1. Introduction

Gather Town will be open for the duration of the IOP 2021 conference and will be used to host the poster session. Use the Gather Town link to connect to the conference event. It is recommended to use Chrome or Firefox. Safari should work now, but as been shown to have issues occasionally (Please give browser permission for audio and video).

https://gather.town/i/U989Zr54

Password: EdiIOP2021

At the loading screening, set you avatar appearance and name using the “Edit Character” button. Select the desired camera, microphone and speaker before proceeding by clicking “Join the Gathering”.

This should take you into the IOP2021 Gather Town where you can explore the map freely and interact with other participants. You may go to the Gather Town for private discussion during the sessions as well, or even continue beyond the specified end times listed on indico’s timetable. You are also welcome to check out the site ahead of time.
Navigate the space and move your avatar using arrow keys. If the arrow keys are not working, click anywhere in the space and try again.

2. Interactions

You will only be able to see and hear people either “near” you or in the same private space. If you walk away, they will fade until you will no longer see/hear them. If you are stuck in between people, use the ‘g’ key (ghost mode) to hop over other avatars.

Each small room on the map is a private space that all participants are welcome to use for any discussions. Anyone in the room can only interact with others in the same room.

You can locate specific participant by clicking on their name and either choosing “Locate on map” or “Follow” and follow the yellow brick road.
3. Poster Sessions

All posters are located in the north region of the main lobby. They are divided into 6 rooms from left to right starting with room 1 for APP, 2, 3, 4 for HEPP and 5, 6 for NP. Each room can be entered from the main lobby and are all interconnected.

Once you are in the poster room you can see a preview of a poster by entering the orange area around the poster. To see the full resolution poster, press x on your keyboard.

There is a 9 square grey area in red which is a designated private space for each poster. This is for exchange of ideas with the poster presenter and for questions.
4. Technical Difficulties

Refreshing will fix most things in Gather Town. If you are having issues hearing or being heard, check the Audio and Video settings to see if you are using the right inputs.

Make sure you gave your browser permission to access your video and audio devices.

5. Using a phone or tablet

You can access the site using a mobile device. However, you won't be able to turn your video on or access the menus and settings.