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**February 3 – 14, 2025**

**SCHOOL ON  
 SYNCHRONIZATION:  
 FROM COLLECTIVE  
 MOTION TO BRAIN  
 DYNAMICS**

Synchronization is one of the fundamental phenomena in complex systems and nonlinear dynamics. There are a large number of systems where synchronization is an important effect and we shall focus on two of them: a) mobile systems: the emergence of coordinated movement in space and time without an apparent controller; b) the Janus-faced nature of synchronization in brain dynamics, or how synchronization impairs and drives the brain, and the importance of physics for the prediction of epileptic seizures.

The school will cover: a general introduction to synchronization phenomena; systems where spatial and temporal synchronization occur simultaneously, as observed in sperm cells, starfish embryos and swarms in general; introduction to epilepsy and seizure dynamics; seizure prediction methods: modern nonlinear models for the detection and forecasting of dynamical transitions from time series; challenges and opportunities for more efficient data analysis.

The event will also include a workshop on the weekend of February 8-9 covering current research in the field.

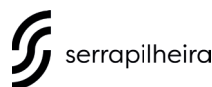
This school is part of the Topics in Nonlinear Science: Fundamentals and Applications.

There is no registration fee and limited funds are available for travel and local expenses.

**Application deadline (school):  
 November 23, 2024**

**Registration deadline (workshop):  
 December 14, 2024**

**More information:  
[ictp-saifr.org/sscmbd2025](http://ictp-saifr.org/sscmbd2025)**



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