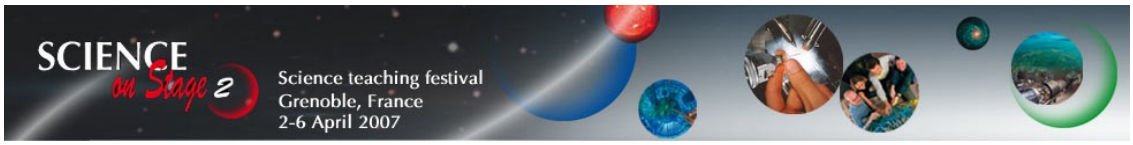

Workshop 45: Physics experiments at less than 1 euro

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Dear colleagues.

As the chairman and chairwoman of the workshop we would like to briefly introduce ourselves and say a few words about the aim of this workshop.

We teach Physics at the university level (to Physics, Chemistry, Biology... students).[1] Besides our traditional activities of researching and teaching, we firmly believe in the need of spreading Physics knowledge among the society, showing that Physics is present everywhere and essential for a sustainable future. Therefore we also have organized science fairs and imparted seminars, workshops, etc. addressed to instructors, young people and the general public.

Among the many activities that can be done to stimulate the interest of people for Physics, we are absolutely certain of the excellent result of hands-on activities with cheap, simple and everyday materials, which have shown to be very successful both to catch the attention of people and to provide teachers with an excellent tool to complement their lectures.

We have prepared for this workshop a set of Physics experiments that are cheap, simple and, some of them, even fun and spectacular. Besides to have a nice time doing physics all together, the goal of these activities is to encourage you to prepare your own experiments, many of which can be found in the enclosed bibliography.

See you in Grenoble

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1 You can see our profiles by taking a look through our web pages: ***bohr.fcu.um.es/miembros/rgm*** (the material devoted to *Teaching and Popularizing Physics* appears at the end).

We will bring most of the material needed for this workshop, but each participant should carry the following items for her/his own use:[2]

- Scissors (preferably) or cutter o penknife
- Crayons (a few colours are enough)
- Matches or cigarrete lighter (smokers can help with this item)
- Two (2) metallic and identical forks
- One (1) metallic spoon
- Anything else that could be useful for the “survival kit” of a teacher in a handcraft-physics workshop

2 For those taking a plane, please be aware of the boarding security rules.

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