



# COSPAR Capacity Building Activities

**CARLOS GABRIEL AND THE COSPAR PANEL ON CAPACITY BUILDING**

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46 national scientific institutions + 13 international scientific unions



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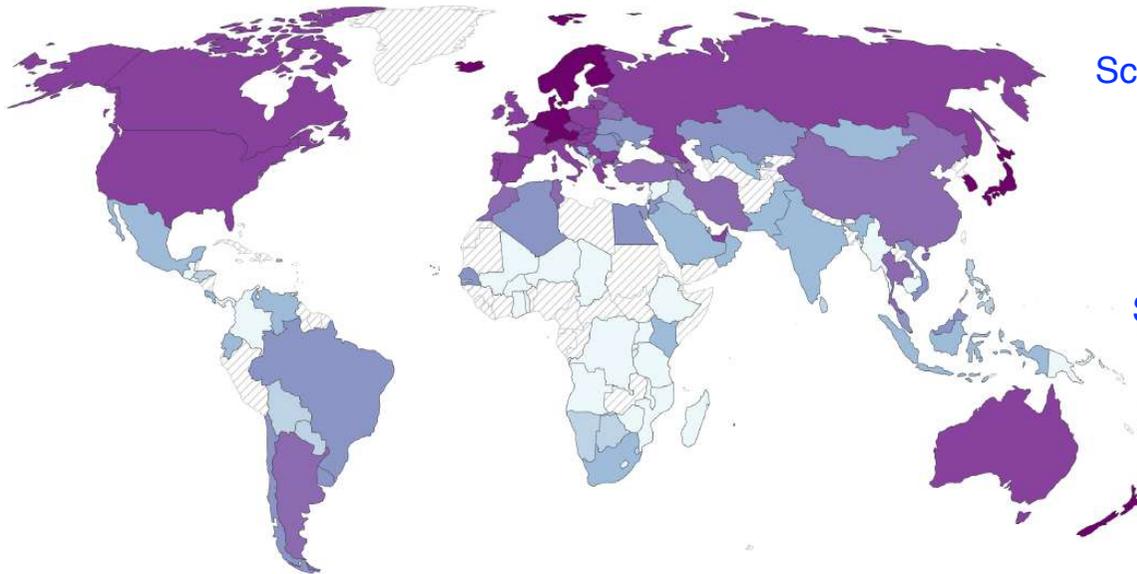


# Scientific research - where. how, why?

Our World  
in Data

## Number of R&D researchers per million people, 2019

Professionals engaged in conceiving or creating new knowledge, products, processes, methods, or systems.



Science is fundamental for a **developing country**

- \* Basic science >> applied sciences >> health >> education
- \* Fundamental right to a share in the “scientific knowledge”

Space Sciences are important

- motivation, public interest, vision* unique in this domain
- generally expensive
- \* however participation on different scales is possible
- >> scientific instruments, **research**, education

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Note: Postgraduate students are included.



# CBP: Capacity Building through practical workshops

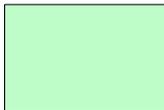
- 35-40 students and 10-13 full time lecturers / supervisors
- brief (2 weeks) intensive workshops (60 h/week)
- 1/3 lectures - 2/3 hands-on data analysis
- projects carried out individually or in teams
- ends with presentation by each student on analysis & results



# Components of a COSPAR CB Workshop

**Example: Advanced School on X-ray Astrophysics (Ensenada, Mexico, 2014)  
“Data Analysis of the XMM-Newton, Chandra and Suzaku Missions”**

 Science (32%)

 Mission specific (11%)

 Project (57%)

