

## TIME TABLE

TIME	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	June 30	July 1	July 2	July 3	July 4
09.00 - 09.45	Registration	Ganghoffer	Reda	Picu	Placidi
09.45 - 10.30	Dirrenberger	Ganghoffer	Reda	Picu	Placidi
11.00 - 11.45	Dirrenberger	Ganghoffer	Siegmund	Picu	Placidi
11.45 - 12.30	Dirrenberger	Ganghoffer	Siegmund	Picu	Placidi
14.00 - 14.45	Dirrenberger	Reda	Siegmund	Picu	
14.45 - 15.30	Dirrenberger	Reda	Siegmund	Picu	
16.00 - 16.45	Ganghoffer	Reda	Siegmund	Placidi	
16.45 - 17.30	Ganghoffer	Reda	Siegmund	Placidi	
18.00	Welcome aperitif				

## ADMISSION AND ACCOMMODATION

The course is offered in a hybrid format, allowing participants the flexibility to attend either in person or remotely via the Microsoft Teams platform. Admission to on-site attendance is granted on a first-come, first-served basis to comply with the capacity of the lecture room.

### Registration fees:

- **Early Bird On-Site Participation: € 650.00 + VAT\***

Deadline: April 30, 2025

- **Late On-Site Participation: € 800.00 + VAT\***

Deadline: June 17, 2025

- **Live Streaming Online Participation: € 250.00 + VAT\***

Deadline: June 17, 2025

On-site participation includes a complimentary bag, five fixed menu buffet lunches, hot beverages, downloadable lecture notes.

Online participation includes downloadable lecture notes.

Application forms should be submitted online through the website: <http://www.cism.it>. A confirmation message will be sent to participants whose applications are accepted.

Upon request, and subject to availability, a limited number of on-site participants can be accommodated at the CISM Guest House for € 35 per person per night. To request accommodation, please contact [foresteria@cism.it](mailto:foresteria@cism.it).

\* where applicable; bank charges are not included - Italian VAT is 22%.

## CANCELLATION POLICY

Applicants may cancel their registration and receive a full refund by notifying the CISM Secretariat in writing (via email) no later than:

- April 30, 2025, for early bird on-site participation;
- May 30, 2025, for late on-site participation;
- June 17, 2025, for online participation.

No refunds after the deadlines. Cancellation requests received before these deadlines and incorrect payments will be subject to a € 50.00 handling fee.

## CISM GRANTS

A limited number of participants from universities and research centers who do not receive support from their institutions can request a waiver of the registration fee and/or free lodging. Requests should be sent to the CISM Secretariat by **April 30, 2025**, along with the applicant's curriculum vitae and a letter of recommendation from the head of the department or a supervisor confirming that the institute cannot provide funding. Preference will be given to applicants from countries that sponsor CISM.

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# ARCHITECTURED MATERIALS AND METAMATERIALS: DESIGN PRINCIPLES AND EFFECTIVE PROPERTIES

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The advancement of additive manufacturing making possible the creation of complex multiscale architectures controlled from the nano / micro level led to a new paradigm in the design of materials. Architected materials (AM) derive their properties not from the ones of their base material, but rather from the design and topology of their microstructure. Amongst architected materials, the category called metamaterials indicate materials with pre-designed multiscale architecture that exhibit unusual static and dynamic properties associated with large local deformations, the presence of multiple metastable states, and instabilities.

For the effective mechanical and acoustic properties of AM to be determined, a link between the microstructural and the scale of an effective substitution medium needs to be set relying on

suitable homogenization schemes; generalized continuum models like micromorphic or strain gradient media are sometimes needed to account for the special microstructural deformation modes. Driven by the rapid advances in additive manufacturing, multiscale homogenization, shape and topology optimization methods, computational methods, and research activities in architected materials are generating many exciting developments. Creating architectures of controlled anisotropy tuned to be ultra-soft or ultra-stiff and lightweight has become increasingly important in biomechanical, civil, and mechanical engineering applications. For instance, specific biological structural members such as tendons and ligaments exhibit Poisson's ratio values well above the isotropic limits, thereby highlighting the need for biomimet-

