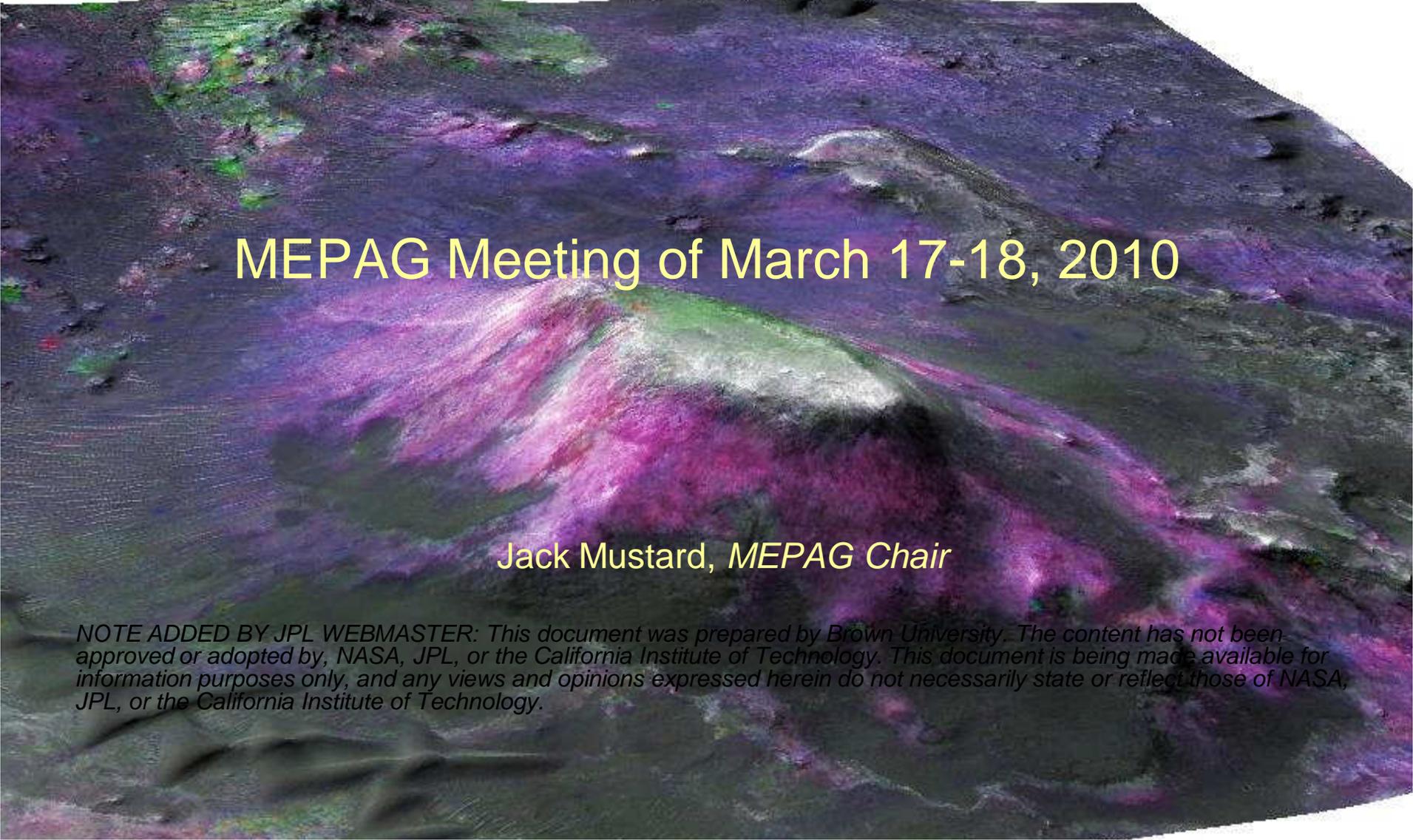


A banner for the Mars Exploration Program Analysis Group (MEPAG). The background is a dark, textured surface, possibly a Mars crater, with a large, reddish-orange sphere of Mars in the upper right corner. The text is white and bold.

