Venue

MARSS2024 will be held on the main campus of Delft University of Technology (TU Delft), located in Delft, the Netherlands.

Technische Universiteit Delft is the oldest and largest Dutch public technical university. Established in 1842 as a royal academy in the old town center, TU Delft became a polytechnic school in 1864 and an institute of technology in 1905. It assumed its current name in 1986 and has progressively organized a thriving and growing university campus right outside the old town.

With eight faculties and numerous research institutes, TU Delft hosts more than 27,000 students and 6,600 employees (including teaching, research, support and management staff). TU Delft hosts tens of technological start-ups, and as of 2023 it was ranked by QS World University Rankings among the top 10 engineering and technology universities in the world.

Access to TU Delft campus

Address: TU Delft campus, Mekelweg 5,
2628CC Delft, the Netherlands

Interactive campus map ➔

TU Delft campus aerial view
The conference will be held in the Aula Congress Center of the TU Delft campus (building 20, Mekelweg 5, 2628CC Delft). Built in 1966 in the brutalist architectural style by two alumni of the university and located just beside the beautiful, ground-integrated TU Delft library, the Aula is the main stage for campus events, particularly including all doctoral graduation ceremonies in the Senaatszaal. The Aula features a magnificent 1000-seat Auditorium, multiple 200-seat lecture rooms, several smaller presentation rooms, and a spacious foyer. The large areas in and around the foyer will be used for registrations, coffee breaks, lunches, receptions and exhibition space for sponsors and exhibitors. The Auditorium will host the ceremonies and plenary talks.

How to reach the venue

Located on the north end of the TU Delft campus (the end closer to the city), the Aula Congress Center is accessible by foot, bicycle and public transport from most of the major hotels in Delft as well as from the Delft city centre.

There are several buses running from Delft main railway station to TU Delft campus. There are bus stops all over the campus. For specific information about your location, search for your destination in the interactive map above and then consult the travel planner.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to construction work on the TU Delft tram/bus lane, there are temporarily no buses running at selected stops around the campus. For more information, see bus service to TU Delft.
Aula Congress center: Floor map

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Accommodation

All participants are highly encouraged to use the links provided on the conference webpage and here below when organizing their travel arrangements and accommodation. To ensure utmost safety, all participants are also encouraged to stay vigilant against potential scam emails and communications.

The conference organizers in Delft arranged discounted deals with some hotels in Delft that are at close distance from the conference venue.

Hotels in Delft centre

- **Ibis styles** (Friendly Code: HB5M3-RE@accor.com)
  Send email to that address stating you are joining the MARSS conference, and they will give a 10% discount and will arrange the booking.)

- **Hotel Arsenaal** (Friendly Code: WESTCORDFRIEND)

- **Hampshire hotel**

- **The student hotel**

- **Hotel Grand Canal**

- **Hotel Johannes Vermeer**

Hotels in the surroundings of Delft

- **Westcord** (Friendly Code: WESTCORDFRIEND)

- **Campanile**

- **Shanghai hotel Holland**
Local transportation and Sightseeing

Traveling to Delft

Arriving by plane
Schipol Airport is the major airport hub of the Netherlands, and one of the largest in the world. Schipol Airport includes a train station, from which Delft main train station can be easily reached (see below). Alternatively, the Rotterdam-The Hague airport is closer to Delft, although not as well served and reachable.

Arriving by train
Delft is located on the high-speed train axis that directly connects Paris (FR) to den Haag (NL) and Amsterdam (NL) via Bruxelles (BE), Antwerpen (BE) and Rotterdam (NL). Travel schedules can be configured on the international Dutch Railways website (NS International).

Delft
Besides being home to the TU, Delft is a picturesque city with a rich history and an authentic intimate Dutch atmosphere. As testified by its structure and architecture, Delft played an important role during the Dutch Golden age. Located in South Holland, Delft is part of the Rotterdam–The Hague metropolitan area and the Randstad, and it is a popular tourist destination known for its historical ties to the House of Orange-Nassau, its iconic blue pottery (Delftware), and its association with the painter Johannes Vermeer.

Sightseeing in Delft
Here is a list of city highlights and recommended visit options for self-directed exploration of Delft and its surroundings.

1) East gate (Ooostpoort) – the last standing city gate and a most picturesque city highlight.

2) Historic city hall – dominating the main city square since centuries.

3) Nieuwe kerk & Oude Kerk – visit the most representative churches of Delft, home to bell towers and events.

