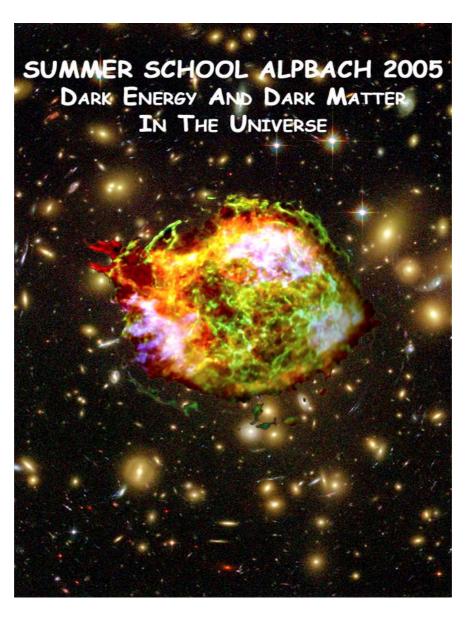


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SUMMER SCHOOL ALPBACH ANNOUNCEMENT 2005

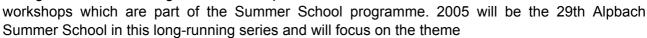


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THE SUMMER SCHOOL ALPBACH

Held annually since 1975, the Alpbach Summer School enjoys a long tradition in providing in-depth teaching on aspects of space science and space technology with the aim of advancing the training and working experience of European graduates, post-graduate students, young scientists and engineers.

Participants are given the opportunity to expand and strengthen their knowledge of selected space issues in





The purpose of the Summer School is to foster the practical application of knowledge derived from lectures, to develop organisational and team-work skills and to encourage creativity. Teams will compete to execute the best project, judged by an independent jury. The teams themselves are responsible for the selection of the subject of the project and for the team structure and working methods.

ORGANISERS AND CO-SPONSORS

The Summer School is organised by the Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG/Aeronautics and Space) and co-sponsored by the European Space Agency (ESA) and the national space authorities of its member states.

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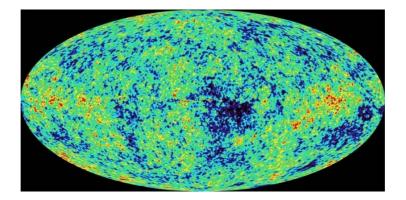
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PROGRAMME

Lectures will deal with the issues specific to

- Introduction to Cosmology
- Overview of Dark Energy and Dark Matter in the Universe
- Physical Nature of Dark Energy
- Dark Matter Particle Physics beyond the Standard Model
- Early Universe from the Cosmic Microwave Background
- Geometry of the Universe measured with Supernovae
- Large Scale Structure and Gravitational Lensing
- Clusters of Galaxies as Probes of Dark Matter and Dark Energy
- Detection of Dark Matter Decay
- Cosmic Vision Overview of ESA Missions
- Dark Universe Missions in Global Planning
- Cosmic Microwave Surveys
- Supernova and Lensing Surveys
- X-ray Surveys of Clusters of Galaxies
- Mission Phases, Mission System Engineering,
 Spacecraft Design
- Launchers and Satellite Orbits
- Optics and Telescopes
- Sensors and Instruments
- Scientific Methods to Derive Cosmological Constraints

The lectures will be given by renowned experts in the above fields.

A key element of the summer school is the workshop, to which more than 50% of the time spent in Alpbach will be given. Students will be formed into four teams, each of which will study a different scientific space mission, designed to answer some of the key questions relating to the Summer School topic—Dark Matter and Dark energy in the Universe. The teams will be supported by tutors who are experts in space mission design, and by the lecturers. Many of the lecturers will



be present throughout the duration of the Summer School and will assist the teams with the definition of the missions. The purpose of the workshop will be to develop four mission concepts—one by each team, to the point where a space agency could, in principle, take it over and begin the first stage of mission preparation. By the end of the workshop, the teams will have considered not only the instrumentation—having shown that it can meet the scientific requirements, but also the spacecraft orbit, its construction, its sub systems, and its launch, together with a cost estimate. The results of the projects will be delivered as short "mission studies" to be presented by each team, during the final workshop day, to an expert review panel. Lectures will be provided on space mission design and other technical topics relevant to the workshops.



Joint evening dinners (sometimes with after dinner speeches on subjects of general scientific interest) will be organised at the Fichtensaal of the Hotel Böglerhof for lecturers, tutors, students and accompanying persons to provide a convivial atmosphere for informal discussions.

PARTICIPATION

The Summer School is open to graduates as well as post-graduate students and young scientists and engineers from among the member states of the European Space Agency. The working language of the Summer School will be English.

