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# INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS «GUIDO STAMPACCHIA»

66<sup>th</sup> Workshop: **ADVANCES IN CONVEX ANALYSIS AND OPTIMIZATION**

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## PROGRAMME AND LECTURERS

*Nonlinear Optimization*  
*Stochastic Optimization*  
*Variational Inequalities*  
*Differential Inclusions*  
*Differential Variational Inequalities*  
*Optimization for Imaging*  
*Optimization for Finance*  
*Optimal Transportation Theory*  
*Optimization for Machine Learning*  
*Convex, Nonsmooth and Energy Optimization*  
*Optimization and Dynamical Systems*  
*Equilibrium Problems*

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### PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOP

The aim of the Workshop is to review and discuss recent developments of the theory of Convex Analysis and Optimization and to provide a forum for fruitful interactions in closely related fields of research and their applications. Optimization is a rich and thriving mathematical discipline. Properties of minimizers and maximizers of functions rely in an essential way on richness of techniques from mathematical analysis, including tools from calculus and its generalizations, topology and geometry. The theory underlying current computational optimization techniques grows evermore: sophisticated duality-based algorithms, interior point methods, and control-theoretic applications are typical examples. The powerful and elegant language of convex analysis unifies much of this theory. Many important analytic problems have illuminating optimization formulations and hence can be approached through main variational tools: subgradients and optimality conditions, the many forms of duality, metric regularity and so forth. More generally, the idea of convexity is central to the transition from classical analysis to various branches of modern analysis: from linear to nonlinear analysis, from smooth to nonsmooth, from the study of functions to multifunctions and has important applications in optimal control, mathematical economics, and other areas of infinite-dimensional optimization. Particular emphasis will be placed on novel ideas and promising research developments.

### APPLICATIONS

Persons wishing to attend the Workshop should apply by sending an e-mail to the Co-Director of the Workshop:

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They should specify: date and place of birth, together with current nationality; affiliation; address, e-mail address. Additional information about the Workshop can be found at the following address:

<http://www.dma.unina.it/CAO2016>

Closing Date for Applications: 31 May 2016.

### POETIC TOUCH

According to legend, Erice, son of Venus and Neptune, founded a small town on top of a mountain (750 metres above sea level) more than three thousand years ago. The founder of modern history — i.e. the recording of events in a methodic and chronological sequence as they really happened without reference to mythical causes — the great Thucydides (~500 B.C.), writing about events connected with the conquest of Troy (1183 B.C.) said: «*After the fall of Troy some Trojans on their escape from the Achaei arrived in Sicily by boat and as they settled near the border with the Sicilians all together they were named Elymi: their towns were Segesta and Erice.*» This inspired Virgil to describe the arrival of the Trojan royal family in Erice and the burial of Anchise, by his son Enea, on the coast below Erice. Homer (~1000 B.C.), Theocritus (~300 B.C.), Polybius (~200 B.C.), Virgil (~50 B.C.), Horace (~20 B.C.), and others have celebrated this magnificent spot in Sicily in their poems. During seven centuries (XIII-XIX) the town of Erice was under the leadership of a local oligarchy, whose wisdom assured a long period of cultural development and economic prosperity which in turn gave rise to the many churches, monasteries and private palaces which you see today. In Erice you can admire the Castle of Venus, the Cyclopean Walls (~800 B.C.) and the Gothic Cathedral (~1300 A.D.). Erice is at present a mixture of ancient and medieval architecture. Other masterpieces of ancient civilization are to be found in the neighbourhood: at Motya (Phoenician), Segesta (Elymian), and Selinunte (Greek). On the Aegadian Islands — theatre of the decisive naval battle of the first Punic War (264-241 B.C.) — suggestive neolithic and paleolithic vestiges are still visible: the grottoes of Favignana, the carvings and murals of Levanzo.

Splendid beaches are to be found at San Vito Lo Capo, Scopello, and Cornino, and a wild and rocky coast around Monte Cofano: all at less than one hour's drive from Erice.

More information about the other activities of the  
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can be found on the WWW at the following address:  
<http://www.ccsem.infn.it>

### PLEASE NOTE

Participants must arrive on 5 July, not later than 6 p.m.