

# **12<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Partial Orders in Applied Sciences**

## **Towards an Understanding of Complex Phenomenon: Applying Partial Order Theory to Multi-Indicator Systems**

University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland, October 26-27, 2018

### **Paper presenters information**

In the following sections you will find some information on the conference location, travel, presentations, and leisure activities. We hope this information will help you to enjoy a wonderful time in Neuchâtel.

### **Travel**

The most convenient airports are Geneva and Zurich. There are excellent train connections from Geneva/Zurich airport to Neuchâtel: From both airports there are direct connections to Neuchâtel every hour (at .05 from Geneva airport and at .13 from Zurich airport). Travel time is 1 hour 19 minutes from Geneva airport and 1 hour 48 minutes from Zurich airport. You can buy your train ticket (one-way or return ticket) directly at the train station of the airport or at the link below:

<https://www.sbb.ch/en/home.html>

The cost of one-way second-class ticket: 48 (from Geneva Airport) and 59 (from Zurich Airport) Swiss Franc; second class return-ticket: 96 (from Geneva Airport) and 118 (from Zurich Airport) Swiss Franc.

In addition, there is a funicular railway that takes you directly from Neuchâtel's main railway station to the main building of the University (ticket cost is around 4.40 Swiss Franc).

### **Weather**

The average temperature in Neuchâtel in October usually ranges from 8-20 degrees Celsius.

### **Conference location**

The conference takes place at the *Department of Sociology of the University of Neuchâtel (Institut de Sociologie, Université de Neuchâtel)*, Fbg de l'Hôpital 27, 2000 Neuchâtel within walking distance from all hotels.

### **Conference rooms**

Conference room (room 001) is at the Institute of Sociology (Faubourg de l'Hôpital 27, 2000 Neuchâtel). The city map is available at the link below:

<https://www.unine.ch/socio/home/conferences/12th-international-partial-order/confinformations.html>

The tourism office (<https://www.neuchatel tourisme.ch/fr/contact/tourisme-neuchatelois.html>) which is located at Place du Port 2, 2001 Neuchâtel and the railway ticket office (CFF) at the Neuchâtel railway station provide also the city map.

### **Final conference program**

For the final conference program see the link below:

<https://www.unine.ch/socio/home/conferences/12th-international-partial-order/program.html>

You will also find a printed version of the program and of the book of abstracts in your program kit.

### **Registration desk and conference phone**

Participants who have preregistered may pick up badges, program kit at the registration desk (Main Hall, Institute of Sociology). For on-site-registration please contact the registration desk. The registration desk will be staffed on Friday and Saturday, October 26-27. Service hours are as follows:

- Thursday, October 26: 12:30–13:00
- Friday, October 27: 8:30–9:00

### **Conference language**

The working language of the conference is English.

### **Plenaries and workshop sessions**

7 workshop sessions are investigating the conference theme.

*Workshop sessions:* There will be three to four presentations in each workshop session. *Workshop presentations* should be limited to *15 minutes* each. Each workshop presentation will be concluded by 15 minutes of discussions. In these discussions, all speakers of the ongoing session will be asked to address questions raised by the audience.

### **Technical infrastructure and Powerpoint presentations**

One computer with Windows system and free WIFI will be available in conference room (Room 001, Fbg de l'Hôpital 27, 2000 Neuchâtel, Institut de Sociologie, University of Neuchâtel). For Mac users, please bring your own adapter and try to check before your session. If you would like to use Powerpoint slides in your presentation, we kindly ask you to e-mail us the powerpoint file no later than **October 24, 2018** ([tugce.beycan@unine.ch](mailto:tugce.beycan@unine.ch)). We will upload your presentation to the video beamer in the conference auditorium.

### **Apéro-Welcome Reception**

All participants are invited to the welcome reception sponsored by the Institute of Sociology of the University of Neuchâtel, in the evening, at 19:00 (Room 002, Fbg de l'Hôpital 27, 2000 Neuchâtel, Institut de Sociologie, University of Neuchâtel)

### **Conference lunch**

Conference lunch (sandwiches) will be served in the small conference room (002), at the Institute of Sociology, Faubourg de l'Hôpital 27, 2000 Neuchâtel

### **Conference joint dinner**

The joint dinner will be held at Restaurant Ananda (Fbg de l'Hôpital 31, 2000 Neuchâtel) on Saturday, October 27 (in the evening, at 19:30). For registration, please send an e-mail latest on Friday, October 19, to [tugce.beycan@unine.ch](mailto:tugce.beycan@unine.ch).

## **Sightseeing tour in the old city center of Neuchâtel on Sunday, October 28 (in the morning)**

For registration, please send an e-mail latest on Friday, October 19, to [tugce.beycan@unine.ch](mailto:tugce.beycan@unine.ch). Meeting point for the tour: in front of the Institut de Sociologie, Fbg de l'Hôpital 27, 2000, Neuchâtel.

