

**Subject: LISA IV invitation**

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Dear Francoise,

As you know, the LISA IV (Library and Information Services in Astronomy) conference will be held in Prague, Czech Republic, in July 2002. The Preliminary Planning Committee (Ellen Bouton, NRAO, Brenda Corbin, USNO, Uta Grothkopf, ESO, and Sarah Stevens-Rayburn, STScI) together with Marek Wolf (Charles University Prague, Chair of the LOC) cordially invite you to become Co-chair of the Scientific Organizing Committee.

Our suggestions for SOC members are:

Liz Bryson - U.S. - Co-chair  
Francoise Genova - France - Co-chair  
Rudi Albrecht - Germany  
Brenda Corbin - U.S.  
Guenther Eichhorn - U.S.  
Barbara Gertner - Poland  
Uta Grothkopf - Germany  
Michiel Kolman - Netherlands  
Christina Louis - India  
Barry Madore - U.S.  
Veronica Mata Acosta - Mexico  
Elena Potter - Russia  
Marek Wolf - Czech Republic

We feel that these suggestions are geographically balanced, represent both astronomers and librarians, and cover a variety of areas of interest.

Local arrangements are well on their way at the Charles University Prague. As was the case with previous conferences, a "Friends of LISA" committee will mount a fundraising effort, trying to partially or wholly fund librarians from developing countries who could not otherwise attend.

We would be delighted if you accepted this invitation. Please let us know your decision at your earliest convenience so that letters of invitation can also be sent to other SOC members.

Ellen Bouton, Brenda Corbin, Uta Grothkopf, Sarah Stevens-Rayburn  
LISA Preliminary Planning Committee