Day / Date		Arrival & Registration													
		9:00 - 10:00	10:00 - 11:00			11:15 - 12:15			13:15 - 14:15	14:15 - 15:15			15:30 - 16:30	16:30 - 17:30	17:30 - 18:30
Sun	16-Nov	Arrival & Registration													
Mon	17-Nov	Opening Ceremony	An Intro to High Energy Astronomy Mariano Mendez	Coffee Break		X-ray detectors Matteo Guainazzi	Lunch Break		The Missions I - XMM S/C & Instruments Carlos Gabriel	The Missions II - Chandra S/C & Instruments Doug Burke	Coffee Break		The Missions III - Suzaku S/C & Instruments Yukikatsu Terada	Data Reduction I - Introduction to SAS Carlos Gabriel	Computer Class Setting up SAS, CIAO and FTOOLS
Tue	18-Nov	Data Reduction II - Introduction to CIAO Doug Burke	Data Reduction III - FTOOLS + Suzaku dedicated S/W Yukikatsu Terada	Coffee Break		X-ray Spectrum Analysis I - Low-resolution Spectra Keith Arnaud	Lunch Break		X-ray Spectrum Analysis II - High-resolution Spectra Doug Burke	Data Red. IV - A more detailed look at SAS Matteo Guainazzi	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project
Wed	19-Nov	Timing Analysis I Diego Altamirano	Source Searching Methods Carlos Gabriel	Coffee Break		X-ray Emission Mechanisms I Elena Jiménez-Bailón	Lunch Break		Cataclysmic Variables / Novae / White Dwarfs Kim Page	Astrophysical Plasmas Mariano Méndez	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project
Thu	20-Nov	AGNs I Matteo Guainazzi	Accretion Sources I Black Holes and Neutron Stars Mariano Mendez	Coffee Break		Galaxies, Clusters and Groups I Keith Arnaud	Lunch Break		X-ray Emission Mechanisms II Elena Jimenez-Bailon	Spectral Timing Studies & adding NuStar to the Missions' Suite Diego Altamirano	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project
Fri	21-Nov	Accretion Sources II Black Holes and Neutron Stars Diego Altamirano	AGNs II Matteo Guainazzi	Coffee Break		Galaxies, Clusters and Groups II Keith Arnaud	Lunch Break		Timing Analysis II Diego Altamirano	ISM & SNR Doug Burke	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project
Sat	22-Nov	Excursion to San Pedro Mártir Observatory													
Sun	23-Nov														
Mon	24-Nov	Statistics Mariano Méndez	Future Development of X-ray Astronomy Keith Arnaud	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Lunch Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project
Tue	25-Nov	Extragalactic Surveys Takamitsu Miyaji	Writing Proposals Elena Jiménez-Bailón	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Lunch Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project
Wed	26-Nov	Basics of Scientific Presentation Carlos Gabriel	Computer Class Project	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Lunch Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project
Thu	27-Nov	Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Lunch Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Coffee Break		Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project	Computer Class Project
Fri	28-Nov	Computer Class Project	Project Presentations	Coffee Break		Project Presentations	Lunch Break		Project Presentations and Closing Meeting						

# COSPAR Capacity Building Fellowship Program

Launched in 2009



To build further on skills gained in a workshop, through a visit (~ 2-6 weeks) to carry on joint research in a collaborating lab

Not for training purposes, but intended to foster **research collaborations**

So far 82 short internships in scientific centres of excellence - ending in many cases with publication in main journal



# All space science disciplines

Starting with X-ray astronomy

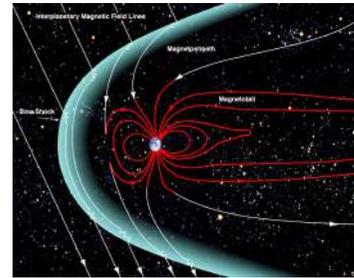
... to space crystallography

Through all space science disciplines

Astrophysics



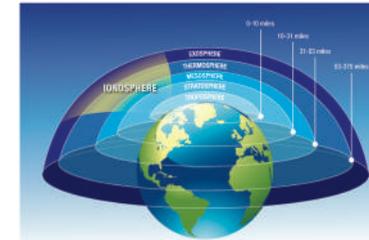
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Solar Physics



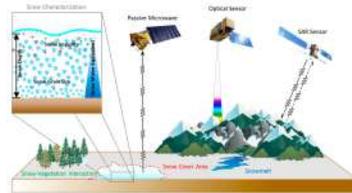
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Planetary Science



