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FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT and CALL FOR PAPERS

Library and Information Services in Astronomy III

-- LISA III --

"Managing Change Gracefully"

Puerto de la Cruz, Tenerife, Spain April 21-23, 1998
to be hosted by the Instituto de Astrofisica de Canarias (IAC)

CONFERENCE HISTORY:

This conference is the third in a series: Library and Information Services in Astronomy I (LISA I) was held at the U.S. Naval Observatory, Washington, USA, in 1988 and was supported by the International Astronomical Union (IAU) as IAU Colloquium 110. LISA II, an IAU Technical Workshop, was held at the European Southern Observatory, Garching, Germany, in 1995. An application for IAU support of LISA III as an IAU Colloquium is pending.

AIM OF THE CONFERENCE:

Library and information services in astronomy have seen sweeping and monumental changes in the last decade, both in methods of information delivery and the kinds of information being delivered. At the same time, demands for traditional services and the importance of retrieval and archiving of older materials have not abated. Indeed, needs have become more acute as historic materials have become more fragile and preservation techniques have not kept pace with the variety of materials to be preserved. What has not changed is the basic function of the librarian: providing information to users in whatever format by whatever methods necessary.

Library and Information Services in Astronomy III will provide an opportunity to examine the current state of the art of information maintenance, delivery, and preservation, as well as to learn from invited experts the directions in which our profession is moving.

PROGRAM:

Keynote speaker:

- "Managing change gracefully":

Challenges and opportunities of integrating
tomorrow's technology with yesterday's resources
Ann Okerson, Yale University, USA

Invited Presentations:

- Astronomers and Librarians:

- * The symbiotic relationship: assessing user needs
Marlene Cummins, Univ. Toronto, Astron. Library, Canada
- * User requirements: an astronomer's wishlist
Heinz Andernach, Univ. Guanajuato, Mexico
- * Helping the astronomer stay up-to-date
Brenda Corbin, U.S. Naval Obs., Washington, DC, USA

- Internal Sources/Resources

- * "If it's not on the Web, it doesn't exist at all".
Electronic information resources -- myth and reality
Sarah Stevens-Rayburn, STScI, and
Ellen Bouton, NRAO, USA
- * Historical material: the use of archives and rare books
for modern scientific purposes
Peter Hingley, RAS, UK (Chair)
(presentations / panel discussion)

- External Sources/Resources

- * Information extraction: New developments in astronomical
information retrieval for electronic publications
Soizick Lesteven, Obs. Astron. Strasbourg, France
- * Identifying and accessing electronic documents
Jim Fullton, Clearinghouse for Networked Information
Discovery and Retrieval, USA ***
- * The Urania Coalition, a discipline-wide interconnected
resource
Peter Boyce, AAS, USA
- * Metadata: standards for retrieving WWW documents
Diann Rusch-Feja, Max Planck Inst. for Human
Development and Education, Germany ***
- * Toolsets for handling online literature
Fionn Murtagh, Univ. Ulster, Northern Ireland
- * Archiving electronic documents
Evan Owens, Univ. Chicago Press, USA
- * Licensing and copyright issues in the electronic
environment
Sarah Sully, JSTOR, USA ***
- * Incorporating electronic preprints into an effective
publishing system
Bob Hanisch, STScI, USA
- * Electronic publishing in its context
Andre Heck, Obs. Astron. Strasbourg, France

- Resource sharing

- * CADIST astronomie: acquisition and distribution of scientific and technical information in astronomy in France
M. Vallet and A. Accary, Obs. Paris-Meudon, France
- * The SUBITO project: document delivery service for astronomy, astrophysics and space research
Irina Sens, Univ. Goettingen, Germany
- * A clearinghouse for astronomy librarians:
the PAM Web site
Kathleen Robertson, Inst. for Astron., Univ. Hawaii, USA

[*** = unconfirmed speakers]

Open Forum / Discussion:

