



GLAST

The Gamma-ray Large Area Space Telescope

First GLAST Symposium Planning SWG Meeting 18 May 2006

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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 l	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.





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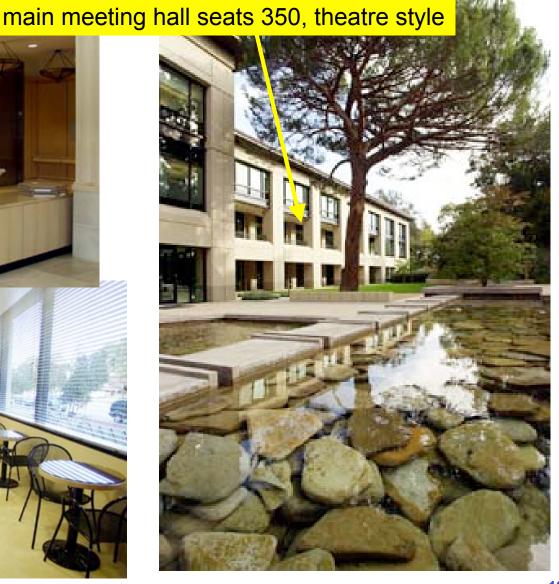
- February 5 8, 2007 (Monday-Thursday)
- Frances Arrilliga Alumni Center, Stanford University
- local organizing committee formed
 - Physics Dept, HEPL, KIPAC, SLAC
 - facility arrangements; registration;
 - hotel arrangements (SLAC Guest House, Sheraton, Terrace Inn)
- registration: ~\$300; banquet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



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