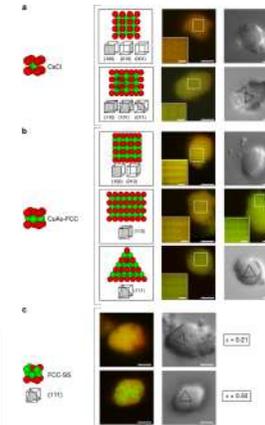
Small Satellites



Remote Sensing



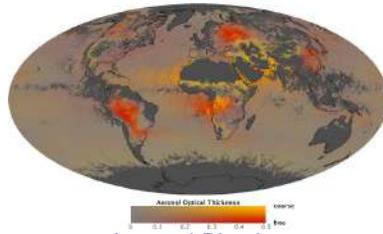
Oceanography



Space Crystallography

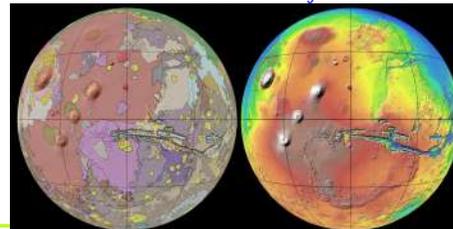


Space Weather

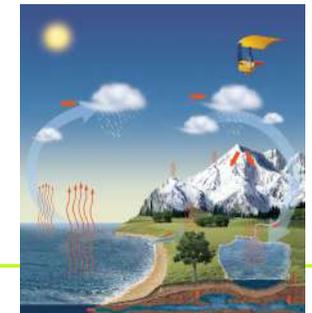


Aerosol Physics

Lunar and Planetary Surface



Earth Observation

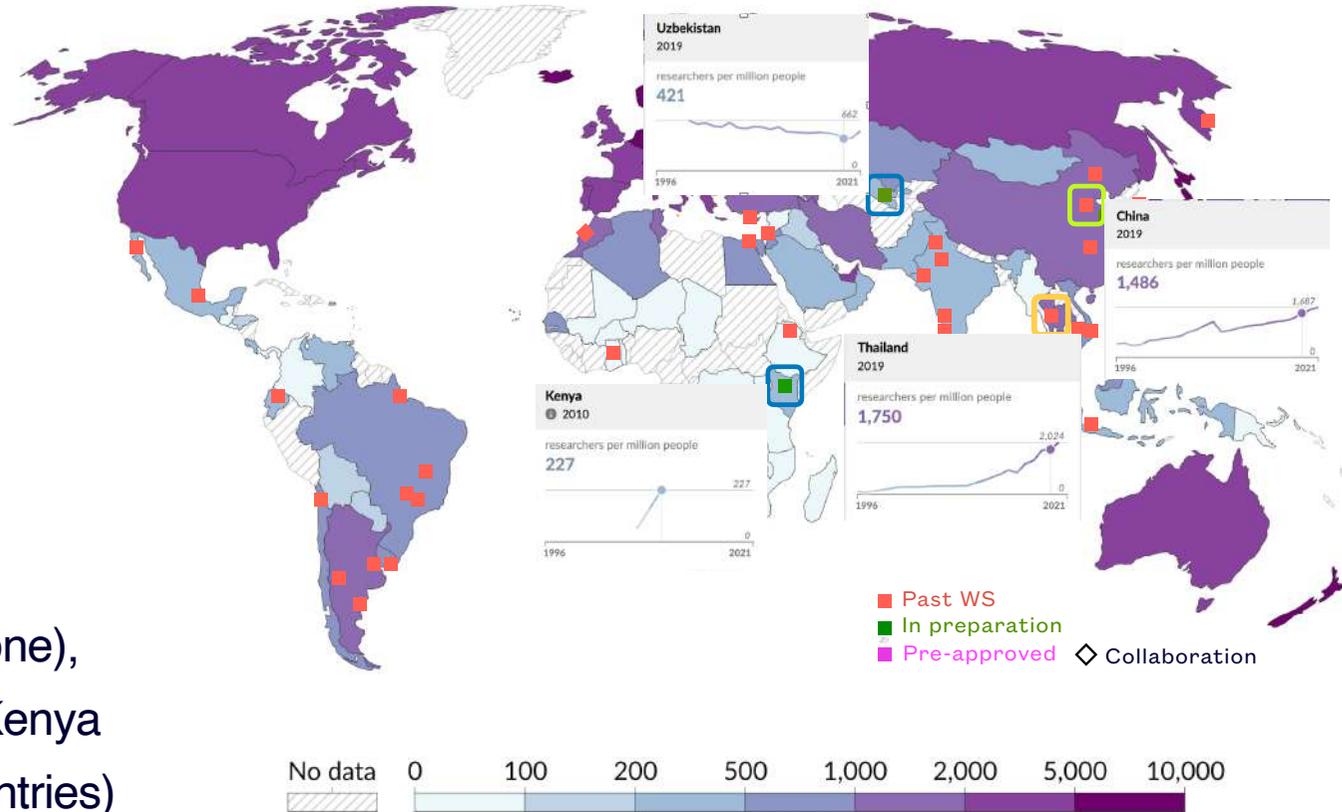


# Until 2024: 24 years

44 highly practical workshops in 22 developing countries

More than 1250 students from more than 70 countries + 82 fellowships

4 in 2024 - Thailand (done), China, Uzbekistan and Kenya (both adding to list of countries)



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# List of workshops & Fellowships 2001-2023

#	Year	Topic	Missions	Where?	Fellows
23	2015	Earth Observation of Transboundary Water Resources	MODIS, GRACE, GPM/TRMM, SMAP, ERS, ENVISAT, SMOS, Sentinels.	Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam	
24	2015	Planetary missions data analysis	Mars-Express, Rosetta, Cassini, Hayabusa	Guaratinguetá, Brazil	2
25	2015	International Reference Ionosphere	CHAMP, GRACE, ROCSAT, TIMED, COSMIC, C/NOFS, GPS	Bangkok, Thailand	
26	2016	Crystallography for Space Sciences	Curiosity, Mars-Express	Puebla, Mexico	
27	2016	Space Weather School	GPS, Chibis, Vernov, + ground-based data	Kamtchatka, Russia	5
28	2017	Soft- and Hard X-ray Astronomy	Chandra, XMM & NuSTAR	Viedma, Argentina	2
29	2017	Ionospheric Monitoring, Modelling and Predictions	COSMIC and other GNSS	Taipei City, Taiwan	
