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The 13th International Conference on Direct Reactions with Exotic Beams (DREB2026)

- **Date:** November 1st – 6th, 2026
- **Place:** Shenzhen, China
- **Website:** <https://indico.impcas.ac.cn/e/dreb2026>
- **Contact:** dreb2026@sustech.edu.cn

<INVITATION>

The 13th International Conference on Direct Reactions with Exotic Beams (DREB2026) will be held at the **Convention Center of the Southern University of Science and Technology (SUSTech)** in Shenzhen, China, from **November 1st to 6th, 2026**. This conference continues the biennial series dedicated to the latest experimental and theoretical research in nuclear reactions with exotic nuclei.

<VISA ASSISTANCE>

Country-specific visa assistance information is available on the conference website. For some countries, visa-on-arrival options are available for mainland China, including entry via Hong Kong (Hong Kong itself is visa-free for many countries). Please refer to the conference website for details.

Participants requiring an invitation should contact the organizers by sending Emails to dreb2026@sustech.edu.cn before August 20th, 2026. Documents concerning visa-free travel to China can be found on the conference website:

<https://indico.impcas.ac.cn/event/178/attachments/607/1572/Foreign%20nationals%20visa%20exemption%20policy.pdf>

<SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM>

The program will focus on new results, particularly those not yet published. Topics include:

- Spectroscopy, shapes and shell evolution in exotic nuclei as seen through direct reactions
- Probing the nuclear force and short-range correlations through direct reactions
- Theoretical developments and advances in direct reaction theory
- Nuclear astrophysics
- New instrumentation for direct reaction studies of exotic nuclei
- Ab initio methods for structure and reactions away from stability
- Clustering phenomena probed by nuclear reactions

Note: In keeping with the tradition of the DREB series, no formal proceedings will be published.

<CONFERENCE SCHEDULE>

The conference will begin with a Welcome Reception on the evening of **Sunday, November 1st, 2026**, and will conclude on the afternoon of **Friday, November 6th, 2026**.

Tentative Schedule:

Date	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Nov 1 (Sun)	Arrival	Registration	Welcome Reception
Nov 2 (Mon)	Scientific Sessions	Scientific Sessions	Free Evening
Nov 3 (Tue)	Scientific Sessions	Scientific Sessions	Poster Session
Nov 4 (Wed)	Scientific Sessions	Excursion	Free Evening
Nov 5 (Thu)	Scientific Sessions	Scientific Sessions	Banquet
Nov 6 (Fri)	Scientific Sessions	Closing	Departure

<REGISTRATION>

Online registration was open on March 1st. We strongly encourage participants to **register** via the conference website to assist with organization (Payment of Registration Fees will be collected later).

Registration Fees#:

- **Early registration fee (Before September 20th)**
- Regular Participants: 300 USD
- Students / Postdocs: 250 USD
- **Regular registration fee (Before November 1st)**
- Regular Participants: 400 USD
- Students / Postdocs: 350 USD
- **Onsite registration fee: 500 USD**
- **Return policy: 50 USD will not be refundable**

The registration fee covers:

- Welcome Reception, Coffee breaks, Lunches during the conference, beverage&food during the Poster Session and the Conference Banquet
- Access to all scientific sessions, materials and conference souvenir

- **Excursion**

Detailed payment instructions will be provided on the registration webpage.

<SOCIAL EVENTS & EXCURSIONS>

- **Welcome Reception:** Sunday, November 1st.
- **Poster Session:** A dedicated session will be held on the evening of **Tuesday, November 3rd**. Best Poster Awards will be presented to outstanding early-career presenters.
- **Excursion (Wednesday afternoon, November 4th):**
 - ✓ **Shenzhen City Cultural Tour** (Included in registration fee)
A guided tour exploring the modern architecture, lush parks, and cultural landmarks of Shenzhen.
- **Optional Excursion (Wednesday evening, November 4th):** A spectacular cruise tour to view the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge, the world's longest sea-crossing bridge. (*Note: This option is subject to payment, availability and weather conditions.*)
- **Conference Banquet:** Thursday, November 5th.

<POST-CONFERENCE SATELLITE EVENT: Direct Reactions at HIAF >

A **Satellite event including a Workshop dedicated to direct reaction studies at HIAF and a facility tour** is planned at Huizhou city on, **November 7-8th, 2026** (after the DREB conference).

The Heavy Ion Accelerator Facility (HIAF) is a major new scientific facility that has recently completed beam commissioning and will be open to users from early 2026. Details of this satellite event will be announced on the conference website.

<VENUE & ACCOMMODATION>

The conference will be held at the **SUSTech Convention Center**.

The Local Organizing Committee is arranging special rates with hotels near the university. A list of recommended hotels and booking instructions will be available on the conference website.

<TRANSPORTATION>

Shenzhen is easily accessible via:

- **Airports:** Shenzhen Bao'an International Airport (SZX) or Hong Kong International Airport (HKG).
- **Train:** Shenzhen North Railway Station; Shenzhen Railway Station (High-speed rail).

<IMPORTANT DATES>

- Abstract opening: March 1st
- **Abstract Submission Deadline: July 10th, 2026**
- **Notification of Presentation:** August 10th, 2026
- **Visa Assistance Request Deadline:** August 20th, 2026
- Registration opening: March 1st

- **Early Registration Deadline:** September 20th, 2026
- **Registration Deadline:** November 1st, 2026
- **Conference Dates:** November 1st – 6th, 2026

We look forward to welcoming you to Shenzhen!

The DREB2026 Organizing Committee