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**Subject: Call for a Medium-size mission opportunity in ESA's Science
Programme (M5)**

Dear Colleague,

I am happy to announce that a call for a Medium-size mission opportunity (M5) is being released today, soliciting proposals for the competitive selection of space missions to be implemented in the framework of ESA's Science Programme. As detailed in the actual call, proposals covering any science theme and topic are solicited, with a ceiling to the mission's cost to ESA of 550 M€.

The deadline for the submissions of mandatory letters of intent is June 6, 2016, at 12:00hrs (noon) CEST and the deadline for the submissions of proposals is October 5, 2016, at 12:00hrs (noon) CEST.

The call and the relevant documentation are available at:

<http://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/call-for-m5-missions/>

where an interface for the submission of letters of intent and proposals is also available.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Alvaro Giménez', written in a cursive style.

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