#	Year	Topic	Missions	Where?	Fellows
44	June 2024	Visible and Infrared Astronomy “JWST Data Analysis and Processing Workshop”	JWST	Chiang Mai, Thailand	3
45	August 2024	Solar Physics - “Coronal and Interplanetary Shocks”	SOHO, STEREO, SDO, Wind	Samarkand, Uzbekistan	4
46	August 2024	X-ray Astrophysics “A new era of High Resolution X-ray spectroscopy”	XMM-Newton, Chandra, Xrism	Fudan, China	1
47	Sep 2024	International Reference Ionosphere - Improved Real-time Ionospheric Predictions	COSMIC I and II, GPS, GLONASS, Galileo, and Beidou	Kilifi, Kenya	2
41	Jan 2023	Planetary missions data analysis	New Horizons, Juno, Hayabusa, Rosetta	Antofagasta, Chile	
42	Feb 2023	COSPAR - IAU-I-HoW X-ray Astrophysics	XMM-Newton, NICER, NuSTAR	Potchefstroom, South Africa	3
43	May 2023	International Reference Ionosphere - Improved Real-time Ionospheric Predictions	COSMIC I and II, GPS, GLONASS, Galileo, and Beidou	Daejeon City, South Korea	1

# January 2023 - Planetary Sciences in Chile

**COSPAR**  
Data Analysis for Planetary Sciences

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**Data Analysis for Planetary Sciences**  
16-27 Enero 2023  
Antofagasta Chile

**COSPAR CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP  
PLANETARY SCIENCES DATA ANALYSIS**  
Universidad Católica del Norte  
ANTOFAGASTA CHILE

### Key Dates

2022-10-15	Application deadline
2022-11-11	Notification of grants
2022-11-18	Notification for waiting-list openings (if any).





