

## **EUROPLANET 2020:** PROMOTING AMATEUR COLLABORATIONS IN PLANETARY SCIENCE





## **EUROPLANET OVERVIEW**

~15 Years - 3 Projects

#### 2005-2008

### European Planetology Network (EuroPlaNet) Coordination Action

- € 2 million funding by EC's 6<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme (FP6)
- "Structuring the European Research Area"
- ~ 50 European laboratories involved



#### 2009-2012

### Europlanet Research Infrastructure (RI)



- € 6 million funding by EC's 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme (FP7)
- 27 participating & 33 associated laboratories involved
- Broad range of Research Activities, Networking Activities etc.
  - NA1 Observational Infrastructure Networking



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#### 2015-2019 - Europlanet 2020

- € 9.94 million funding by EC's 6<sup>th</sup> Horizon 2020 Framework
- Coordinated by Open University, London, UK (Nigel Mason)
- 33 beneficiaries & 22 partners

European planetary science. This activity aims at furthering the integration of the key research infrastructures in Europe for studying planetary science by drawing in new partners and by providing access to the facilities and to a larger number of users, taking into account the multi- and trans-disciplinary nature of the field.

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Inclusion of amateur astronomers!





## **Networking Activity 1** Innovation through Science Networking

NA1 "Innovation through Science Networking" will develop the capacity of the European planetary community, synthesising and cascading the expertise that has been developed and generating new activity through a series of carefully selected and targeted workshops. NA1 will combine two of the networking activities (topical workshops and International Space Science Institute (ISSI) workshops) from the former FP7 RI, which have proven to be enormously successful and have created an enduring legacy for the Europlanet-RI project (see the exemplar of the

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Participating Institutes: FMI, Wigner Institute, Aberysthwyth University, MPG, CNRS,

UCL, IWF-OeAW, Vilnius University

**Budget:** ~ € 1.4 million

NA1 Task 5: Coordination of Ground Based Observations

Coordinated by IWF-OeAW

Workshop budget of € 120 000





# NA1 Task 5 - Coordination of Ground Based Observations

Main Objectives

Support/organization of roughly 3 Workshops per year

- Focus on the organization/coordination of ground-based observation campaigns in support of space missions
- Exploitation of campaign results
- Amateur training workshops organized by Vilnius Observatory

Database for ground-based observatories (NA1-Matrix) - <a href="http://iwf.oeaw.ac.at/matrix/">http://iwf.oeaw.ac.at/matrix/</a>

- Already developed during Europlanet FP7 further upgraded during EPN2020
- Will provide a possibility for amateurs to set up their own database and to upload observational data
- Database will be linked to the Virtual Observatory of EPN2020



# NA1 Task 5 - Coordination of Ground Based Observations - Amateur Linkage

Cooperation with Amateur Community should be strengthened during EPN2020

NA1 Task 5 already identified within the project proposal to foster the cooperation with amateurs!

- Collection of contacts to / survey on amateur astronomers (mainly) in Europe
- Potential installment of some sort of "amateur nodes" in different countries to facilitate information exchange
- Support for workshop participation and organization of dedicated workshops for the organization of amateur campaigns
- Organisation of amateur training workshop
- Inclusion of their facilities into the Database of Ground-based Observatories (NA1 Matrix)
- Provision of a possibility to share their amateur observational data with the professional scientific community (via the NA1 Matrix and Europlanet VESPA)
- Stronger interconnection between amateur and professional communities in Planetary Sciences in Europe!



Europlanet FP7 - NA1 Observational Infrastructure Networking (2009 -2012)

#### Workshops with amateur support:

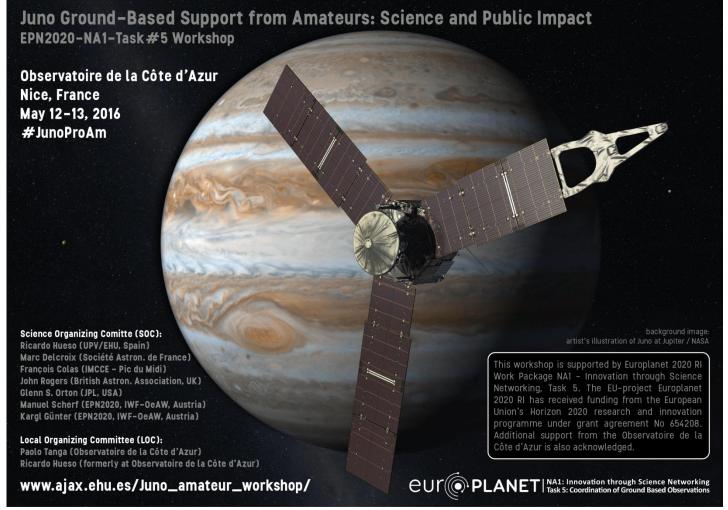
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Europlanet Workshop on Exoplanets: Coordinated Observations of Exoplanets from Ground and Space, January 29-30, 2011, Graz, Austria
- Europlanet NA1 Workshop on the "Ground-based Support for Rosetta Mission", June 28-29, 2011, London, United Kingdom
- Europlanet NA1-NA2 Workshop on "Ground-based Support for ESA's Rosetta Mission", April 17-18, 2012, London, United Kingdom

#### Europlanet 2020 - NA1 Innovation through Science Networking

Dedicated support for amateurs...

