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11th Virtual MEPAG Meeting (VM11)
Wednesday, January 27, 2021
1:00 pm-5:00 pm EST

Members of the Mars community,

I cordially invite you to participate in the next virtual meeting (VM11) of the Mars Exploration Program Analysis Group (MEPAG), scheduled on Wednesday, January 27th, 2021, at 1:00 pm-5:00 pm EST. The meeting will be recorded and the chat box comments captured for those of you who are unable to attend. Those items will be posted at <https://mepag.jpl.nasa.gov/meetings.cfm?expand=vm11>

The agenda is below and includes updates about recent MEPAG, Mars Exploration Program, and Mars Sample Return (MSR) status and activities, including NASA responses to the recent MSR Independent Review Board (IRB) report. There will also be reports on the Decadal Survey Mars Panel activities, a Human Exploration & Operations (HEO) update, and a debrief on a recent Humans to Mars Conference. We know it is a busy time, but this is a chance to catch up on the many changes in Mars exploration planning.

WebEx connectivity information is below. This meeting is open to all members of the Mars science community including our international colleagues, and I look forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

Dr. R. Aileen Yingst
MEPAG Chair

If you have a comment or question about the meeting, please email mepagmeetings@jpl.nasa.gov.

MEPAG VM11 January 27, 2021			
Agenda Version 1-12-2021			
PST	Topic	Speaker	EST
10:00 AM	MEPAG Update (incl. IRB* key highlights)	R. A. Yingst	1:00 PM
10:15 AM	MEP Status	E. Ianson M. Meyer	1:15 PM
10:50 AM	Mars Sample Return Program (incl. IRB recommendations response)	J. Gramling M. Meyer	1:50 PM
11:35 AM	Mars Organization at JPL	R. Braun	2:35 PM
11:50 AM	NASA Perspectives on future exploration science at Mars	J. Watzin	2:50 PM
12:05 PM	Question & Answer Session	All	3:05 PM
12:20 PM	DS update	V. Hamilton	3:20 PM
12:50 PM	HEO update	J. Bleacher M. Rucker	3:50 PM
1:20 PM	H2M Conference debrief	S. Hubbard	4:20 PM
1:35 PM	Question & Answer Session	All	4:35 PM
1:50 PM	Findings/Action Items	R. A. Yingst	4:50 PM
2:00 PM	End		5:00 PM
	*IRB = MSR Independent Review Board		

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