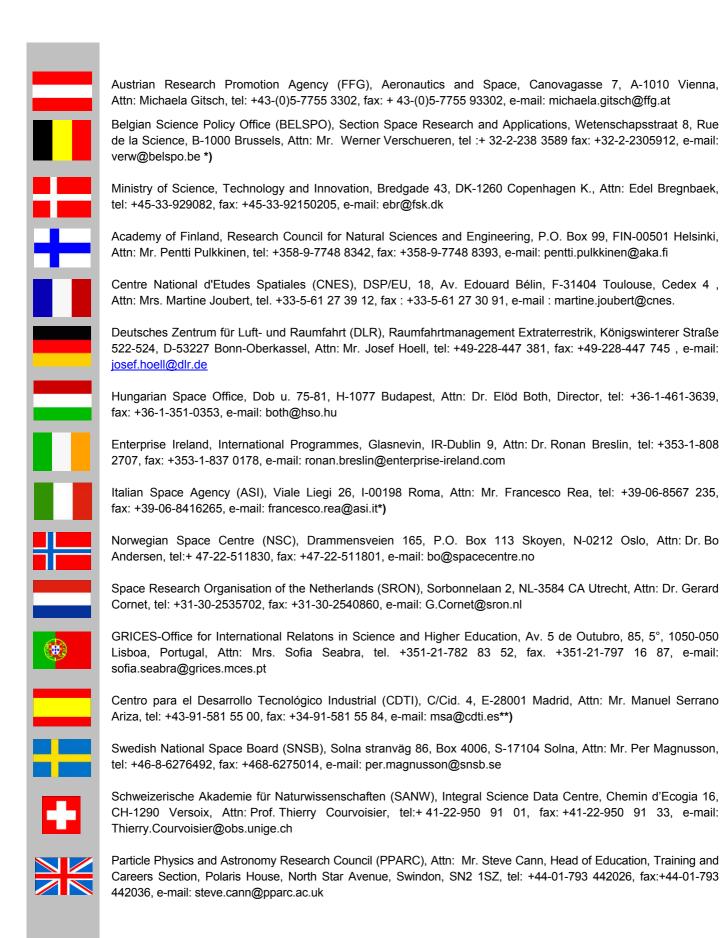
The attached application form, duly endorsed by a university professor, head of department or equivalent, should be submitted to the Austrian Research Promotion Agency (Aeronautics and Space) before **March 31, 2005**. The number of participants will be limited to 60 and confirmation of acceptance will be given by the end of **April 2005**.

A registration fee of € 300,- will be charged. This fee covers working material, copying and computer facilities, coffee breaks and dinners.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

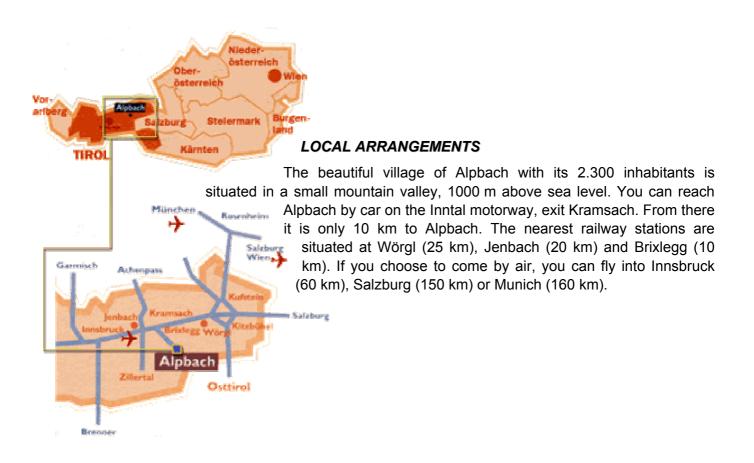
Participants from Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece (tbc), Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland, Sweden and the UK may be eligible for financial support by the relevant national sponsoring agencies or universities. For support of participation, travel and subsistence costs, Belgian and Italian students will be informed by the national point of contact to apply to their universities. The application form should indicate the status of application for support.

For additional information on the Summer School and on financial support for participation, please contact your national representative, i.e.:



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^{**)} Spanish applicants can seek funding through Dr. Miguel Mas-Hesse, LAEFF, Apartado 50727, 28080 Madrid, tel: +34-91-8131196, fax: +34-91-8131160, e-mail: mm@laeff.esa.es



The Summer School will be held in the School House of Alpbach.







All participants (students, tutors, lecturers and accompanying persons) will have joint dinners throughout the period of the Summer School at the Hotel Böglerhof (10-15 minutes walking distance from the School).

Bed & breakfast accommodation in Alpbach will be organised by the Austrian Space Agency for all participants. Relevant information will be forwarded to the participants in early May 2005. Costs for bed & breakfast accommodation amont to about € 30,-per night, a stay of 11 nights is essential.



Students will be requested to arrive in Alpbach on Monday, July 18, and depart on Friday, July 29, 2005.

Application Form

(to be returned **before March 31, 2005**)

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