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Next MEPAG Meeting – October 4, 2012 – Monrovia, CA

Mars Science News

Near-term Due Dates (next three months)

Due	Project
10/1	Geological Society of America Annual Meeting early registration deadline
10/31	Lessons Learned in Decadal Planning in Space Science registration deadline
11/2	AGU Fall Meeting registration deadline
1/8	44th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference abstracts deadline

Upcoming Conferences and Workshops

Type	Date & Location	Event Information
<i>Fourth Quarter, 2012</i>		
	October 4, 2012 Monrovia, CA, USA	MEPAG #26
	October 4-6, 2012 Mountain View, CA, USA	First International Workshop on LunarCubes http://lunar-cubes.com
	October 8-12, 2012 Moscow, RUSSIA	Third Moscow Solar System Symposium http://ms2012.cosmos.ru/
	October 10-12, 2012 Greenbelt, MD, USA	International Workshop on Instrumentation for Planetary Missions http://ssed.gsfc.nasa.gov/IPM.html
	October 14-19, 2012 Reno, NV, USA	44th DPS Annual Meeting
	October 15-17, 2012 Stockholm, SWEDEN	12th European Workshop on Astrobiology (EANA 2012) http://agenda.albanova.se/conferenceDisplay.py?confid=2996
	October 22-24, 2012 Greenbelt, MD, USA	Annual Lunar Exploration Analysis Group Meeting (LEAG 2012) http://www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/leag2012/

	October 25-27, 2012 Marrakech, MOROCCO	3rd Conference on Terrestrial Mars Analogues The second circular with details on registration, accommodations and field trip is posted on the web site. http://www.ibnbattutacentre.org/conf/mars2012/
	November 4-7, 2012 Charlotte, NC, USA	Geological Society of America Annual Meeting Early registration deadline October 1, 2012 http://www.geosociety.org/meetings/2012
	November 12-13, 2012 Irvine, CA, USA	Lessons Learned in Decadal Planning in Space Science: A Workshop Registration deadline October 31, 2012 http://sites.nationalacademies.org/SSB/CurrentProjects/SSB_070954
	November 13-15, 2012 Washington, DC	10th Meeting of the Venus Exploration Analysis Group (VEXAG) http://www.lpi.usra.edu/vexag
	November 14-16, 2012 Ontario, CANADA	2012 Canadian Space Summit - "Bridging Communities: Unifying the Canadian Space Sector" Western University. http://css2012.uwo.ca
	December 2, 2012 San Francisco, CA, USA	MAVEN Science Community Workshop Day-long discussion of MAVEN science goals, measurements, mission plan, etc., to inform science community. More information is posted at http://lasp.colorado.edu/maven
	December 3-7, 2012 San Francisco, CA, USA	AGU Fall Meeting Registration deadline November 2, 2012 http://fallmeeting.agu.org/2012/
2013		
	February 2013 Morocco	MAR2013 Northern Sahara Mars Analog Field Simulation http://www.oewf.org/cms/mars2013.phtml
	February 4-6, 2013 Los Angeles, CA, USA	The Present Day Habitability of Mars University of California at Los Angeles http://planets.ucla.edu/meetings/mars-habitability-2013/
	February 26-27, 2013 Washington, DC, USA	Mars Exploration Program Analysis Group (MEPAG) #27 Save the date
	March 6-8, 2013 Washington, DC, USA	The Committee on Astrobiology and Planetary Science The National Academy of Science
	March 18-23, 2013 The Woodlands, TX, USA	44th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference Abstracts deadline January 8, 2013 http://www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/lpsc2013
	April 3-6, 2013 Gainesville, FL, USA	From Starts to Life Conference First announcement http://conference.astro.ufl.edu/STARSTOLIFE/
	April 17-19, 2013 Edinburgh, SCOTLAND	UK Astrobiology Conference http://www.astrobiology.ac.uk/astrobiology-conference-2013
	May 6-8, 2013 Washington, DC, USA	Humans to Mars Summit (H2M) Lisner Auditorium at George Washington University http://h2m.eventbrite.com or http://www.exploremars.org
	June 3-7, 2013 Darmstadt, GERMANY	Mars Express 10th Anniversary Celebration To be held at ESOC

	July 9-11, 2013 Pasadena, CA, USA	9th Meeting of the NASA Small Bodies Assessment Group http://www.lpi.usra.edu/sbag/meetings/
	July 15-19, 2013 Pasadena, CA, USA	8th International Conference on Mars California Institute of Technology
	Correction July 29-August 2, 2013 Edmonton, Alberta, CANADA	76th Annual Meeting of the Meteoritical Society http://www.metsoc2013edmonton.org
	August 27-31, 2013 Paris, FRANCE	IAG/AIG International Conference on Geomorphology http://www.geomorphology-iag-paris2013.com/en
	September 24-28, 2013 Medellin, COLUMBIA	2nd International Congress of Astrobiology in Columbia http://www.astrobiologia.org/2-congreso-internacional-de-astrobiologia.html
	October 27-30, 2013 Denver, CO, USA	Geological Society of America Annual Meeting
	November 18, 2013	MAVEN Launch Period Opens
	December 9-13, 2013 San Francisco, CA, USA	AGU Fall Meeting
2014		
	March 2014	45th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference
	July 6-11, 2014 Nara, JAPAN	ORIGINS 2014 http://www.origin-life.gr.jp/origins2014/index.html
	August 2-10, 2014 Moscow, RUSSIA	COSPAR Moscow 2014 http://www.cospar-assembly.org/
	October 19-22, 2014 Vancouver, British Columbia, CANADA	Geological Society of America Annual Meeting
	December 15-19, 2014 San Francisco, CA, USA	AGU Fall Meeting
2015		
	March 2015	46th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference
	November 1-4, 2015 Baltimore, MD, USA	Geological Society of America Annual Meeting

Special holidays to consider when scheduling conferences/workshops/meetings:

Good Friday	4/6/2012	3/29/2013	4/18/2014	4/3/2015	4/6/2016
Rosh Hashanah	9/17/2012	9/5/2013	9/25/2014	9/14/2015	9/16/2016
Yom Kippur	9/26/2012	9/14/2013	10/4/2014	9/23/2015	9/25/2016
(Note that Jewish holidays start at sundown the previous evening).					
Thanksgiving Day, U.S.	11/22/2012	11/28/2013	11/27/2014	11/26/2015	11/22/2016
Thanksgiving Day, Canada	10/8/2012	10/14/2013	10/13/2014	10/12/2015	10/8/2016
Christmas Day	12/25/2012	12/25/2013	12/25/2014	12/25/2015	12/25/2016

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