# May 2023 - IR Ionosphere in South Korea



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## Collaborations with IAU

The International Astronomical Union (IAU) has a new programme IAU - Hands on Workshop (I-HoW), very similar to COSPAR's CB

- 2 Ground-based Astronomy Proposals accepted in first I-HoW call (2022), An X-ray space astronomy however proposed further to COSPAR PCB
- >> agreement PCB - I-HoW on 50/50 funding
- >> X-ray astrophysics workshop took place in South Africa in Feb. 2023
- >> Space Astrophysics (JWST) workshop in 2024, Thailand - same model

Model for future space astronomy events!

Next accepted proposal in 2024:

- X-ray astrophysics (XMM, Chandra, Xrism) workshop in China

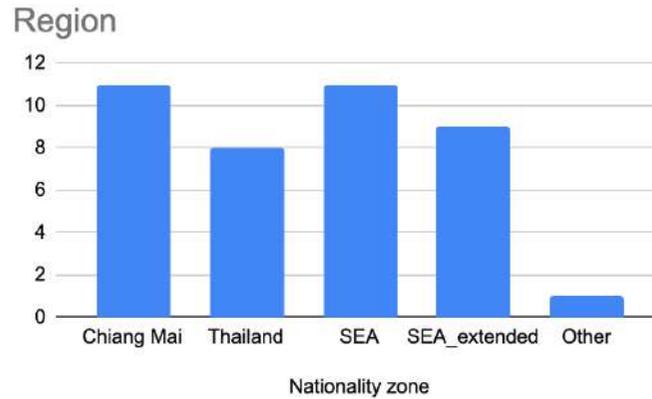
# Last WS - two months ago in Chiang Mai - Thailand



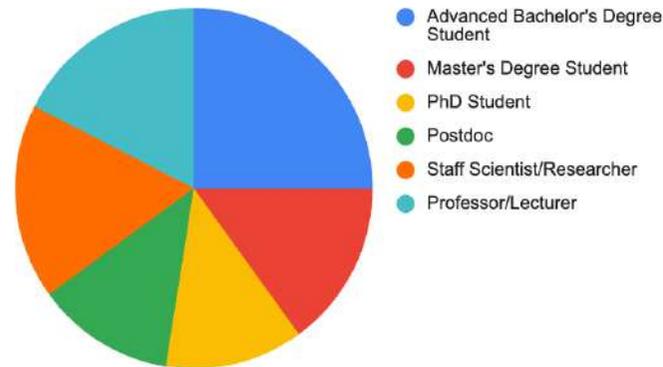
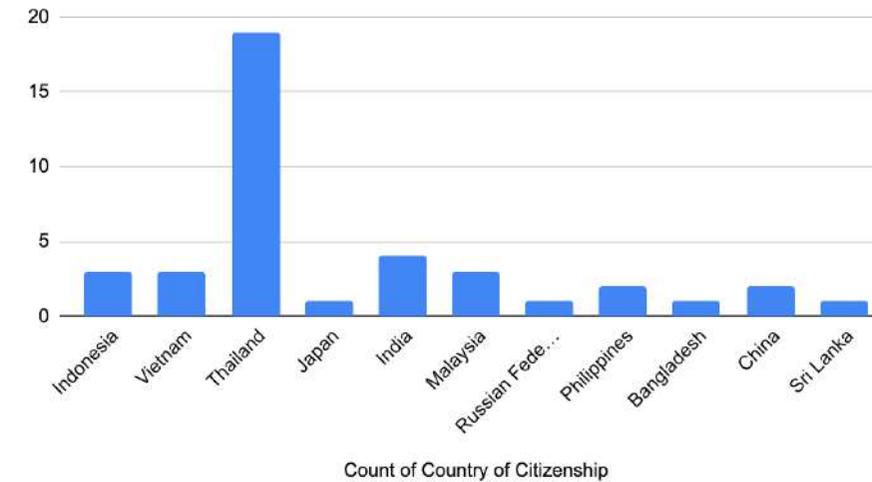
# JWST Data Analysis and Processing COSPAR/IAU workshop

