

6th Workshop

NANOTECHNOLOGIES FOR 21st CENTURY

COOPERATION EVENT BETWEEN ALBANIA, JAPAN AND SPAIN

Tirana, Albania (October 1st, 2025)

This Workshop aims to keep the collaboration between the three countries, Albania, Japan, and Spain in the field of Nanoscience and Nanotechnologies and their applications in important areas such as life sciences, information technologies and energy. Scientists and representatives from institutions of the three countries will share ideas about collaboration opportunities and research support programs in the research and development including cooperation with industry in the field of nanotechnology.

LOCATION: NanoBalkan2024 will take place at Tirana International Hotel & Conference Centre, Tirana, Albania

DATE: October 1, 2025

ORGANISERS:

Event organized by Phantoms Foundation (Spain) with the support from Spain of ICN2, CERCA, BIST, from Albania of NanoAlb, Academy of Sciences and from Japan of Keio Univ. and the embassies of Spain and Japan in Albania.

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM

9:00-9:30 Welcome, Organizers & Representatives from the Embassies of Japan and Spain in Tirana



9:30-9:45 Alfredo de la Escosura-Muñiz (University of Oviedo, Spain), Novel biosensing strategies based on nanoparticles and nanochannels

9:45-10:00 Bergoi Ibarlucea Canton (Tecnalia, Spain), Scalable solutions toward in vitro and in vivo diagnostics

10:00-10:15 Josep Nogués (ICN2, Spain), Magneto-optic-electrochemical nanostructures for biomedical, energy and environmental applications

10:15-10:30 Samuel Sánchez (IBEC, Spain), Engineering Hybrid Robotics from the nano- to the meso-scale

10:30-10:45 Maria Guix (University of Barcelona, Spain), Microfluidics and robotics, from Earth to microgravity

10.45-11:15 Coffee break and Networking



Japan

11:15-11:30 Gjergj Dodbiba (The University of Tokyo, Japan), Title to be defined

11:30-11:45 Yasuaki Einaga (Keio University, Japan), CO2 reduction by boron-doped diamond electrodes

11:45-12:00 Sachiko Matsushita (Institute of Science Tokyo, Japan), New thermal energy conversion technology: Semiconductor-sensitized thermal cell

12:00-12:15 Hirotomo Nishihara (IMRAM, Tohoku University, Japan), Advanced temperature-programmed desorption for ultra-sensitive analysis in inorganic materials

12:15-12:30 Hiroaki Onoe (Keio University, Japan), Biochemical microgel sensor using DNA nanotechnology

12:30-12:45 Tomoko Shimizu (Keio University, Japan), Exotic Phenomena Revealed by Tip-Enhanced Raman Spectroscopy of Carbon Nanomaterials

12:45-14:30 Lunch



Albania

14.30-14:45 Fetah Podvorica (University of Prishtina, Republic Kosovo), Direct grafting of acrylate polymers on electrode surfaces

14:45-15:00 Sadik Cenolli (University of Tirana, Albania), Boron-Doped Diamond Modified Carbon Paste Electrodes for Sensitive Electrochemical Detection of Antibiotics

15:00-15:15 Valbona Aliko (University of Tirana, Albania), Deep Learning-Driven Image Analysis for Real-Time Monitoring of Nanomaterial Interactions in Biological Systems

15:15-15:30 Magdalena Cara (University of Tirana, Albania), Advancing agriculture through nanotechnology-enabled diagnostics and management of plant pathogens

15:30-15:45 Kledi Xhaxhiu (University of Tirana, Albania), Extractive stripping voltammetry combined with nanomodifers – a promising tool for rapid and low cost determination of antioxidants and hormones

15:45-16:00 Bashkim Ziberi (University of Tetova, Republic of North Macedonia), Funtionalized nanoparticles for cancer diagnosis and therapeutics

16:00-16:15 Brainstorming and session closing

16:15 Closing remarks