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Dear colleagues,

We would like to start this issue of the Commission B1 newsletter with our warmest greetings for this holiday season!

Our proposal for the IAU Symposium to be held in June 2020 has now been submitted to the IAU. The title of the symposium is "Predictive power of computational astrophysics as a discovery tool", proposed dates are **June 8-13, 2020**, and the location is Chamonix-Mt.-Blanc, France. You can find the proposal with the rationale and all the needed information at http://www.icehap.chiba-u.jp/IAU_B1/news/CB1_proposal_IAUS2020-07-12-2018.pdf. We are grateful to all the colleagues who had sent us various suggestions for the proposal.

Dates for the conference on computational astrophysics in Saint Petersburg, Russia, have been fixed at **September 15-21**, **2019**. Detailed first announcement will be spread out in early 2019.

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Yours sincerely, Members of the IAU Commission B1 Organizing Committee