



Dear Colleagues, Dear Friends,

It seems there are more and more conferences competing for your attention! We hope you will consider ARIS2020, the premier conference concerning radioactive isotope science and applications. We are in the process of constructing an irresistible program that will focus on the latest and most interesting scientific results involving radioactive nuclides for fundamental nuclear physics and the related fields of astrophysics, weak interactions and applications involving material science and medicine.

You will be welcomed 14-19 June 2020 at the *Palais des Papes*, in Avignon. Lying on the banks of the Rhone River at the gateway to the lush lavender fields of Provence, the beautiful city of Avignon is steeped in history and culture. The *Palais des Papes*, residence of the 14<sup>th</sup>-century Avignon Popes who vied with Rome and now a UNESCO World Heritage site, will be your conference center for a week of scintillating science. You can while away the warm *Provençal* evenings on an outdoor terrace with the reassuring sounds of ice tinkling in a glass of *pastis*, as you contemplate the advances in radioactive isotope science.

The website – [aris2020.eu](http://aris2020.eu) – will be continually updated as organization progresses – please stay tuned.

**With this circular we invite you to register and submit abstracts starting from January 13, 2020.**

**Deadline is February 17, 2020.** Get ready to join us for an exceptional event in Avignon this summer!

Best regards from the ARIS2020 Local Organizing Committee: Marlène Assié (IPN), Sandrine Courtin (IPHC), Ferid Haddad (Arronax/U. Nantes) Beatriz Jurado (CENBG), Ulli Koester (ILL), Wolfram Korten (IRFU), David Lunney (CSNSM), Nigel Orr (LPC), and Jean-Charles Thomas (GANIL).

If you're still not convinced, remember the famous song "*Sur le pont d'Avignon*" and behold the famous bridge on which you can dance during your conference-dinner aperitif...