4) Royal Delft Museum – the factory museum for Delft-ware, the world-famous blue-coloured pottery made by hand since 1653.
5) Vermeer centrum Delft – discover the world, city and life of Johannes Vermeer in the earth of Delft.

6) Museum Prinsenhof – discover through art the history of Willem van Oranje, Delfts Blue and the Delft Masters.

7) Molen de Roos – backery, mill, garden and shop in the building of a traditional and still working Dutch windmill at the edge of the old city.

8) Boat tour – explore historic Delft from a unique point of view: its centuries-old system of canals.

9) Botanical garden – the hortus botanicus of TU Delft, home of biodiversity.

Beyond Delft

Delft is easily connected to other great Dutch destinations:

The capital den Haag, the rising Rotterdam and its harbour, the cultural gem Leiden, and of course Amsterdam.

Each will reserve a distinctly memorable experience!
Useful Information

MARSS2024 Registration Desk

The conference registration desk (Aula Congress Center) will be opened on July 01, 16:00−20:00 and will remain open during the conference (July 02−04). At the registration desk, you will receive your welcome bag with a name badge and conference materials. You are kindly requested to wear your name badge throughout the conference. Our support team at the registration desk and MARSS volunteers at the venue (easy to identify by the MARSS T-shirts), will be happy to assist you with any questions you may have.

Digital Download of the Conference Proceedings

Link: https://surfdrive.surf.nl/files/index.php/s/v8UDvQ4zswqNLC0
Password: TUDMARSS2024yeah
Instructions: (1) Click on the link above. (2) Enter the password mentioned above (if requested). (3) Download the zip file on your computer. (4) Unzip the file to a local folder in your computer. (5) Start exploring the proceeding.

Information for Speakers

The official language of the conference is English. All speakers should locate their session room 5−10 minutes prior to the start of the session, and inform the session chair on their arrival. Each session room has a video projector. Please use your own laptop for the presentation. It is advisable to try your laptop with the video projector in advance, during break time, to ensure the connection is working. On-site technical assistance will be available.

All presentations must adhere strictly to the allotted time to ensure smooth working. The time allocation for presentations at MARSS2024 is as follows:

- Plenary talk: 40 min (35 min + 5 min discussion)
- Technical session talk: 20 min (15 min + 5 min discussion)

Information for Session Chairs

Session chair should arrive at the session room 10 minutes prior to the start of the session, check the attendance of all speakers and make sure of correct pronunciation for the speakers’ introduction. If a speaker is not present in the session, the original schedule has to be maintained, since people may come from other parallel sessions to attend a specific talk. Thus, in such a case, there will be a 20-minute break. Please report any missing talk to the conference secretariat after the session end.
It is crucial that the sessions run strictly on schedule. Each 20 minutes slot normally includes 15 minutes talk and 5 minutes Q&A. Session chairs should warn the speakers 7 minutes before the end of the 20 minutes slot and show the “2 min” cardboard sign. Some speakers are uncooperative and use all 20 minutes for the talk. Please be firm in not permitting speakers to run over the allotted time of 20 minutes. In such cases, there is no Q&A. If necessary, ask the attendees to use the microphone during discussion.

Food and Beverage

All refreshment breaks will be served at the scheduled time in the foyer on the 1st floor. Lunch will also be provided in the foyer, and it is included in the registration fee. Drinking water will be provided throughout the conference.

Award Ceremony

The Award Ceremony is an essential part of the MARSS2024 Closing Ceremony, which will start at 17:20 on July 04 in the Auditorium just after the last plenary talk. All accepted and presented full papers will compete for Best Paper Awards in different categories. The Awards Committee will announce and present the prizes to all the nominees and winners.

MARSS2024 will present the annual Big-on-Small Award to promote upcoming talents with an excellent research track and international visibility. Members of the Steering Committee and the Academic Advisory Board nominated five candidates and decided by anonymous voting. At the Award Ceremony, all nominees will receive a certificate of Award nomination, and the Big-on-Small Award winner will be announced and honored by laudation.

Conference Banquet Dinner

If you are registered for the full duration of the conference, you will receive a banquet ticket at registration. The MARSS conference banquet is always an informal event, without a strict agenda. We enjoy a relaxed get-together, conversation with colleagues, and some fabulous cuisine in a unique location after the exciting yet work-intensive conference days.

Date: July 04 (Thu), 2024
Time: 18:30 – 22:00
Location: Nieuwe kerk, Markt 80, 2611 GW Delft

The location of the banquet dinner can be easily reached by foot, bike or public transport from the Aula Congress Center. Let’s enjoy the final evening of our great event on the long summer day together!