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MEPAG #27 Web Meeting

To those of you who tuned in to the MEPAG web meeting, we would appreciate your feedback as to the web meeting process. Please send your feedback to joyce.n.pulliam@jpl.nasa.gov. We will use the feedback to improve future meetings.

Near-term Due Dates (next three months)

Due	Project
3/1	AbGradCon 2013 abstracts deadline
3/13	European Geosciences Union Gen. Assembly early registration deadline
3/29	SPICE class registration deadline
3/31	Davos Atmosphere and Cryosphere Assembly early registration deadline
5/31	Planet Mars 4 Workshop registration deadline
5/31	First COSPAR Symposium... abstracts deadline

Upcoming Conferences and Workshops

Type	Date & Location	Event Information
<i>First Quarter, 2013</i>		
	March 6-8, 2013 Washington, DC, USA	The Committee on Astrobiology and Planetary Science The National Academy of Science
	March 12-14, 2013 Kennedy Space Center, FL, USA	Planetary Protection: Policies and Practices Course Enrollment: 14 participants – Cost \$500 Contact tsalb@msn.com http://planetaryprotection.nasa.gov/course
	March 16-17, 2013 The Woodlands, TX, USA	Lunar Farside and Poles: New Destinations of Exploration (just prior to LPSC 44) http://www.planetary.brown.edu/html_pages/micro54.htm
	March 18-23, 2013 The Woodlands, TX, USA	44th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference http://www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/lpsc2013

Second Quarter, 2013

	April 3-6, 2013 Gainesville, FL, USA	From Start to Life Conference First announcement http://conference.astro.ufl.edu/STARSTOLIFE/
	April 7-12, 2013 Vienna, AUSTRIA	European Geosciences Union General Assembly 2013 Session PS2.4: Mars Science and Exploration. This session will address the latest results on the interior, surface, atmosphere and ionosphere of Mars from recent and ongoing Mars missions, in addition to future goals and experiments. http://www.equ2013.eu/
	April 17-19, 2013 Edinburgh, SCOTLAND	UK Astrobiology Conference http://www.astrobiology.ac.uk/astrobiology-conference-2013
	April 23-25, 2013 Monrovia, CA, USA	SPICE Class Contact Chuck Acton at Charles.H.Acton@jpl.nasa.gov http://naif.jpl.nasa.gov/naif/announcements_SPICE-2013
	April 29-May 2, 2013 Baltimore, MD, USA	Habitable Worlds Across Time and Space http://www.stsci.edu/institute/conference/habitable-worlds/
	May 6-8, 2013 Washington, DC, USA	Humans to Mars Summit (H2M) Lisner Auditorium at George Washington University http://h2m.exploremars.org
	May 8, 2013 Pasadena, CA, USA	2001 Mars Odyssey PSG Meeting Jet Propulsion Laboratory
	May 28-29, 2013 Ithaca, NY, USA	iCubeSat 2013 – The 2nd Interplanetary CubeSat Workshop Register today, submit abstracts today http://iCubeSat.org
	June 3-7, 2013 Darmstadt, GERMANY	Mars Express 10th Anniversary Celebration To be held at ESOC
	June 10-14, 2013 Montreal, CANADA	AbGradCon 2013 An interdisciplinary conference organized by and for graduate students and early career scientists. Deadline for abstracts submission is March 1, 2013 http://www.abgradcon.org
	June 11-14, 2013 Hoor, SWEDEN	Isotopes as Diagnostic Tools in Astronomy, Geology and Biology http://www.nordicastrobiology.net/Isotopes2013/
	June 17-21, 2013 San Jose, CA, USA	10th International Planetary Probe Workshop (IPPW10) Short Course: Entry, Descent, and Landing Systems – June 15-16, 2013 http://www.ippw10.com/
	June 18-20, 2013 Pasadena, CA, USA	10th IAA Low-Cost Planetary Missions Conference (LCPM-10) at California Institute of Technology (Caltech). More details to follow http://lcpm10.caltech.edu
	June 24-28, 2013 Annapolis, MD, USA	AGU Chapman Conference – Crossing Boundaries in Planetary Atmospheres: From Earth to Exoplanets http://chapman.agu.org/planetaryatmospheres
<i>Third Quarter, 2013</i>		
	July 1-4, 2013 Shanghai, CHINA	International Symposium on Planetary Science (IAPS2013) http://202.127.29.4/meetings/iaps2013

