

**3<sup>rd</sup> Information Circular**  
**27<sup>th</sup> MEPAG Meeting**  
**February 27, 2013**  
**Web meeting**

MEPAG Meeting Logistics

Members of the Mars community,

On behalf of Dave Des Marais, MEPAG Chairperson, we cordially invite you to participate in the 27<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Mars Exploration Program Analysis Group (MEPAG), scheduled as an electronic meeting for February 27, 2013. This meeting replaces the two-day physical meeting previously scheduled Feb. 26-27 for the Washington, DC area.

**Using Adobe Connect (instructions below and on the MEPAG website), this new meeting will occur from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. EST (8 a.m. to noon PST) this coming Wednesday, February 27, 2013.**

A major development regarding future Mars missions since the last MEPAG meeting was the announcement by NASA Associate Administrator Dr. John Grunsfeld of a Mars Rover to be launched in 2020. MEPAG has invited NASA HQ to discuss in greater depth the status of the Mars Exploration Program, near term steps and what it means for the Mars community.

The current agenda is included below (second page).

The meeting is open to all members of the Mars science community including our international colleagues. Thanks for your understanding regarding this meeting change. We look forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

Richard Zurek  
Charles Budney  
*MEPAG Chair Support*  
*Mars Program Office, JPL*

If you need additional information, please contact Charles Budney, MEPAG meeting coordinator, [charles.j.budney@jpl.nasa.gov](mailto:charles.j.budney@jpl.nasa.gov), phone = 818-354-3981. If you have updates to the master MEPAG e-mail list (either correction of faulty e-mail addresses, addition of Mars science colleagues who have been inadvertently omitted), or deletions, please contact Joyce Pulliam ([Joyce.N.Pulliam@jpl.nasa.gov](mailto:Joyce.N.Pulliam@jpl.nasa.gov)).

## Agenda for MEPAG web meeting of February 27, 2013

Electronic Meeting (Adobe Connect): 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. EST

<u>Start</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Agenda Item</u>	
<b>Meeting Day: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 All Times are EST (PST + 3hrs)</b>			
11:00 AM	0:15	Welcome; Desired Outcomes; Agenda	D. Des Marais, MEPAG Chair
11:15 AM	0:45	NASA: Status & Future of MEP	J. Grunsfeld/J. Green
12:00 PM	0:30	2020 Rover SDT	J. Green/M. Meyer
12:30 PM	0:20	Discussion	
12:50 PM	0:30	Continuing Mission Status/Plans (MSL etc.)	R. Gibbs
01:20 PM	0:20	HEO plans, possibilities, and priorities	B. Drake for M. Wargo
01:40 PM	0:20	Report on The Present-Day Habitability of Mars Workshop	D. Paige
02:00 PM	1:00	Discussion/Future Planning for MEPAG Activities	D. Des Marais, MEPAG Chair
03:00 PM		Adjourn	

### Adobe Connect Directions for the MEPAG Conference

MEPAG Meeting, Virtual

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### Adobe Connect Directions for Wednesday February 27, 2013

Date: February 27, 2013

Time: 11:00 AM, Eastern Standard Time (EST) (New York, GMT-05:00)

1. Go to: <http://connect.arc.nasa.gov/mepag/>
2. Select the radio box next to "**Enter as Guest**"
3. Please provide your full name and affiliation for our records.
4. Click "**Enter Room**". *NOTE:* The meeting begins at 11:00 AM EST. The meeting room is set up so participants can ensure Adobe Connect is working properly.

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