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**TOPICS**

**Fundamentals of sensing techniques and bioassays**
- Absorbance and fluorescence
- Chemi- and bio-luminescence
- IR & Raman methods
- Fiber-optics and optoelectronic components
- SPR and other label-free detection techniques
- DNA- and protein array technology
- Microfluidics & lab-on-a-chip systems
- Supramolecular sensors & bio-mimetic receptors
- Probes and sensors for cellular parameters

**Practical applications**
- Environmental monitoring and biodefense
- System integration
- Commercial sensors
- Point-Of-Care testing
- Intracellular biosensing

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

- Registration & grant application: July 31, 2022
- Notification of acceptance: August 12, 2022
- Final registration: August 26, 2022
- Payment due: September 2, 2022

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