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Invitation to Contribute

Dear Astrochemist and Astrophysicist,

Astrochemistry and its related Astrophysics has been an active field of research for a long time with many groundbraking findings. It nowadays marks the solid foundation of many new discoveries in space and in the laboratory. Within that prosperous field it belongs to the most challenging parts to combine Astronomy, Astrophysics, Laboratory and Theoretical Chemistry and Physics. Astrochemistry/physics is interdisciplinary by definition and thus puts high demands on the scientists in the field. In addition, Astrochemistry has now come into its adulthood and is divided in a multitude of sub-areas, each of them having a seemingly unmanageable size. Research groups can be found around the globe, some of them linked together to form research clusters others working entirely for themselves. This topical and geographical spread is important to ensure a colourful and many aspects embracing progress in the field. At the same time it is also a major hindrance for further progress since any research is dependent on the fast and effective interchange of ideas and knowledge.

Astrochemistry.eu will help to overcome these obstacles at least within the European zone and hopefully beyond. As an international network it is dependent on the contribution and efforts taken by its members and promoters. There are plenty of things that can be done to support this web based forum and the most important is to hand on information.

Things to contribute

AstroChemistry.eu is mainly interested in the following points:

- local Astrochemistry networks
- active Astrochemistry groups
- upcoming Astrochemistry conferences, seminars and meetings
- European and National funding possibilities
- relevant graduate schools / student information
- job fora / job information sources (web-links), Note: No daily postings, just links to active web-pages!
- useful local research facilities (observatories, large scale laboratories/research centers)
- occasionally, information about latest Astrochemistry highlights
- giving advices about the content of Astrochemistry.eu (and inform about possible mistakes or outdated information)

How to contribute?

Please provide your information in form of a short and simple ascii or rtf text sent by e-mail. If applicable, figures should have the following format: .jpg, .gif, .bmp (max. 500 x 500 px). The figure caption should be provided as well and links to papers (full citation) or other web-pages (URL) should be given. Please also give some personal information like your title, affiliation or home(institute)-webpage. You can use tar and zip commands to compress and combine your data. The information can then be sent to fuchs@astrochemistry.eu by e-mail. Please indicate your contribution in the e-mail subject field with "Network contribution – (your specifics)".

I value your information and would like to point out that only with your contribution a useful Astrochemistry & Astrophysics network can be established and maintained. I hope that I could spark your interest and I am looking forward hearing from you.

Yours Sincerely

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