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The aim of the Promise Winter School on information retrieval and information visualization is to cover basic concepts in the core topics that constitute the multidisciplinary area of multilingual information retrieval.

The school is a week-long event consisting of guest lectures from invited speakers who are recognized experts in the field.

The School is intended for PhD students, Masters students or senior researchers such as post-doctoral researchers from the fields of information visualization, information retrieval and related fields.



# PROMISE

Participative Research labOratory for Multimedia  
and Multilingual Information Systems Evaluation

## Winter School 2012

**Zinal, Valais - Switzerland**

**23 - 27 January 2012**

**Information Retrieval  
meets  
Information Visualization**

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## Programme

### Monday 23rd

14:00 Beginning of the Winter School

14:00 – 17:30 Lectures

17:30 – 21:00 Poster Session with Welcome reception

### Tuesday 24th to Thursday 26th

8:30 – 12:00 Lectures

12:00 – 16:30 Skiing

16:30 – 20:00 Lectures

20:15 Dinner

### Friday 27th

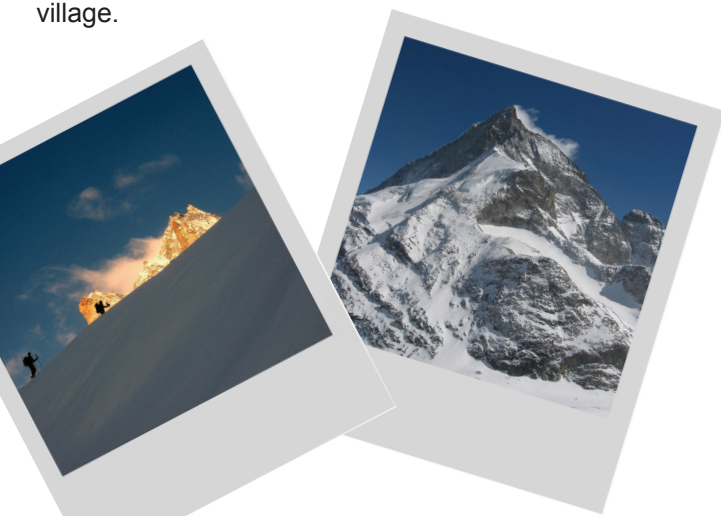
08:30 – 12:00 Lectures

12:00 end of the Winter School

**Visit the web site for the detailed programme.**

## Accommodation

Participants will be accommodated at the **Hotel Europe**, the largest hotel in Zinal and in other hotels close by in the village.



## Registration

Registrations will be accepted until September 15th, 2011. Participants will receive their notification at the end of September 2011.

### Registration fees

Student (masters/PhD): 350€ / 400€ / 490€ \*

Post doc / Academia: 420€ / 530€ \*\*

Industry: 500€ / 650€ \*\*

\* triple room/double/single

\*\* double room/single

The fees include:

- admission to all lectures
- course material
- accommodation (including breakfast)
- daily coffee breaks- dinners- social event
- bus transportation from Sierre to Zinal (only at the beginning and the end of the school)

*Lunches are not included.*

Grants are available. Please contact us.

More information:

[www.promise-noe.eu/events/winter-school-2012](http://www.promise-noe.eu/events/winter-school-2012)

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## Where is Zinal?

Zinal is a village located at an altitude of 1670m, in the canton of Valais in Switzerland. It is a well-known ski resort of the Swiss Alps.

## How to get to Zinal?

### By plane

> To Geneva International Airport, then by train, Geneva-Sierre, and by bus, Sierre-Zinal.

> To Milano Malpensa Airport, then by train Milano-Sierre via Brig, and by bus Sierre-Zinal.

> To Zurich Airport, then by train Zurich-Sierre via Visp, and by bus Sierre-Zinal.

### By car

A9 motorway to Sierre-est, then follow the road signposted to Ayer-Zinal. The access roads are cleared all year round. By train The Swiss train network is very well connected to other European countries, such as France, Germany or Italy.

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