### **Other after conference sightseeing activities and attractions**

Here are some suggestions for leisure and sightseeing activities:

#### *Neuchâtel Tourism and sightseeing:*

- *Tourist Office:* the Neuchâtel Tourist Office (office du tourisme) is located at the Place du Port. Visitors information, sightseeing brochures, city walking tours, guided visit of the Castle of Neuchâtel etc. are available. Contact: phone: +41 (0)32 889 68 90; fax +41 (0)32 889 62 96, e-mail: [info@ne.ch](mailto:info@ne.ch)  
(see also <http://www.neuchatel tourisme.ch/e/home/>)
- *Funicular railway Chaumont:* Just 5 minutes from the town centre, the funicular La Coudre-Chaumont offers you a panoramic view on the three lakes and the Alps.
- *Botanic garden of the University of Neuchâtel:* Permanent exhibitions and wide spaces dedicated to the natural environment of the Jura can be discovered all year round. Temporary scientific and artistic exhibitions organized from May to October  
(see <http://www2.unine.ch/jardin>)
- *Tourist train:* The tourist train of Neuchâtel runs daily at 1:45 pm, 2:45 pm, 3:45 pm, 4:45 pm.
- *Natural History Museum:* see <http://www.museum-neuchatel.ch/new/index.php>
- *Museum of Ethnography:* see <http://www.men.ch/>
- *Dürrenmatt Center:* The Dürrenmatt Centre – built by Mario Botta – reveals the pictorial and literary work of Friedrich Dürrenmatt (1921–1990), one of Switzerland's most important writer and dramatist (see <http://www.cdn.ch/html/home.html>)
- *Laténium - Park and Archaeological Museum of Neuchâtel:* see <http://www.latenium.ch/>
- *Wineries:*
  - Caves de la ville de Neuchâtel: [www.cavevillentel.ch](http://www.cavevillentel.ch)
  - Sandoz Vins : [www.sandoz-vins.ch](http://www.sandoz-vins.ch)
  - Caves de la Béroche: [www.caves-beroches.ch](http://www.caves-beroches.ch)

#### *Out-of-Town attractions:*

- *La Chaux-de-Fonds and Le Locle / Watchmaking Museums:* The two-watchmaking metropolis situated on the Jura plateau (1000 m) are easily accessible (from Neuchâtel, 30 minutes by rail). Two famous watchmaking museums are the International Watchmaking Museum of La Chaux-de-Fonds (see [www.mih.ch](http://www.mih.ch)) and the Horological Museum of Le Locle (see <http://www.mhl-monts.ch/fr/sections.php?op=viewarticle&artid=1>). In La Chaux-de-Fonds you can also visit the Le Corbusier's Maison blanche (see [www.maisonblanche.ch](http://www.maisonblanche.ch)).
- *Boat tours:* There is an excellent boat service on the lakes of Neuchâtel, Morat/Murten and Bienne/Biel (see <http://www.navig.ch/navigation.php?id=9&page=accueil>)

- *Gorges de l'Areuse*: The Gorges de l'Areuse is a narrow gorge through the limestones of the Jura. The Areuse river springs at Saint-Sulpice in the Jura mountains and drains to the south, towards Lac de Neuchâtel. Take the train from Neuchâtel main station to Val-de-Travers and get off at the railway station of Noiraigue. Hiking time from Noiraigue to Boudry (train station or tramway station) is about 3 hours. There is a beautiful restaurant (l'Hôtel de la Truite) at Champ-du-Moulin (after 1-hour hiking).
- *Creux du Van*: The Creux du Van – the Grand Canyon of Switzerland – is a long, half rounded cliff that developed naturally through erosion. Its walls are up to 200 meter high. On clear days you can see Lake Neuchâtel and the Alps. A trip to the Creux du Van is highly recommendable, even for persons with slight walking ambition. Take the train from Neuchâtel main station to Val-de-Travers and get off at the railway station of Noiraigue. Hiking time to the top point (800 m) is about 2 hours. Nearby (5 minutes) is the farm hill restaurant “Le Soliat”. You can also take the bus at Couvet (Val-de-Travers) or Yverdons-les-Bains to La Combaz (bus service, however, is not frequent).
- *Doubs River*: The Doubs river, at the Swiss-French boundary, offers lovely walks on the way to the waterfall Saut-du-Doubs.
- *Historical sites and Burgandian Castles*: There are several historical sites and castles in the surroundings of Neuchâtel:
  - Castle of Boudry, also known for its Wine Museum (see <http://www.chateauboudry.ch/>)
  - Castle of Vaumarcus (see <http://www.chateauvaumarcus.ch/>)
  - Castle of Grandson (see <http://www.chateau-grandson.ch/>)
  - The farmhouse “Le Grand-Cachot-de-Vent” built in 1531 (see <http://www.grand-cachot.ch/>)