*First WS based on JWST Data (we can expect many more in the future)*

- 128 applications
- 40 selected
- Full lodging + travel subvention for all non locals
- Meals + coffee breaks + excursion for all



Count of Country of Citizenship



Gender distribution (f/m): 19 / 21

# COSPAR/IAU WS on JWST Data Analysis and Processing I

- Thanks to ESA, NASA, JAXA, CAB, NARIT, UNESCO, ITCA
- Excellent team of lecturers/supervisors
- Place excellent - local host fantastic
- First WS of the kind: some difficulties



**JWST Data Analysis and Processing Workshop (South East Asia)**  
**JDAP 2024**  
 Chiang Mai, Thailand  
 24 June - 5 July, 2024

**SOC:**  
 Luis Colina (CAB, Spain) - Scientific Co-Leader  
 Carlos Gabriel (COSPAR PCB, Germany)  
 Nicha Leethochawalit (NARIT, Thailand) - Scientific Co-Leader  
 Mariano Mendez (University of Groningen, the Netherlands)  
 Themiya Nanayakkara (Swinburne, Australia)  
 Collette Salyk (Vassar, USA)  
 Samaporn Tinyanont (NARIT, Thailand)  
 Eva Villaver (IAC, Spain)

**LOC:**  
 Nicha Leethochawalit (NARIT)  
 Samaporn Tinyanont (NARIT)  
 Krittapas Chanchaiworawit (NARIT)  
 Kantanaorn Nungsang (NARIT)  
 Utane Sawangjit (NARIT)  
 Malpon Tangmabhem (NARIT)  
 Supaluck Chanthawan (NARIT)  
 Natthida Yarangsi (NARIT)  
 Supachai Awiphan (NARIT)

**APPLY NOW!**

Application Deadline: 15 February 2024  
 Result Announcement: 15 March 2024  
<https://indico.narit.or.th/e/JDAP2024>  
 Email: [jdap2024@narit.or.th](mailto:jdap2024@narit.or.th)

**NO REGISTRATION FEE!**

Background: Multi-band image from M81 (<https://webbtelescope.org/>)



**JWST Data Analysis and Processing Workshop (South East Asia)**  
 24 June 2024 to 5 July 2024  
 Chiang Mai, Thailand

**Get Hyped!**

**Speaker List**

**SCIENTIFIC LEAD**

**ONLINE**

- Dr Krittapas Chanchaiworawit (National Astronomical Research Institute of Thailand)
- Dr Luis Colina (Centro de Astrobiología, Spain)
- Dr Carlos Gabriel (COSPAR)
- Dr Nicha Leethochawalit (National Astronomical Research Institute of Thailand)
- Dr Javier Alvarez Marquez (Centro de Astrobiología INTA-CSIC, Spain)
- Prof Mariano Mendez (University of Groningen, Netherlands)
- Dr Themiya Nanayakkara (Swinburn University of Technology, Australia)
- Dr Isabel Rebolledo (Centro de Astrobiología INTA-CSIC, Spain)
- Prof Marcia Rieke (University of Arizona, USA)
- Dr Samaporn Tinyanont (National Astronomical Research Institute of Thailand)
- Prof Michele Trenti (University of Melbourne, Australia)
- Prof Eva Villaver (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Spain)
- Assoc. Prof Xin Wang (University of Chinese Academy of Sciences, China)
- Dr Christopher Willmer (Steward Observatory, USA)
- Special guest: Prof. Félix Mirabel (IAFE, Argentina)

# COSPAR/IAU WS on JWST Data Analysis and Processing II

- First direct use of COSPAR Alumni App (AApp) for communication
- Upgrades desired and expected in the short future



- Registering all our Alumni and lecturers
- They can keep updating their data

# COSPAR/IAU WS on JWST Data Analysis and Processing III

Usual Evaluation (answered by > 80%, will complete the report) showing high degree of satisfaction

