

## News 072 Contact Group “Astrobiology: from stars and planets to extreme life”

Dear Members of the Contact Group “Astrobiology: from stars and planets to extreme life”,

1. As you may know, the Federal Science Policy has provided some of us the opportunity to work together in the frame of an Interuniversity Attraction Pole, called Planet TOPERS (Planets: Tracing the Transfer, Origin, Preservation, and Evolution of their ReservoirS). You may be interested by our work <http://iuap-planet-topers.oma.be/> ;
2. We also would like to inform you about the existence of the International Astrobiology Newsletter (IAN), which disseminate information about astrobiology events and opportunities around the world.

A list of Conferences, Field Trips and Workshops is given. The October issue can be found at <http://ian.arc.nasa.gov/issues/2012-10-issue>



### Oct. 2012

- \* 15 - 18 : 12th European Workshop on Astrobiology (EANA'12) Stockholm, Sweden
- \* 18 - 20 : Astrobiology Workshop, Aveiro University Aveiro, Portugal Abstract submission deadline: closed - September 15
- \* 22 - 23 : Thermodynamics, Disequilibrium and Evolution (TDE) Focus Group Workshop Granada, Spain
- \* 25 - 27 : 3rd Conference on Terrestrial Mars Analogues Marrakech, Morocco Abstract Submission Deadline: closed - 15 August, 2012

### Nov. 2012

- \* 11 - 14 : 2nd Exobiology Workshop in Fréjus Fréjus, France Abstract Submission Deadline: closed - 14 July 2012

Dec. 2012

- \* 9 - 9 : ILASOL – Israel Society for Astrobiology and the Study of Origin of Life Rehovot, Israel
- \* 10 - 11 : 2nd Australian Exoplanet Workshop Canberra, Australia Registration deadline: 23 November 2012

Jan. 2013

- \* 28 - 1 : Astrobiology and the Search for Extraterrestrial Life - 5 week course Edinburgh, Scotland

Feb. 2013

- \* 1 - 28 : MARS2013 - Morocco Mars Analog Field Simulation Marrakech, Morocco Proposal Deadline: closed - 15 June 2012
- \* 4 - 6 : The Present-Day Habitability of Mars Workshop Pasadena, California, USA
- \* 25 - 27 : Experimental Laboratory Astrophysics Poipu, Kauai, Hawaii Abstract Submission Deadline: 1 December 2012

March 2013

- \* 21 - 23 : International Workshop on Chemical Evolution and Origin of Life Roorkee, India

April 2013

- \* 17 - 19 : UK Astrobiology Conference 2013 Edinburgh, Scotland

June 2013

- \* 18 - 28 : Astrobiology Grand Tour - Western Australia Denham, Australia

July 2013

- \* 15 - 20 : Protostars & Planets VI Heidelberg, Germany

Nov. 2013

- \* 1 - 4 : International Biogeoscience Conference 2013 Nagoya, Japan

3. We also can mention the MEPAG (Mars Exploration Program Analysis Group) news, the Mars Exploration Science Monthly Newsletter. <http://mepag.jpl.nasa.gov/>. There is as well a list of meetings. In the October issue for instance, we have:

Fourth Quarter, 2012

- October 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 <http://ssed.gsfc.nasa.gov/IPM.html>
- October 14-19, 2012 Reno, NV, USA 44th DPS Annual Meeting
- October 15-17, 2012 Stockholm, SWEDEN 12th European Workshop on Astrobiology (EANA 2012) <http://agenda.albanova.se/conferenceDisplay.py?confid=2996>
- October 22-24, 2012 Greenbelt, MD, USA Annual Lunar Exploration Analysis Group Meeting (LEAG 2012) <http://www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/leag2012/>
- 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. <http://www.ibnbattutacentre.org/conf/mars2012/>
- November 4-7, 2012 Charlotte, NC, USA Geological Society of America Annual Meeting Early registration deadline October 1, 2012 <http://www.geosociety.org/meetings/2012>
- November 12-13, 2012 Irvine, CA, USA Lessons Learned in Decadal Planning in Space Science: A Workshop Registration deadline October 31, 2012 [http://sites.nationalacademies.org/SSB/CurrentProjects/SSB\\_070954](http://sites.nationalacademies.org/SSB/CurrentProjects/SSB_070954)

- November 13-15, 2012 Washington, DC 10th Meeting of the Venus Exploration Analysis Group (VEXAG) <http://www.lpi.usra.edu/vexag>
- November 14-16, 2012 Ontario, CANADA 2012 Canadian Space Summit - "Bridging Communities: Unifying the Canadian Space Sector" Western University. <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 Registration deadline November 2, 2012 <http://fallmeeting.agu.org/2012/>

Best regards,

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