	July 7-12, 2013 Cologne, GERMANY	19th IAA Humans in Space Symposium http://http://www.his2013.com/
	July 7-14, 2013 Davos, SWITZERLAND	Davos Atmosphere and Cryosphere Assembly (DACA-13) http://www.daca-13.org
	July 9-11, 2013 Pasadena, CA, USA	9th Meeting of the NASA Small Bodies Assessment Group http://www.lpi.usra.edu/sbag/meetings/
	July 15-19, 2013 Pasadena, CA, USA	8th International Conference on Mars California Institute of Technology
	July 16-18, 2013 Moffett Field, CA, USA	NASA Lunar Science Forum http://lunarscience.nasa.gov/2013
	July 22-25, 2013 Szczecin, POLAND	13th European Workshop on Astrobiology http://www.astrobiologia.pl.eana/
	July 29-August 2, 2013 Edmonton, Alberta, CANADA	76th Annual Meeting of the Meteoritical Society http://www.metsoc2013edmonton.org
	August 5-8, 2013 Sudbury, Ontario, CANADA	Large Meteorite Impacts and Planetary Evolution V Conference Abstracts deadline May 23, 2013 http://www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/sudbury2013/
	August 15-18, 2013 Boulder, CO, USA	2013 International Mars Society Convention Convened by the Mars Society space advocacy group. Hear from dozens of key scientists, experts and policymakers about Mars exploration, including updates on NASA's Curiosity rover and MAVEN spacecraft, scheduled for launch this November, as well as planning for a humans-to-Mars mission. http://www.marssociety.org/
	August 16-25, 2013 Kuressaare, ESTONIA	Summer Course: "Impacts and their Role in the Evolution of Life" http://www.nordicastrobiology.net/Impacts2013/
	August 27-31, 2013 Paris, FRANCE	IAG/AIG International Conference on Geomorphology http://www.geomorphology-iag-paris2013.com/en
	September 9-13, 2013 London, UK	European Planetary Science Conference (EPSC 2013) http://www.epsc2013.eu
	September 24-28, 2013 Medellin, COLOMBIA	2nd International Congress of Astrobiology in Columbia http://www.astrobiologia.org/2-congreso-internacional-de-astrobiologia.html
<i>Fourth Quarter, 2013</i>		
	October 6-11, 2013 Denver, CO, USA	45th Meeting of the American Astronomical Society Division for Planetary Sciences (DPS 2013) http://aas.org/meetings/45th-meeting-division-planetary-sciences
	October 14-16, 2013 Laurel, MD, USA	Lunar Exploration Analysis Group Meeting http://www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/leag2013/
	October 20-25, 2013 Les Houches, FRANCE	Planet Mars 4 Workshop http://www.sciops.esa.int/mars4

	October 27-30, 2013 Denver, CO, USA	Geological Society of America Annual Meeting
	November 11-15, 2013 Bangkok, THAILAND	First COSPAR Symposium on "Planetary Systems of Our Sun and Other Stars, and the Future of Space Astronomy" Abstracts deadline May 31, 2013 http://www.cospar2013.gistda.or.th/
	November 18, 2013	MAVEN Launch Period Opens
	November 19-21, 2013 Washington, DC, USA	Venus Exploration Analysis Group (VEXAG) Meeting Contact Lori Glaze (lori.s.glaze@nasa.gov)
	December 9-13, 2013 San Francisco, CA, USA	AGU Fall Meeting
<i>2014</i>		
	March 2014	45th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference
	July 6-11, 2014 Nara, JAPAN	ORIGINS 2014 http://www.origin-life.gr.jp/origins2014/index.html
	August 2-10, 2014 Moscow, RUSSIA	40th COSPAR 2014 and Associated Events http://www.cospar-assembly.org/
	September 22, 2014	MAVEN Mars Orbit Insertion (MOI)
	October 19-22, 2014 Vancouver, British Columbia, CANADA	Geological Society of America Annual Meeting
	November 9-14, 2014 Tucson, AZ, USA	46th Meeting of the American Astronomical Society Division of Planetary Sciences (DPS 2014) http://dps.aas.org/meetings
	December 15-19, 2014 San Francisco, CA, USA	AGU Fall Meeting
<i>2015</i>		
	March 2015	46th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference
	November 1-4, 2015 Baltimore, MD, USA	Geological Society of America Annual Meeting
<i>2016</i>		
	March 8, 2016	20-Day InSight Launch Window Opens
	September 20, 2016	InSight Arrival at Mars

Special holidays to consider when scheduling conferences/workshops/meetings:

Good Friday	3/29/2013	4/18/2014	4/3/2015	4/6/2016	4/14/2017
Rosh Hashanah	9/5/2013	9/25/2014	9/14/2015	9/16/2016	9/20/2017
Yom Kippur	9/14/2013	10/4/2014	9/23/2015	9/25/2016	9/29/2017
(Note that Jewish holidays start at sundown the previous evening).					
Thanksgiving Day, U.S.	11/28/2013	11/27/2014	11/26/2015	11/22/2016	11/23/2017
Thanksgiving Day, Canada	10/14/2013	10/13/2014	10/12/2015	10/8/2016	10/9/2017
Christmas Day	12/25/2013	12/25/2014	12/25/2015	12/25/2016	12/25/2017

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