

Dear all, I receive the following message from the EANA president, Gerda Horneck, this message among others announces the next EANA meeting at Pushchino, this venue is a city near Moscow built to host several institutes of biomedical research in the second half of the past century, it is still an important centre of pure and applied biological research of the Russian Academy of Sciences.

See a lot of you in Pushchino,

Christian Muller

Thanks to Anatoli Pavlov and David Gilichinski the website for the 10th Workshop on Astrobiology, to be held from Sept. 6-8 2010 in Pushchino, Russia has now opened: <http://www.ioffe.ru/EANA/index.html>

I count on you that you distribute this information within your national astrobiology community and encourage your colleagues to submit abstracts. EANA 10, as all previous EANA workshops, is an excellent platform for PhD students and young scientists to present their results to a relatively small but experienced auditorium.

This and more you find on our EANA website:

<http://www.astrobiologia.pl/eana/>

Many thanks to Tomek and all of you who have provided inputs to our website.

There are a few more items which I would like to ask you to forward to your astrobiology colleagues:

1. 38th Scientific Assembly of the Committee on Space Research (COSPAR), 18-25 July 2010 in Bremen, Germany

Deadline for abstract submission extended to February 26, 2010

2. June 14-18, Astrobiology Graduate Conference (AbGradCon), Tällberg, Sweden

* 28th February 2010 23:59 GMT - Deadline for Receipt of Abstracts

* Full funding for invited talk and poster presenters

With the following invitation by Vlada Stamenkoviæ on behalf of the AbGradCon10 committee:

"We invite early career scientists (graduate students and Post Docs) from engineering, physics, astronomy, chemistry, biology and geology, who are interested in:

* Astronomy and life: The detection and characterization of extrasolar planets and the connection between host-star and life. The physics and chemistry of biomolecules precursor formation in interstellar space,

* Evolution of habitable planets: What makes a planet habitable? How does the size, structure and interior dynamics of a planet and its atmospheric evolution influence key habitability factors and life?

* Weird life: Extremophiles and ancestral organisms on Earth: What can we learn from microbial communities in extreme environments as analogues for life on Mars or outer moons? How do metabolic networks function and what do they tell us about life's complexity?

* Interaction between geochemistry and life and geological signatures of life: The co-evolution of geochemistry and metabolism, and the preservation of life in the geological record as a proxy for finding life elsewhere.

* Tools and mission concepts to detect life or biosignatures

This conference aims to create an inspiring comfortable environment for early career scientists to present and learn about the latest developments in the wide field of astrobiology, to create networks and to forge new collaborations worldwide. The conference will comprise oral and poster presentations, half-day workshops and a one-day field trip to geologically instructive sites in the Siljan impact crater.

For graduate students and early career scientists that are selected for talk and poster presentations full funding for accommodation and meals as well as travel bursaries are available!"

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