

Program

Meeting	AUFRANDE Annual Event
Date	3-7 November 2025
Location	ICMCB, 87 Avenue du Docteur Schweitzer 33608 PESSAC (France)

About this event

RMIT Europe and the Institute for Condensed Matter Chemistry Bordeaux (UMR 5026 CNRS) are delighted to bring together the AUFRANDE community for this second annual event in France.

This event marks an important milestone with the participation of the Project Officer who will assess the Program's progress. It will also feature a mix of brainstorming sessions, poster presentations, training workshops, and networking opportunities as well as a side event, co-organised with the Marie Curie Alumni Association France Chapter and Bridging Science and Business Working Group.

Agenda of the week

	Mon 3 Nov	Tue 4 Nov	Wed 5 Nov	Thu 6 Nov	Fri 7 Nov
	<i>Consortium Meeting</i>	<i>Mid-Term Review Meeting</i>	<i>Training School & AUFRANDE MCAA France Chapter / BSB WG Joint Event</i>		
9.00 – 10.30		9.00 – 10.00 Meeting of the doctoral candidates	9.00 – 10.30 Technology Intelligence	9.00 – 10.30 Technology Intelligence	9.00 – 10.30 Workshop on standardization
		10.00 – 10.30 Coffee break			
10.30 – 11.00		10.30 – 11.30 Plenary mid-term review meeting	10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break	10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break	10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break
11.00 – 12.30		11.30 – 12.30 Poster session	11.00 – 12.30 Technology Intelligence	11.00 – 12.30 Technology Intelligence	11.00 – 12.30 Workshop on wellbeing
12.30 – 2.00		12.30 – 2.00 Lunch	12.30 – 2.00 Lunch	12.30 – 2.00 Lunch	12.30 – 2.00 Lunch
2.00 – 3.30	2.00 – 2.30 Welcome coffee	2.00 – 3.00 Parallel meetings	2.00 – 3.30 Technology Intelligence	2.00 – 4.00 Panel on career paths after a PhD	
	2.30 – 5.30 Consortium meeting - plenary (45 min) - scientific workshops (90 min + 15 min break) - wrap-up (30 min)	Doctoral candidates & Project officer			
		Supervisors & Project manager			
3.30 – 4.00		3.00 – 3.30 Plenary mid-term review meeting	3.30 – 4.00 Coffee break	4.00 – 4.30 Coffee break	
4.00 – 5.30		4.15 – 6.00 Excursion (boat tour)	4.00 – 5.30 Technology Intelligence	4.30 – 5.30 Panel on start-up experience	
Free time					
8.00		Consortium diner		TBC	

Detailed program

Monday 3 November

2.00 pm – 5.30 pm, all participants

Consortium meeting & scientific workshops

The consortium meeting brings together researchers to give them an overview of the Program status and explore collaboration within and beyond AUFRANDE.

Tuesday 4 November

9.00 am – 10.00 am, doctoral candidates

Meeting of the Doctoral Candidates

Meeting organised and facilitated by the Doctoral Candidates Committee.

10.30 am – 12.30 pm, all participants

Mid-term review meeting

This session will cover the scientific objectives and highlights of the AUFRANDE Program:

- Introduction and purpose of the review meeting, Marc Patuzzo (Project Officer)
- AUFRANDE scientific objectives and achievements, Pauline Rasera (Program Manager)
- Scientific presentations by three AUFRANDE doctoral candidates
- Poster session by the AUFRANDE doctoral candidates

2.00 pm – 3.00 pm, parallel meetings

Meeting of the Doctoral Candidates and the Project Officer

This meeting is intended to allow the DCs to discuss with the Research Executive Agency Representative about their experiences within the project.

Meeting of the supervisors and the Program Manager

Organised and facilitated by the Supervisors Committee to share experience, discuss best practice for international co-supervision and next steps.

3.00 pm – 3.30 pm, all participants

Feedback and open discussion

The Project Officer will share his feedback and recommendations for the next period.

4.15 pm – 6.00 pm, all participants (optional)

Excursion (boat tour)

8.00 pm, all participants (upon registration)

Consortium dinner

Wednesday 5 November

9.00 am – 5.30 pm, doctoral candidates

Training Workshop on Technology Intelligence – part 1

Thursday 6 November

9.00 am – 12.30 pm, doctoral candidates

Training Workshop on Technology Intelligence – part 2

2.00 pm – 5.30 pm, doctoral candidates & open to public

Researchers meet entrepreneurs event – part 1

Co-organised with the Marie Curie Alumni Association (MCAA) Bridging Science and Business Working group and the France Chapter, this side-event is open to external participants.

2.00 – 2.30 Opening Session & Welcome Remarks

Speakers: Alberto Gregori (MCAA France Chapter); Murat Gunes (MCAA BSB WG); Pauline Rasera, (AUFRANDE)

2.30 – 4.00 What to Expect During and After the PhD

Speakers: Sohail Luka (MSCA Unit, European Commission); Georgeta Bordea (Université de La Rochelle); Jitendra Rathore (CEA Saclay); Alberto Gregori (MCAA France Chapter); Murat Gunes (MCAA BSB WG)

4.30 – 5.30 Start-up Experience: From Lab to Launch

Speakers: Murat Gunes (MCAA BSB WG); Mirko Maldari (FineHeart)

Friday 7 November

9.00 am – 2.00 pm, doctoral candidates & open to public

Researchers meet entrepreneurs event – part 2

9.00 – 9.15 Opening Session & Welcome Remarks

9.15 – 10.30 Workshop on Standardization

Speaker: Murat Gunes (MCAA BSB WG)

11.00 – 12.00 Researchers' Well-being: Research Yourself

Speaker: Lorenzo Camisi (Centre de recherche Paul Pascal)

12.00 – 12.30 Open discussion & Closing Remarks

Practical information

Venue

AUFRANDE Annual Event is hosted by ICMCB Bordeaux.

Address: 87 Avenue Schweitzer, Pessac, France

Public transport: Tramway B, direction Pessac, stop Doyen Brus.

Access and map: <https://www.icmcb-bordeaux.cnrs.fr/en/icmcb-access/>

Important: **external visitors must bring an ID document and sign in at the reception each day.**

Excursion & Dinner

An excursion and a consortium dinner will be organised for AUFRANDE Doctoral Candidates and their supervisors who have confirmed their participation.

Excursion: Burdigala I guided cruise on the Garonne river

Meeting point: Ponton Croisières Burdigala

Departure time: Tuesday 4 November at 4.15 pm

Dinner: Café du Port

Meeting point: 1 Quai Deschamps, 33100 Bordeaux

Meeting time: Tuesday 4 November at 8.00 pm