



Scope and Format of IUTAM Symposia

Scope

The aim of any symposium sponsored by IUTAM is to assemble a group of active scientists within a well-defined field for the development of science within that field.

In order to achieve an effective communication within this group it is necessary to limit the number of active participants sufficiently. To this end, all IUTAM Symposia are reserved for invited participants. Those wishing to participate in an IUTAM Symposium are therefore advised to contact the Chairman of the Scientific Committee in due time in advance of the meeting.

Invitations to participate, made by the Scientific Committee (see below), should be made only on the basis of scientific merit.

Format

Following proposals made by individual members of the IUTAM General Assembly and recommendations given by the two IUTAM Symposia Panels and by the IUTAM Bureau, the General Assembly decides upon topics to be treated at forthcoming symposia.

The IUTAM Bureau then appoints a Scientific Committee, which will become responsible for the symposium. In some cases a Study Group is first appointed with the task of outlining a program and proposing a host institution. On the basis of a report submitted by the Study Group, the Bureau later appoints a Scientific Committee, which will often consist of the Study Group augmented by a few more members.

The Scientific Committee proposes the date for the symposium, subject to approval by the Bureau.

The Secretary-General informs the Chairman of the Scientific Committee about the [Rules and the Guidelines](#), issued by the IUTAM General Assembly and keeps him continually informed about any decisions regarding the symposium, which may be taken by the General Assembly or the Bureau.

The main responsibility of the Scientific Committee is the selection of scientists to be invited. It is responsible for the publication of the proceedings of the symposium and for the distribution of the allocation by IUTAM to participants. Subject to approval by the General Assembly, the proceedings of future IUTAM Symposia will be published under the brand name "IUTAM-Symposium on .." by [Springer Science and Business Media](#), in the well established series on Fluid- and Solid Mechanics and commonly edited by the Symposium Chairman. *All papers must be reviewed.*