



GLAST

The Gamma-ray Large Area Space Telescope

**First GLAST Symposium Planning
SWG Meeting
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First GLAST Symposium Planning

- **IOC formed. First telecon 27 October.**
 - Membership: Atwood, Barbiellini, Blandford, Bloom, Dermer, Dingus, Gehrels, Giommi, Grenier, Grindlay, Hermsen, Kouveliotou, McEnery, Makishima, Meegan, Michelson, Ormes, Pohl, Ritz.
- **Following advice from GUC, dates selected:**
 - 5-8 February 2006 at Stanford University
 - telecons and meetings ongoing (w/ lots of help from Sandy and Lucy!). see later slides on local organizing and venue details. Estimating 250-400 people.
- **Immediate next steps**
 - need another IOC telecon soon
 - first bulletin
 - dates already added to upcoming HEAD news
 - international email lists (suggestions, please!)
 - poster (circulated electronically), website
 - started discussing press and possible teacher workshop with L. Cominsky.



Top-level Symposium Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
8-10 Registration, coffee	8-9 coffee, posters	8-9 coffee, posters	8-9 coffee, posters
10-12 plenary	9-12 plenary with one break	9-12 plenary with one break	9-12 plenary with one break, summary talk(s)
12-13:30 lunch	12-13:30 lunch	12-13:30 lunch	12-13:30 lunch
13:30-16:30 plenary with one break	13:30-15:30 parallel sessions I	13:30-14:30 posters	TBD. Teacher workshop and/or satellite meetings
16:30-17:30 posters	15:30-16:00 break, posters	14:30-17:30 plenary with one break	
17:30-19:00 reception	16:00-18:00 parallel sessions II		
evening free	19:00 BANQUET at Stanford Faculty Club	19:00 Public Lecture TBD	



Plenary Topics

- **Opening talks**
 - **big, fundamental questions GLAST will address; leap from GRO to GLAST.**
 - **mission overview, MW connections, and how GI's get involved**
- **Blazars, microquasars, EBL and related topics**
- **Pulsars, SNRs and Cosmic rays**
- **Extended Sources and Diffuse Emissions**
- **Surveys and Population Studies, New Point Source Classes**
- **GRBs and solar flares**
- **Dark Matter and New Physics Search Windows**
- **Summary talk(s), visionary talk? TBD.**
- **Plan to leave extra time in the plenary sessions for additional/hot-topic contributions.**



Parallel Sessions and Posters

- 3 or 4 rooms available for two sets of parallel sessions on Tuesday afternoon.
- Guessing ~150-200 posters
- Topics moved from plenary to posters/parallels:
 - analysis techniques
 - future missions, facilities
 - current status other facilities
 - detailed subtopics of plenary



GSSC Booth

- **GSSC booth or station staffed throughout the meeting**
 - **workstations set up to browse the GSSC and related websites. mechanisms for immediate feedback.**
 - **handouts and Q&A on proposal tools**
 - **“getting started” sheet to be included in registration packet**
- **This approach seems better than having a devoted session in the Symposium. Comments?**



Proceedings

- **After discussion with GUC, current plan is to have printed proceedings.**
 - plenary (10 pages) and contributed items (≤ 4 pages)
 - the articles should be findable and downloadable electronically through ADS, one way or another
 - there should be a hardcopy book produced in a manner that is not too costly
 - No CDs, but all contributions available on the web.
 - Contributors may also upload write-ups and other material to the web page for distribution and archiving. No prescribed document format; PDF recommended for file format.
- **Website will include posted agenda, abstracts, talks.**

A wide-angle photograph of the Stanford University campus. In the foreground, a paved road with white lane markings and a yellow center line leads towards the center of the image. The road is flanked by rows of tall, green palm trees. In the middle ground, a large, green, rectangular lawn or field is visible. Behind the lawn, a large, multi-story building with a red-tiled roof and arched windows, characteristic of Stanford's architecture, is centered. To the left and right of this central building are other similar buildings. In the background, rolling hills and mountains are visible under a clear blue sky. A large, white, circular structure, possibly a water tower or a monument, is visible on a distant hill. The text "GLAST Symposium local planning" is overlaid in yellow, bold, sans-serif font across the middle of the image, partially obscuring the lawn and the central building.

GLAST Symposium local planning



GLAST Symposium

- February 5 – 8, 2007 (Monday-Thursday)
- Frances Arrilliga Alumni Center, Stanford University
- local organizing committee formed
 - Physics Dept, HEPL, KIPAC, SLAC
 - facility arrangements; registration;
 - hotel arrangements (SLAC Guest House, Sheraton, Terrace Inn)
- registration: ~\$300; banquet separate (~\$60)



Frances Arrilliaga Alumni Center



main meeting hall seats 350, theatre style



cafe





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