 15 July and the Conference Dinner on Thursday 17 July)
- Link to your company brochure on the conference website
- Show video content on the website (maximum 2 minutes)
- 150-words profile on the conference website
- Logo and Social Media links
- A tabletop stand held alongside refreshments and the posters
- Half A4 full colour advert in the digital book of abstracts
- Your logo will feature on the recorded presentations, which will be freely accessible online post event
- Opportunity to promote job adverts in the lead up to the Conference (on the website) and on a jobs board at the event (Unlimited)

#### Plus, one of the following:

- **Option H:** Sponsor a day's Refreshment Breaks (include your logo on strut cards which will be displayed alongside the Refreshment Breaks, and feature as sponsoring the Break in the Conference programme)
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#### Virtual Sponsor: £750 + VAT

- Link to your company brochure on the conference website
- 100-word profile on your organisation and the services offered
- Logo and Social Media links on the website
- Half A4 full colour advert in the digital book of abstracts

# Additional Sponsorship Options (either standalone, or in combination with any of the above)

#### Sponsorship of the Early Career Workshop £500 + VAT

- Held before the main Conference on 10–12 July, this Workshop will bring together 150 early career scientists (graduate students and postdoctoral researchers) for specialist training, skills development, and networking.
   Sponsorship provides a unique opportunity to support the next generation of scientists and demonstrate a commitment to personal development
  - Logo and Social Media links on the website
  - Opportunity to promote job adverts at this event (Unlimited)
  - Include your logo on strut cards which will be displayed alongside the Refreshment Breaks
  - Feature as sponsoring the Workshop in the Conference programme

#### Sponsorship of the Wikipedia Edit-a-thon £300 + VAT

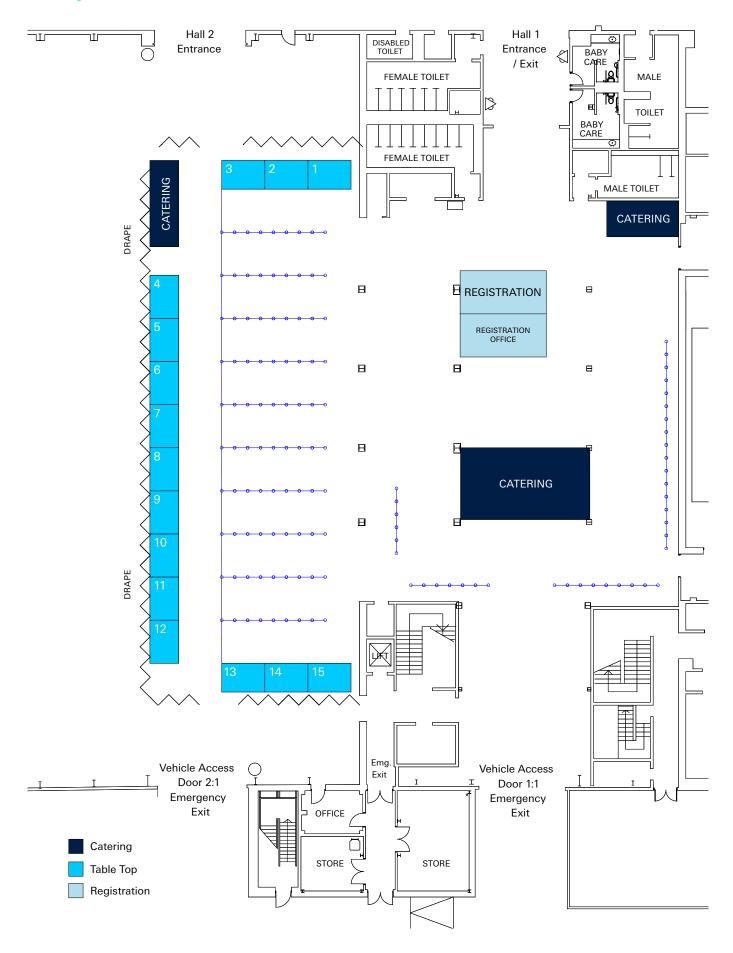
- Held between the Early Career Workshop and the main Conference on 13 July, this event will bring together
  Conference attendees and undergraduate students from the University of Glasgow to create and update
  Wikipedia articles related to the conference's science, in particular biographies for scientists from demographics
  underrepresented in science. Sponsorship provides a unique opportunity to support public dissemination of
  knowledge and demonstrate a commitment to promoting diversity, equality and inclusion in science
  - Logo and Social Media links on the website
  - Opportunity to promote job adverts at this event (Unlimited)
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  - Feature as sponsoring the Edit-a-thon in the Conference programme

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