

Mars Exploration Science Monthly Newsletter

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Next MEPAG Meeting – October 3-4, 2012 – Monrovia, CA

Mars Science News

Near-term Due Dates (next three months)

Due	Project
8/7	Lunar Exploration Analysis Group abstracts deadline
8/8	AGU Fall Meeting abstracts and town hall submission deadline
8/14	Geological Society of America abstracts deadline
8/15	12th European Workshop on Astrobiology abstracts deadline
8/31	3rd Planetary Crater Consortium abstracts deadline
9/3	44th DPS Annual Meeting late abstract submission deadline
9/5	3rd Conference on Terrestrial Analogues abstracts deadline
9/7	2012 Canadian Space Summit abstracts deadline
9/12	Humans to Mars Summit prelaunch registration deadline
9/30	Int'l Workshop on Instrumentation for Planetary Missions registration deadline

Upcoming Conferences and Workshops

Type	Date & Location	Event Information
<i>Third Quarter, 2012</i>		
	August 5-10, 2012 Brisbane, AUSTRALIA	The 34th International Geological Congress http://34igc.org/
	August 12-17, 2012 Cairns, Queensland AUSTRALIA	75th Annual Meeting of the Meteoritical Society Contact: Trevor Ireland http://www.meteoriticalsociety.org/simple_template.cfm?code=news_meetings
	Update August 6, 2012	MSL Landing!!!! August 6 - 1:31 a.m. Eastern time August 5 - 10:31 p.m. Pacific time
	August 6-10, 2012 Beijing, CHINA	International Workshop Planning – Mars and the Moon: Changing Perspectives and New Questions Will include scientists from the US, Europe, and China and will encompass all aspects of Mars and Moon science. Please email your interest (highly likely or possible) to Roger Yelle at yelle@lpl.arizona.edu .

	August 13-17, 2012 Sentosa, SINGAPORE	AOGS-AGU (WPBM) Joint Assembly http://www.asiaoceania.org/aogs2012/public.asp?page=home.htm
	August 28, 2012 Pasadena, CA, USA	2001 Mars Odyssey Meeting Jet Propulsion Laboratory
	September 10-12, 2012 Rome, ITALY	1970-2010: The Golden Age of Solar System Exploration http://goldenage2012.ifac.cnr.it/index.php/goldenage2012/goldenage2012
	September 10-12, 2012 Houston, TX, USA	The Mantle of Mars: Insights from Theory, Geophysics, High-Pressure Studies, and Meteorites http://www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/marsmantle2012/
	September 19-21, 2012 Flagstaff, AZ, USA	3rd Planetary Crater Consortium meeting Abstracts deadline August 31, 2012 http://www.planetarycraterconsortium.nau.edu
	September 23-28, 2012 Madrid, SPAIN	European Planetary Science Congress 2012 http://www.epsc2012.eu/information/deadlines_and_milestones.html
	September 29, 2012	Start of Mars Northern Fall
<i>Fourth Quarter, 2012</i>		
	October 3-4, 2012 Monrovia, CA, USA	MEPAG #26
	October 4-6, 2012 Mountain View, CA, USA	First International Workshop on LunarCubes http://lunar-cubes.com
	October 8-12, 2012 Moscow, RUSSIA	Third Moscow Solar System Symposium http://ms2012.cosmos.ru/
	October 10-12, 2012 Greenbelt, MD, USA	International Workshop on Instrumentation for Planetary Missions Registration deadline September 30, 2012 http://ssed.gsfc.nasa.gov/IPM.html
	October 14-19, 2012 Reno, NV, USA	44th DPS Annual Meeting Late abstract submission deadline September 3, 2012
	October 15-17, 2012 Stockholm, SWEDEN	12th European Workshop on Astrobiology (EANA 2012) Registration deadline August 15, 2012 http://agenda.albanova.se/conferenceDisplay.py?confid=2996
	Update October 22-24, 2012 Greenbelt, MD, USA	Annual Lunar Exploration Analysis Group Meeting (LEAG 2012) Abstracts deadline August 7, 2012 http://www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/leag2012/
	Update October 25-27, 2012 Marrakech, MOROCCO	3rd Conference on Terrestrial Mars Analogues The second circular with details on registration, accommodations and field trip is posted on the web site. Abstracts deadline September 5, 2012 http://www.ibnbattutacentre.org/conf/mars2012/
	November 4-7, 2012 Charlotte, NC, USA	Geological Society of America Annual Meeting Abstracts deadline August 14, 2012

	November 14-16, 2012 Ontario, CANADA	2012 Canadian Space Summit - "Bridging Communities: Unifying the Canadian Space Sector" Western University. Abstracts deadline September 7, 2012 http://css2012.uwo.ca
	December 2, 2012 San Francisco, CA, USA	MAVEN Science Community Workshop Day-long discussion of MAVEN science goals, measurements, mission plan, etc., to inform science community. More information is posted at http://lasp.colorado.edu/maven
	December 3-7, 2012 San Francisco, CA, USA	AGU Fall Meeting Deadline for abstracts and town hall submission is August 8, 2012
<i>2013</i>		
	February 2013 Morocco	MAR2013 Northern Sahara Mars Analog Field Simulation http://www.oewf.org/cms/mars2013.phtml
	February 26-27, 2013 Washington, DC, USA	Mars Exploration Program Analysis Group (MEPAG) #27 Save the date
	March 18-23, 2013 The Woodlands, TX, USA	44th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference http://www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/lpsc2013
	March 6-8, 2013 Washington, DC, USA	The Committee on Astrobiology and Planetary Science The National Academy of Science
	April 17-19, 2013 Edinburgh, SCOTLAND	UK Astrobiology Conference http://www.astrobiology.ac.uk/astrobiology-conference-2013
	May 6-8, 2013 Washington, DC, USA	Humans to Mars Summit (H2M) Lisner Auditorium at George Washington University Prelaunch registration deadline September 12, 2012 http://h2m.eventbrite.com or http://www.exploremars.org
	June 3-7, 2013 Darmstadt, GERMANY	Mars Express 10th Anniversary Celebration To be held at ESOC
	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
	August 27-31, 2013 Paris, FRANCE	IAG/AIG International Conference on Geomorphology http://www.geomorphology-iag-paris2013.com/en
	September 24-28, 2013 Medellin, COLUMBIA	2nd International Congress of Astrobiology in Columbia http://www.astrobiologia.org/2-congreso-internacional-de-astrobiologia.html
	October 27-30, 2013 Denver, CO, USA	Geological Society of America Annual Meeting
	November 18, 2013	MAVEN Launch Period Opens
	December 9-13, 2013 San Francisco, CA, USA	AGU Fall Meeting
<i>2014</i>		
	March 2014	45th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference

October 19-22, 2014 **Geological Society of America Annual Meeting**
 Vancouver, British Columbia, CANADA

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

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

Good Friday	4/6/2012	3/29/2013	4/18/2014	4/3/2015	4/6/2016
Rosh Hashanah	9/17/2012	9/5/2013	9/25/2014	9/14/2015	9/16/2016
Yom Kippur	9/26/2012	9/14/2013	10/4/2014	9/23/2015	9/25/2016
(Note that Jewish holidays start at sundown the previous evening).					
Thanksgiving Day, U.S.	11/22/2012	11/28/2013	11/27/2014	11/26/2015	11/22/2016
Thanksgiving Day, Canada	10/8/2012	10/14/2013	10/13/2014	10/12/2015	10/8/2016
Christmas Day	12/25/2012	12/25/2013	12/25/2014	12/25/2015	12/25/2016

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