

## \* \* News Letter No.12 \* \*

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Dear colleagues,

We begin this issue with an important update about the IAU Symposium 362, which is going to be held on Nov 8-12, 2021. We appreciate those registered participants who have taken their time to answer the questionary about the Symposium organization. This poll has shown that only few participants voted confidently for in-person meeting. Most people have expressed the willingness to come only provided travel restrictions are lifted, which currently does not seem to be a viable option. Thus, given the current pandemic situation and especially its recent developments, we have made a tough decision to make the IAU Symposium 362 fully online.

Due to this decision, we will restart the registration process. All the important links and dates will be communicated in the near future. We are still in the process of exploring various options, which would determine the size of a registration fee and a possibility to waive it to some participants. All the previous payments made to Chamonix venue will be refunded. The exact procedure will also be clarified soon. We would kindly ask you to register again and to resend your abstracts, even if you have sent then quite recently. Stay tuned for further information.

We also report the success of the online meeting "Challenges and Innovations in Computational Astrophysics – III (ChalCA - III)" that has been held in June, 2021. You can find the talk recordings at

http://www.icehap.chiba-u.jp/IAU B1/chaica2021/session1.html

and the presentation PDF files are posted at

http://www.icehap.chiba-u.jp/IAU B1/chaica2021/chaica3pdf.html

Finally, we would like to thank all the Commission B1 members that have participated in elections. Their results, announced by the IAU, are as follows:

President: Christian M. Boily (France) VP (elected): Michiko FUJII (Japan)

At-large members (elected): Pratika Dayal (Netherlands), Wilhelm Kley (Germany), Jonathan

Mackey (Ireland), Shazrene S. Mohamed (South Africa), Gustavo Yepes (Spain) Second-term members: Tomoyuki HANAWA (Japan), Dmitri S. Wiebe (Russia)

Advisor (Past President): Dmitrij Bisikalo (Russia)

Yours sincerely,

Members of the IAU Commission B1 Organizing Committee