ic metamaterial microstructures, appropriate for tendon or ligament restoration processes. Fibrous materials are a class of AM that includes many biological and engineering examples, named collectively network materials. Connective tissue in human and animal bodies, paper, cellulose products, nonwovens, and textiles, are all network materials. Their behavior is highly non-linear and is defined by the presence of metastable states, instabilities, and ultimately, by the network architecture. Network materials are tough, damage resistant; they may be designed and built to exploit unusual static and dynamic properties and such systems belong to the class of metamaterials. Topologically interlocked materials form a distinct class of AM. They are composed of periodic building blocks which are assembled to tessellate space. The contacts

between blocks control the highly non-linear behavior of the ensemble on the macroscopic scale. These materials are damage-resistant and tough, and exhibit interesting behaviors in shear, indentation and under dynamics loads. The objective of the course is to bring together researchers from the modeling, computational and experimental mechanics communities to expose an overview, including recent research activities, of the rapidly expanding field of architected materials, with a special focus on mechanical metamaterials in both statics and dynamics. The proposed course targets both established researchers and a younger audience and will provide state-of-the-art information in this area.

## PRELIMINARY SUGGESTED READINGS

E. Alavi, J.F. Ganghoffer, H. Reda, M. Sadighi, Construction of micromorphic continua by homogenization based on variational principles. *J. Mech. Phys. Solids*, 153:104278, 2021. DOI:10.1016/j.jmps.2020.104278.

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S. Varanasi, J.S. Bolton, T.H. Siegmund, R.J. Cipra, The low-frequency performance of metamaterial barriers based on cellular structures, *Applied Acoustics* 74 (4), 485-495, 2013.

AE Viard, J Dirrenberger, S Forest. Propagating material instabilities in planar architected materials. *Int. J. Solids Struct.*, 202, 532-551, 2020.

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R.C. Picu, Network materials: structure and properties, Cambridge Univ Press, 2022.

## INVITED LECTURERS

**Justin Dirrenberger** - Laboratoire PIMM, ENSAM Paris, France  
*5 lectures on: Design, manufacturing and computational aspects of architected materials and metamaterials.*

Design and manufacturing of architected materials and metamaterials. Computational mechanics for architected materials and metamaterials. Instabilities in architected materials. RVE size of stochastic architected materials.

**Jean-François Ganghoffer** - LEM3, Université de Lorraine, CNRS, Metz, France

*5 lectures on: Static and dynamical behavior of architected materials considering size effects - Applications in biomechanics.* Micromechanical models of architected materials and metamaterials. Introduction to multiscale topology optimization methods – Case of auxetics. Plastic and collapse properties of network materials and size effects. Tendons and bone.

**Catalin Picu** - Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY, USA  
*5 lectures on: Network materials as architected materials and metamaterials.*

Mechanical behavior of stochastic network materials: small and large strains. Damage accumulation and rupture; strength and toughness. Role of architecture in network materials. Structure-properties relations. Biological, engineering applications.

**Luca Placidi** - International Telematic University Uninettuno, Rome, Italy  
*5 lectures on: Effective properties of elastic and dissipative metamaterials.* Granular micromechanics to calculate effective properties of metamaterials. Micromechanics homogenization for pantographic structures. Dynamic behavior. Reversible elastic and irreversible damage and plastic properties. Fatigue response of metamaterials.

**Hilal Reda** - Lebanese University, Beirut, Lebanon  
*6 lectures on: Multiphysical behavior of architected materials.* Piezoelectric and flexoelectric response of AM. Homogenization schemes in the multiphysical context. Enriched constitutive models: Cosserat, micromorphic. Large strains models of soft AM. Vibration and wave propagation aspects in metamaterials.

**Thomas Siegmund** - Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA  
*6 lectures on: Metamaterials through topologically interlocked building blocks.*

Tessellations, periodicity, and periodicity for building block assemblies. Mechanics of periodic topological interlocked assemblies. Strength and toughness. Mechanics of nonperiodic topological interlocked assemblies. Emerging properties.

## LECTURES

All lectures will be given in English. Lecture notes can be downloaded from the CISM web site. Instructions will be sent to accepted participants.