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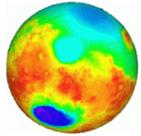
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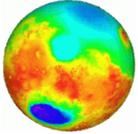
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Developments in Mars Exploration Since July 2009 MEPAG Meeting



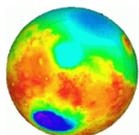
- Mars Science Laboratory (MSL) continues development and is retiring risk
- Mars Atmosphere and Volatile Evolution Mission (MAVEN) is beginning development as the 2013 Scout mission (B. Jakosky PI)
- ESA and NASA have been involved in detailed discussions of a future program together and a joint call for Investigations for the 2016 ExoMars Orbiter was released (Due April 15)
- The Decadal Survey is making progress, last meeting of the Mars Panel is April
- New Presidents budget is a change in direction for NASA



Goals for this Meeting

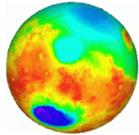


- Update the community on progress in the exploration of Mars including NASA, European Space Agency
- Evaluate and provide input to ongoing activities and SAGs
 - 2 Rover International SAG
 - Goal I and IV updates
 - Trace Gas Orbiter (Joint between NASA-ESA)
- Initiate activities from MEPAG to develop positions and inputs to future MEP activities



Agenda for MEPAG meeting of March 17 & 18, 2010 in Monrovia, CA

<u>Start</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Agenda Item</u>	
Note: Unless otherwise indicated, all time speakers should assume that 30-50% of their time allocation is for discussion.			
Day 1 – Wednesday March 17, 2010			
08:30 AM	00:15	Welcome; MEPAG Purpose, Scope, Expected Results	J. Mustard
08:45 AM	00:45	Mars Program Director's Comments	D. McCuiston
09:30 AM	00:45	ESA's Mars Exploration Activities	M. Coradini
10:15 AM	00:15	Break	
10:30 AM	00:30	Mars Program Status	F. Li
11:00 AM	00:45	Mars Program Lead Scientist's Comments	M. Meyer
11:45 AM	00:15	Decadal Survey Mars Panel	P. Christensen
12:00 PM	01:30	Lunch	
01:30 PM		Reports on Mission Planning Activity	
01:30 PM	00:45	Mars Sample Return (three element architecture)	F. Li
02:15 PM	00:30	<i>2018 Mission (MAX-C, ExoMars, etc.)</i>	C. Salvo/A. Elfving
02:45 PM	00:15	Break	
03:00 PM	01:15	<i>2 Rover International SAG (2R-iSAG)</i>	F. Westall/J. Grant
04:15 PM	00:45	Day 1 discussion and wrap-up	J. Mustard
05:00 PM		Adjourn	



MEPAG Agenda, Day 2



Day 2 – Thursday March 18, 2010			
08:30 AM	00:15	Recap of yesterday and goals for today	J. Mustard
08:45 AM	00:30	<i>Mars Network SAG</i>	B. Banerdt, T. Spohn
09:15 AM		MEPAG Goals Update	
09:15 AM	00:20	MEPAG Goals summary	J. Johnson
09:35 AM	00:15	Break	
09:50 AM	00:45	MEPAG Goals I update	T. Hoehler/F. Westall
10:35 AM	01:00	MEPAG Goals IV update	D. Lim/A. Tripathi
11:35 AM	01:30	Lunch	
01:05 PM		Workshop reports	
01:05 PM	00:20	Geological Mapping of Mars	K. Tanaka/G. Ori
01:25 PM	00:20	Workshop on Methane on Mars	J. Vago
01:45 PM	00:45	Landing site update	M. Golombek/J.
02:30 PM	00:30	Discussion/Future Planning for MEPAG Activities	J. Mustard
03:00 PM		Adjourn	