ESO Launches Visitor Programme for Scientists Working in Ukraine

Owing to the war in Ukraine, to support our colleagues in the scientific community and their families, ESO is announcing a Special Visitor Programme for scientists working in the country to visit one of the ESO premises (Garching, Germany or Vitacura, Chile) to conduct scientific or technical projects. Grants will be provided in support of these scientific visits, and travel and accommodation will be covered for the full duration of the project. All ESO Member States have condemned the military invasion of Ukraine ordered by the Russian leadership, which blatantly violates the most fundamental human rights and is entirely incompatible with our values at ESO.

Links
1 Special Visitor Programme for Scientists working in Ukraine: https://www.eso.org/sci/activities/questions.html.html

The Sun rises behind Cerro Armazones in this image from 2016, with the sunlight marking the flat silhouette of the mountain top and Venus witnessing the beginning of a new day from just above the mountain itself. The mountain top was flattened to become home to the Extremely Large Telescope (ELT), ESO’s next flagship observatory currently under construction. This picture taken from Paranal, is a stunning example of crepuscular rays, occurring when objects such as clouds or mountains block part of the incoming sunlight, a phenomenon typical at sunrise and sunset when the Sun is low on the horizon or below it.

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