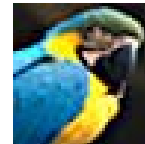


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OPAG Update - September 6, 2007

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Thursday, November 8

8:00	Steering Committee Meeting	
9:00	Welcome & PSS report	Fran Bagenal (OPAG Chair, Univ. of CO)
9:30	Flagship studies	
	- report on reviews / next steps	Curt Niebur (NASA HQ) plus others
9:45	ESA Cosmic Visions	Gerhardt Schwehm (ESA)
BREAK		
10:30	Comet Surface Sample Return Study	Weaver, A'Hearn, Fountain
LUNCH		
1:00	Solar Power Study	Scott Benson (GRC)
1:30	Wirtanen Surface Sample Probe: A Comet Surface Mission Design	K.M. Block (Univ AZ) & S.M. Singer (Univ MD)
2:00	DSMCE	Curt Niebur (NASA HQ)
BREAK		
3:00	Probe Workshop report	Sushil Atreya or Jim Cutts
3:30	NOSSE - New Frontiers study	TBD
4:00	NASA Astrobiology Institute Icy Worlds Focus Group workshop	Ron Greeley (ASU)
4:30	Open Mike	

Friday, November 9

9:00	HQ Update	Jim Green (Div. Dir., NASA HQ)
BREAK		
10:30	Titan airplane study	Steve Howe (USRA)
11:00	Discussion of future OPAG issues	Fran Bagenal

## LUNCH

1:30      Actions, Findings, and Logistics

Something to think about.....

OPAG has been working hard for the past 3 years to get a flagship mission started. While we will need to continue activity, the 4 flagship studies plus activities at both NASA and ESA encourage one to believe an outer planets flagship mission may indeed happen. So, your OPAG chair urges you to start thinking about what's next.... bring your ideas to the meeting.

For meeting information see <http://www.lpi.usra.edu/opag>

We will aim to end the meeting by 2 pm on Friday.

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## 2 - NEW DUE DATE FOR OUTER PLANETS RESEARCH PROPOSALS

The due date for proposals submitted to the Outer Planets Research program element described in Appendix C.7 of ROSES-2007 has been changed. The due date for submitting a proposal has been changed from November 2, 2007, to November 16, 2007.

This change is being made in recognition of the severe difficulties that our colleagues in Southern California are experiencing due to wildfires and their attendant dislocations. This change will allow additional proposal preparation time for proposers who may have been impacted by the wildfires in Southern California. This delay is intended to allow adequate time for all proposers to prepare high-quality, responsive proposals. Proposers who were not affected by the wildfires and who are on schedule to have their proposals ready by November 2, 2007, are encouraged to submit at that time so as to minimize any impact on their schedules.

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Further information about this program element is available from Dr. Curt Niebur, Planetary Science Division, Science Mission Directorate, NASA, Washington, DC 20546-0001; Telephone: (202) 358-0390; E-mail: [Curt.Niebur@nasa.gov](mailto:Curt.Niebur@nasa.gov).

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## 3 - BROADENED JUPITER DATA ANALYSIS PROGRAM

At the recent DPS meeting it was announced that the New Horizons Jupiter Data Analysis Program (NHJDAP) would be broadened to include the analysis of older data in the Jupiter system, not just from the New Horizons mission. This is appropriate in that the Galileo mission data returned after calendar year 2000 was never open to a Data Analysis Program. Furthermore the planetary community has been greatly stimulated by the new Flagship studies in the Jupiter system and this provides a perfect opportunity to support further mission studies in this area.

In order to have the Planetary Data System nodes prepare for analysis of the older data and complete the ingesting of all the recent New Horizons Jupiter system encounter data our plan is to release both the Cassini DAP and the revised JDAP calls in ROSES 2008 as early in the year as possible (February 2008). The due dates will be separated by 2-4 weeks to facilitate PIs proposing to both. The due dates will be in the May timeframe with a review panel meeting in the summer. Please carefully check the upcoming NSPIRES announcements and program calls for additional details or contact James Green ([james.green@nasa.gov](mailto:james.green@nasa.gov)) or Denis Bogan ([dbogan@nasa.gov](mailto:dbogan@nasa.gov)).

For future information on this announcement, check <http://nspires.nasaprs.com/>

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