- to participate in NA1 supported science/coordination workshops
- to participate in amateur training workshops organized by NA1











First Amateur Training Workshop

Summer School "Exoplanets 2016" Moletai Astronomical Observatory, Lithuania August 02-12, 2016

http://mao.tfai.vu.lt/schools/index.php

Open for applications!





Latest confirmed workshop with support of NA1 Task 5





# NA1-Matrix: Database for Ground-based Observatories

http://iwf.oeaw.ac.at/matrix/

List of ground-based observatories

Developed during Europlanet FP7

Will be extended during Europlanet 2020!





## ÖAW (IWF NA1-Matrix: Database for Ground-based **Observatories**

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Ground-based facilities map

Everyone is free to share as many (or less) information as she/he wants to be online accessible!

**BROWSE MATRIX** 

USERNAME PASSWORD: Log in

> **REGISTER A NEW** ACCOUNT

**DEVELOPED BY** IWF GRAZ TEAM AND

LOGIN:







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List of observatories is searchable via a diverse set of different filters!



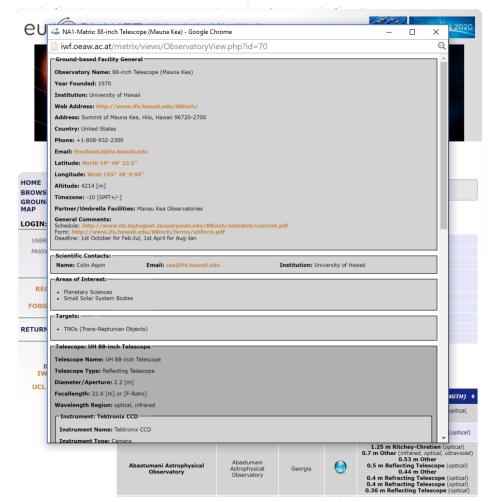


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Every facility entry list information on

- administrative issues like contact data, geographical position, etc.;
- science and target interests;
- detailed telescope and instrument information;





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Everyone can register fro free and add her/his own observatory, telescope or instrument!

This will be extended, so that amateur astronomer can also directly upload their observational data linked to her/his observatory entry, so that it will get publicly accessible!

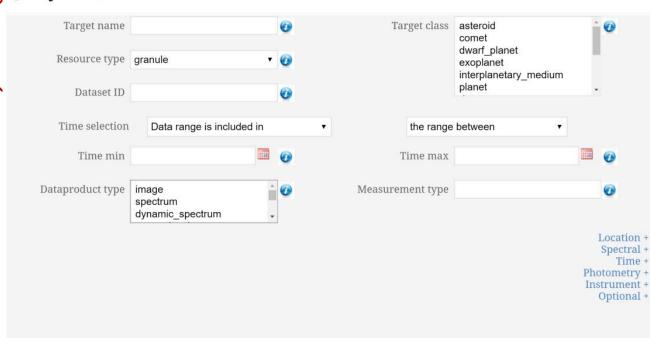




# NA1-Matrix: Database for Ground-based Observatories



#### Query form: All VO



#### **Plotting tools**



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#### **Example queries**

· Saturn in March 2012



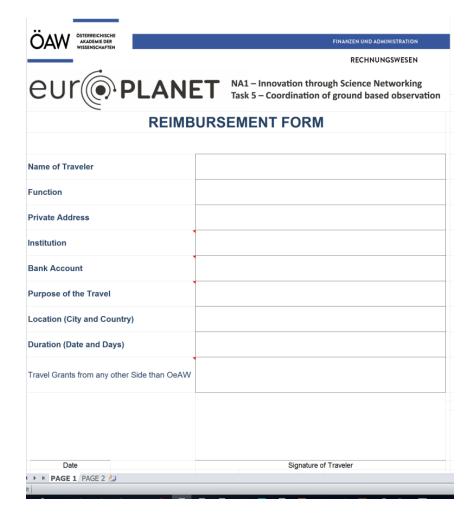
### Reimbursement

#### Reimbursement Form will be sent around via email

The completed form has to be sent via postal mail to

Claudia Grill
Space Research Institute
Austrian Academy of Sciences
Schmiedlstrasse 6
A-8043 Graz, Austria

All original receipts have to be sent together with the reimbursement form!





### Reimbursement

If any questions are occurring please feel free to ask me!

...or write me an email (<a href="mailto:manuel.scherf@oeaw.ac.at">manuel.scherf@oeaw.ac.at</a>)

...or write an email to our secretary Claudia Grill (<a href="claudia.grill@oeaw.ac.at">claudia.grill@oeaw.ac.at</a>)

And please take care on our Reimbursement Rules!

Many Thanks and have a nice Workshop!