

- **Nonlocal damage models and other regularized approaches and Transition from damage to fracture**, M. Jirásek (Czech Technical University in Prague, Czech Republic), C. Miehe (U. of Stuttgart, Germany), N. Moës (ECN Nantes, France)
- **Quasi-brittle failure with applications to concrete and fiber-reinforced concrete**, I. Carol (UPC Barcelona, Spain), G. Pijaudier-Cabot (U. of Pau, France)
- **Theory of fracture, crack propagation criteria, and crack tracking algorithms**, M. Ortiz (Caltech, USA), A. Pandolfi (Politecnico di Milano, Italy)
- **Uncertainty modeling in failure analysis**, M. Kaliske (TU Dresden, Germany)

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## Location

The conference will take place at the Ecole Normale Supérieure de Cachan, 61 avenue du président Wilson, 94230 Cachan, France. It can be easily reached by metro (RER line B, stop at Bagneux) followed by 15 minutes walk. The attendees should book their hotel in Paris to benefit from the city.

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	Early	Late
Delegates	490€	590€
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## Important Dates

Minisymposia proposals:	<b>30 September 2014</b>
Deadline for presenting a one page abstract:	<b>31 January 2015</b>
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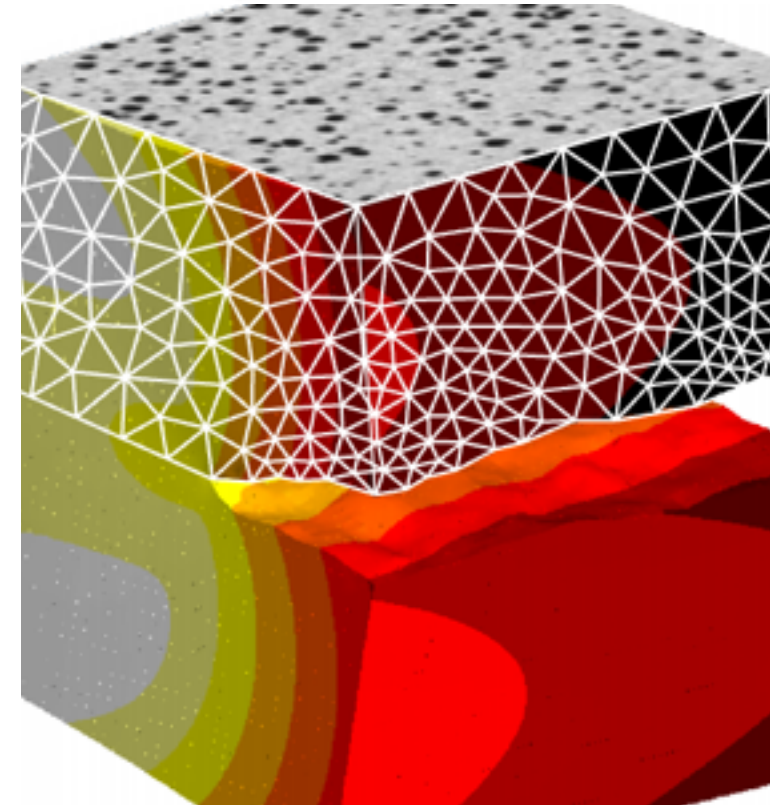


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## Objectives

Designers of engineering structures must answer to ever increasing requests on performance in terms of safety, reliability, durability, low cost and low energy consumption. As new materials and new applications arise, traditional design rules and conventional testing methods become insufficient or inapplicable, which strengthens the role of computational methods in the design process. Numerical tools can accelerate the development of new products and their optimization.

The aim of the conference is to gather academic researchers and industrial partners involved in development and application of numerical procedures for fracture and failure simulation of materials and structures, in an effort to facilitate the exchange of ideas in topics of mutual interest and to serve as a platform for establishing links among research groups in Europe and worldwide.

## Conference Topics

- Algorithms for crack propagation and evolving discontinuities
- Continuum damage mechanics
- Coupled experimental-computational identification
- Ductile and large deformation fracture
- Dynamic fracture
- Failure mechanisms in forming processes
- Finite elements with embedded strong discontinuities
- Fracture of composites
- Fracture of nano-structures
- Fragmentation
- Transition from damage to fracture
- Interaction of fracture with heat and moisture transport
- Interpolation enrichments capturing strong discontinuities
- Micro-cracking
- Multi-scale analysis for cracks
- Objective description of localized strain, regularization methods
- Transition from damage to fracture

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## List of Accepted Minisymposia

- **Advanced finite element technology for discontinuities and evolving interfaces**, J. Alfaiate (Instituto Superior Técnico, Portugal)
- **Comparison between experiment and modeling, validation**, J. Réthoré (LaMCoS, France), Stéphane Roux (ENS Cachan, France)
- **Cracking due to coupled processes, including durability mechanics and hydraulic fracture**, I. Carol (UPC Barcelona, Spain), K. Willam (University of Houston, USA)
- **Ductile fracture, modeling of shear bands and necking**, P.-O. Bouchard (CEMEF, France), J. César de Sá (U. of Porto, Portugal), R. Peerlings (TU Eindhoven, Netherlands)
- **Dynamic fracture, fragmentation and impact**, A. Combescure (INSA Lyon, France), J. Ozbolt (U. of Stuttgart, Germany)
- **Fracture and contact, fretting, cohesive interface models**, F. Gatuingt (ENS Cachan, France), J.-F. Molinari (EPFL, Switzerland)
- **Fracture and damage of composites and laminates**, P.P. Camanho (U. of Porto, Portugal), S. Hallett (U. of Bristol, United Kingdom), J. Remmers (TU Eindhoven, Netherlands)
- **Fracture of thin structures**, P. Areias (Universidade de Évora, Portugal)
- **Industrial applications**, J.C. Gálvez (Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, Spain), C. Huchette (ONERA, France), P. Massin (LAMSID-EDF, France), Ph. Pasquet (Consultant, France)
- **Innovative trends and applications in fracture mechanics**, O. Allix (ENS Cachan, France), M. Jirásek (Czech Technical University in Prague, Czech Republic), N. Moës (ECN Nantes, France), X. Oliver (UPC Barcelona, Spain)
- **Modeling of cutting, puncturing, blanking and similar processes**, U. Perego (Politecnico di Milano, Italy), J.-P. Ponthot (LTAS, Belgium)
- **Multi-scale analysis**, M. Geers (TU Eindhoven, Netherlands), A. E. Huespe (Universidad Nacional del Litoral, Argentina), S. Loehnert (U. of Hannover, Germany), X. Oliver (UPC Barcelona, Spain), P. Wriggers (U. of Hannover, Germany)