



# COSPAR update

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# Recent sad news in the space research community



- **Giovanni Fabrizio Bignami, former President of COSPAR (2010-2014) and recipient of the joint COSPAR/Royal Society Massey Award in 2002, passed away on May 24, at the age of 73.**



# COSPAR Bureau renewed in 2014



**Professor Lennard A. Fisk** is a renowned scientist in the field of solar and heliospheric physics and a former NASA Associate Administrator and Chief Scientist

- The Bureau is composed of nine members, elected for 4 years (renewable once)
  - *L. A. Fisk (USA), President*
  - *Ji Wu (China), V.-Pres.*
  - *A. Jayaraman (India), V.-Pres.*
  - *I.S. Batista (Brazil)*
  - *C. Césarsky (France)*
  - *K.H. Glassmeier (Germany)*
  - *M. Panasyuk (Russia)*
  - *Sho Sasaki (Japan)*
  - *J.-P. St-Maurice (Canada)*
- Blue denotes non-renewable members in 2018



# CSAC partly renewed in 2017

- The CSAC is chaired by **Richard Bonneville (France)**. **Charles F. Kennel (USA)** is Vice-chair
- Membership includes
  - *Selected scientists: M. Baltuck, A. Coustenis, J.N. Goswami, M. Othman, J. Park, B. Ryan, and L. Zelenyi*
  - *The COSPAR President, Vice-presidents, and Scientific Commission Chairs*
  - *Representatives of ICSU, UNESCO, etc.*
  - *Blue denotes likely outgoing members in 2018*





# European situation re: COSPAR membership

- **21 European countries members of COSPAR (out of 43)**
- **Comparison with ESA's membership**
  - *Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.*
  - *Bulgaria, Cyprus, Malta, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia and Slovenia have cooperation agreements with ESA.*
  - *Canada takes part in some projects under a Cooperation agreement.*
- **Issues with several European members of COSPAR**
  - *Portugal and Belgium are suspended.*
  - *Cyprus new member*



# 42<sup>nd</sup> Scientific Assembly

- **The 42<sup>nd</sup> COSPAR Scientific Assembly will be held in Pasadena, California, USA, 14-22 July 2018**
  - *The Scientific Program Committee is chaired by Dr. Thomas Prince (Caltech)*
  - *Preparatory work is well underway for this Assembly which is likely to set a new record in COSPAR Assembly attendance*





# Attending the Pasadena Assembly



- **Assembly Venue:**  
<http://cospar2018.org/>
  - *Registration and housing open on 1<sup>st</sup> September*
  - *Early registration deadline 27 April 2018 (???)*
  - *Potential visa issues...*
- **Assembly Program:**  
<https://www.cospar-assembly.org/>
  - *Abstract submission opens on 19 August*
  - *Early registration deadline 18 May 2018 (???)*
  - *Abstract submission deadline 9 February (but this date may change)*



# The 43<sup>rd</sup> Scientific Assembly will be held in Sydney (Australia) in 2020



- The selected Australian bid was competing with Prague, Shanghai and Lausanne
- The 86<sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting opted in March for the period **15-23 August 2020**, which coincides with the National Science Week in Australia





# 44<sup>th</sup> COSPAR Assembly (2022)

- The selection of the 44<sup>th</sup> Assembly site will occur in Pasadena
  - *With 2018 Assembly in the Americas (USA) and 2020 Assembly in Asia (Australia), it is likely to be held in Europe*
- So far, indication or letters of intent to bid (again) have been received from the Czech Republic (Prague) and Switzerland (Lausanne)
- Formal proposals must reach the COSPAR Secretariat **one month in advance of the Bureau meeting.**
  - *Deadline for 2022 Assembly bids ~15 February 2018*





# Publications

- **Advances in Space Research**
  - *The 2017 Impact Factor is 1.409, up from 1.238 in 2013 and at its highest ever*
- **Life Sciences in Space Research**
  - *First appeared in April 2014*
  - *Already referenced in PubMed*
  - *2015/16 Journal Impact: 1.97*
- **Space Research Today**
  - *Freely distributed to 9,000 COSPAR Associates*
  - *August issue included the Call for Papers for Istanbul*





# COSPAR 3<sup>rd</sup> Symposium 2017

- South Korea through KASI is hosting the 3<sup>rd</sup> COSPAR Symposium
  - *It is supported by the National Committee, the Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning and the Governor of the Jeju Special Province*
- The theme: “Small Satellites for Space Research” has attracted 370 abstract proposals, out of which 347 have been accepted
  - *A CB workshop on “Conceptual design for Nano and Micro Satellite Missions” will be held in Daejeon in the two preceding weeks*
- The venue is the ICC in Jeju Island, 18-22 September 2017





# Attending the 3<sup>rd</sup> COSPAR Symposium

- **Venue and Program:**

<http://www.cospar2017.org/>

- *April 14*      *Abstract Submission Deadline (Extended)*
- *May 31*      *Acceptance Notification*
- *Jun. 30*      *Early Registration Deadline*
- *Sep. 18~22*      *Symposium*