Optimizing communication amongst astronomy librarians
in the digital age

Contributed talks and posters

SCIENTIFIC ORGANIZING COMMITTEE:

- Peter Boyce, Co-Chair, American Astronomical Society, USA
- Uta Grothkopf, Co-Chair, European Southern Observatory, Germany
- Heinz Andernach, Dept. Astr. Univ. Guanajuato, Mexico
- Jose Carlos del Toro Iniesta, Instituto de Astrofisica de Canarias, Spain
- Peter Hingley, Royal Astronomical Society, UK
- Ethleen Lastovica, South African Astronomical Observatory, South Africa
- Fionn Murtagh, Univ. Ulster, Magee College, North Ireland
- Alicia Rodas, Complejo Astronomico El Leoncito, Argentina
- Monique Gomez, Instituto de Astrofisica de Canarias, Spain
- Sarah Stevens-Rayburn, Space Telescope Science Institute, USA
- Marek Wolf, Astronomical Institute, Charles Univ. Prague, Czech Republic

LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE:

- Jose Carlos del Toro Iniesta, Co-Chair, IAC
- Monique Gomez, Co-Chair, IAC
- Monica Murphy, IAC
- Judith de Arao, IAC
- Antonio Bacallado, IAC
- Lourdes Abellan, IAC

EXPECTED PARTICIPANTS:

LISA III will bring together librarians from astronomical institutes and observatories worldwide as well as astronomers, publishers, and computer specialists active in the field of astronomy.

ALL FOR PAPERS:

The LISA III Scientific Organizing Committee cordially invites you to submit contributed talks or poster presentations.

Papers are solicited in particular, but not exclusively, in the following topics:

- Access to external resources: hardware and software requirements, costs, responsiveness
- WWW resources in astronomy
- User acceptance of electronic information resources and usability studies
- Licensing and copyright issues in the electronic environment
- Influence of electronic publications on librarians' tasks
- Optimizing communication amongst astronomy librarians in the digital age
- International collaboration and resource sharing projects in astronomy
- Handling and care of print and multimedia library resources (CD-ROMs, microforms, observatory publications etc.)
- Setting up WWW user guides for astronomy libraries
- Accuracy of bibliographic databases / bibliometric studies

If you are interested in giving an oral or poster presentation, please submit title, author(s) name(s) and affiliation(s), full mailing address(es), fax number(s) and e-mail address(es), as well as a half page abstract to the LISA III email account at

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Submission deadline will be November 30, 1997

Please note that the SOC does not guarantee that all proposed papers will be accepted and that it reserves the right to request that a volunteered oral presentation be presented as a poster

paper or vice versa. Notification regarding accepted papers will be made no later than January 31, 1998.

PROCEEDINGS:

Invited and contributed talks as well as posters will be published on paper in the ASP Conference Proceedings series as well as in electronic format on the World Wide Web.

REGISTRATION FEE:

A registration fee of approx. \$125 US will be charged to help defray meeting costs and proceedings publication.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT:

Limited financial support will be available in order to help colleagues from less economically-advantaged areas. Further announcements on this matter will be made by the Funds of LISA III committee later this year.

POST-CONFERENCE TOURS:

The conference will be held 21-23 April 1998, with a visit to Teide Observatory and IAC Headquarters on April 24th. An optional post-conference visit to Roque de los Muchachos Observatory on La Palma Island will be organized on April 25th.

IMPORTANT DATES:

September 30, 1997:	2nd conference announcement to be available on the WWW
November 30, 1997:	Deadline for submission of contributed papers and posters
May 20, 1998:	Deadline for receipt of electronic manuscripts for publication in the proceedings

PRE-REGISTRATION:

Potential participants are invited to pre-register by sending an email to the organisers at this address:

`lisa3@iac.es`

This will ensure that you will receive updated announcements about the conference as they become available.

CONFERENCE WWW SITE:

Additional information can be found on the LISA III WWW site at

<http://www.iac.es/biblio/lisa/>

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