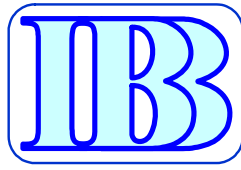


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susținută de ***dr. Karim Benzerara***

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Conferința va avea loc în ziua de 9 noiembrie 2011, după programul de mai jos, în Aula Academiei Române, Calea Victoriei nr. 125, Sector 1, București.

Program:

- 9:30 - 9:35 – conference opening

- 9:35 - 10:20 – lecture 1

*Iron biomineralization by neutrophilic anaerobic Fe –
oxidizing bacteria: a nanoscale perspective*

- 10:20 - 10:45 – coffee break

- 10:45 - 11:30 – lecture 2

Bio-mineralogical study of stromatolites at the nanoscale

- 11:30 - 11:45 – concluding remarks and closing

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