# Symposium program overview

- **Keynote/Plenary/Interdisciplinary talks by leaders and visionaries in the field of small satellites**
  - *S. Nakasuka (Japan), L. Paxton (USA), S. Clarke (USA), F. Fiore (Italy), L. Li (China), M. Daly (Canada), D. Klumpar (USA), M.K. Wook (Korea), A. Freeman (USA), V. Angelopoulos (USA), A. Petrukovich (Russia), and M. Fujimoto (Japan)*
- **Space Agency Roundtable on “Small satellites as a vehicle for international cooperation”**
  - *S. Tsuneta (JAXA/ISAS, Japan), J.-Y. Le Gall (CNES, France), R. Boyce (USW, Australia), A. Petrukovich (Space Research Institute, Russia), T. Spohn (DLR, Germany), Le Xuan Huy (VNSC, Vietnam), A. Giménez (ESA), Wu Ji (NSSC, China), and representatives of NASA, USA, and KASI, Korea.*





# Symposium program overview (cont'd)

- Three parallel sessions are planned to cover the many scientific and technical topics proposed by the Scientific Organizing Committee
  - *Given the large number of abstracts accepted, the LOC is considering extending the number of parallel sessions to four*
- The Symposium will host oral as well as posters
- An exhibition will be held at the Symposium venue
- Social events will include a welcome reception (17 September), an opening ceremony (18 September), an excursion and gala dinner (21 September), and a closing ceremony (22 September)





# Scientific roadmaps initiated in 2013

- **Roadmap on “Space Weather”**
  - *Understanding space weather to shield society: A global road map for 2015–2025 commissioned by COSPAR and ILWS*
  - *Published in ASR (55, n°12, 15 June 2015)*
- **Roadmap on “Integrated Earth System Science”**
  - *Observation and Integrated Earth-system Science: a Roadmap for 2016 - 2025*
  - *Published in ASR (57, n°10, 15 May 2016)*



# New scientific roadmaps

- **Two new roadmaps are underway:**
  - ***“Small Satellites for Space Sciences (4S)” (including Earth sciences)***
    - The Study Group is led by Rudolf von Steiger (ISSI) and Robyn Millan (Dartmouth College) and include Maurice Borgeaud (ESA/ESRIN) and many other experts. It held its first meeting in Bern on 23-24 May
  - ***“Exoplanets”, as a multidisciplinary topic involving a wide variety of scientific disciplines***
    - The Study Group led by G. Micela (INAF) and M. Swain (NASA/JPL) is currently under formation



# COSPAR-UNOOSA collaboration

- **COSPAR relationship with UNOOSA has been subject to “highs and lows” in the past few years**
  - *The new UNOOSA Director Simonetta Di Pippo has expressed interest in reviving and strengthening this relationship, based on her appreciation of the importance of science and research with respect to the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space*
- **A two-day COSPAR-OOSA workshop was held on 22-23 May in Vienna in preparation of UNISPACE+50**
  - *Three splinter groups of COSPAR experts and OOSA staff looked at the most relevant UNISPACE+50 Thematic Priorities from the perspective of space research*
  - *The COSPAR President will present the outcomes to the 60<sup>th</sup> session of the COPUOS on 7 June in Vienna. Particular emphasis is put on planetary protection, space weather, global health and resilient societies*



# The PPOSS (Planetary Protection of Outer Solar System) Project

- The ESF/ESSC is the Coordinator of a 3-year project named PPOSS. The PPOSS partnership includes DLR (Germany), COSPAR – through the PPP Chair (G. Kminek, ESA), the Executive Director, an intern, and a few experts. COSPAR leads two WPs –, Eurospace, INAF (Italy), Space Tech Ltd. (Ireland) and Imperial College (UK).
- Associated (non-funded) partners include CAS and CAST (China), IKI (Russia), JAXA (Japan) and NAS/SSB (USA).
- 1<sup>st</sup> PPOSS Project Review held in Paris on 31 January 2017
  - *Web site developed (pposs.org)*
  - *Interviews with industry*
  - *2 workshops held in 2016 (Noordwijk, Köln), 1 in 2017 (Florence)*
  - *PP “Handbook” available (still requiring refinement)*
  - *1 tutorial held in mid-May in Japan*
- Next steps: Science requirements, 2<sup>nd</sup> tutorial (China), 3<sup>rd</sup> tutorial (Pasadena?)





## On the move...

- **As of September 1<sup>st</sup>, the COSPAR Secretariat will be relocated in Montpellier, in the premises of the “Maison de la Télédétection”, on a University scientific campus**
  - *The COSPAR legal Headquarters will remain in Paris, in the CNES building, where regular meetings in March (Assembly and Symposium Program Committees, CSAC, Bureau) will still be held*
- **We'll be delighted to host an ESSC meeting in Montpellier at any future opportunity**





# Thank you for your attention!

- Visit the COSPAR Web site

<http://cosparhq.cnes.fr>

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## 1st COSPAR Symposium

Bangkok, Thailand, site of the first COSPAR Symposium,  
11 - 15 November 2015

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### HIGHLIGHTS

**COSPAR 2014**  
The 40th COSPAR Scientific Assembly will be held in Moscow from 2 - 10 August 2014. For a look at the preliminary scientific program please visit <http://www.cospar-assembly.org>.

**10TH NORDIC HF CONFERENCE**  
Of interest to members of Scientific Commissions C, E, F and G: the 10th Nordic HF Conference (NH13) will take place on 12-14 August 2013, on Fårö in the Baltic Sea. It will cover HF and include VLF/LF and long-haul VHF/LFHF. The dates have been chosen so as to allow the BLOS and HFIA meetings to be held in Stockholm immediately afterwards on Thursday and Friday. For further information, see <http://www.nordic-hf.org>.

**COSPAR 2016**  
Congratulations to Istanbul, the host for COSPAR 2016! Exact dates to be determined.

### CALENDAR

SEARCH

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