Evaluation Chiang Mai

Questions Responses **33** Settings

## Evaluation

COSPAR/IAU CB WS on JWST Data Analysis and Processing Workshop (South East Asia)

Email \*

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Your name (It is not essential that you give your name, but we may understand your comments better)

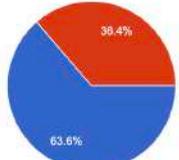
Short answer text

General - The website told me all I needed to know about the workshop

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- No strong feeling
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

The Future - I will be able to use JWST science data in my future research

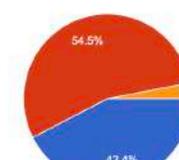
33 responses



Response	Percentage
Strongly agree	63.6%
Agree	36.4%

If I have problems, I know where to go for help

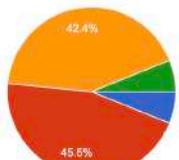
33 responses



Response	Percentage
Strongly agree	42.4%
Agree	54.5%

I have learned enough to do this without much extra help

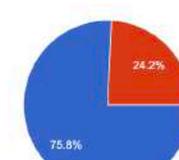
33 responses



Response	Percentage
Strongly agree	~5.5%
Agree	45.5%
Neutral	42.4%

I have benefitted significantly from attending the workshop

33 responses



Response	Percentage
Strongly agree	75.8%
Agree	24.2%

### Some conclusions:

- Serious difficulties with large volumes of data to be downloaded
- S/W shortcomings proper of a young mission
- “Project” time resulting in most cases too short

# COSPAR WS on Solar Physics - Samarkand, Uzbekistan



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## COSPAR Capacity Building Workshop

"CORONAL AND INTERPLANETARY SHOCKS: ANALYSIS OF SOHO, STEREO, SDO, WIND, AND GROUND-BASED RADIO DATA"

COSPAR Capacity Building Workshop

**Coronal and Interplanetary Shocks:  
Analysis of SOHO, STEREO, SDO,  
Wind, and Ground-based Radio  
Data**

**August 19 - 30, 2024**

Samarkand State University,  
Samarkand, Uzbekistan

**Lecturers:**

Nat Gopalswamy (NASA, USA)  
Christian Monstein (Switzerland)  
Seiji Yashiro (CUA, USA)  
Pertti Makela (CUA, USA)  
Nandita Srivastava (USO/PRL, India)  
Kathiravan Chidambaram (IIA, India)  
Wageesh Mishra (IIA, India)  
Javier Bussons Gordo (UAH, Spain)

**Organizing Committee:**

Nat Gopalswamy (NASA, USA)  
Christian Monstein (Switzerland)  
Nandita Srivastava (USO/PRL, India)  
Hakim Hushvaktov (SamSU, Uzbekistan)  
Akhmad Absanov (SamSU, Uzbekistan)  
Rashid Eshburiev (SamSU, Uzbekistan)  
Zavkiddin Mirtoshev (SamSU, Uzbekistan)



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# COSPAR/IAU WS on High Resolution X-ray spectroscopy



**I-HOW  
COSPAR  
Workshop  
2024**

**A New Era of  
High-Resolution  
X-Ray Spectroscopy**

**August 19-30  
2024  
Fudan University  
China**



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# COSPAR WS on International Reference Ionosphere



IRI 2024  
Workshop

Training  
Week

Student  
Application

Registration /Abstract  
Submission

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## COSPAR Capacity-Building Workshop - International Reference Ionosphere

Modeling the ionosphere over Africa and improvements of the International Reference Ionosphere

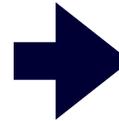
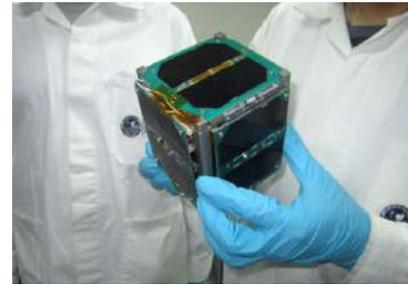
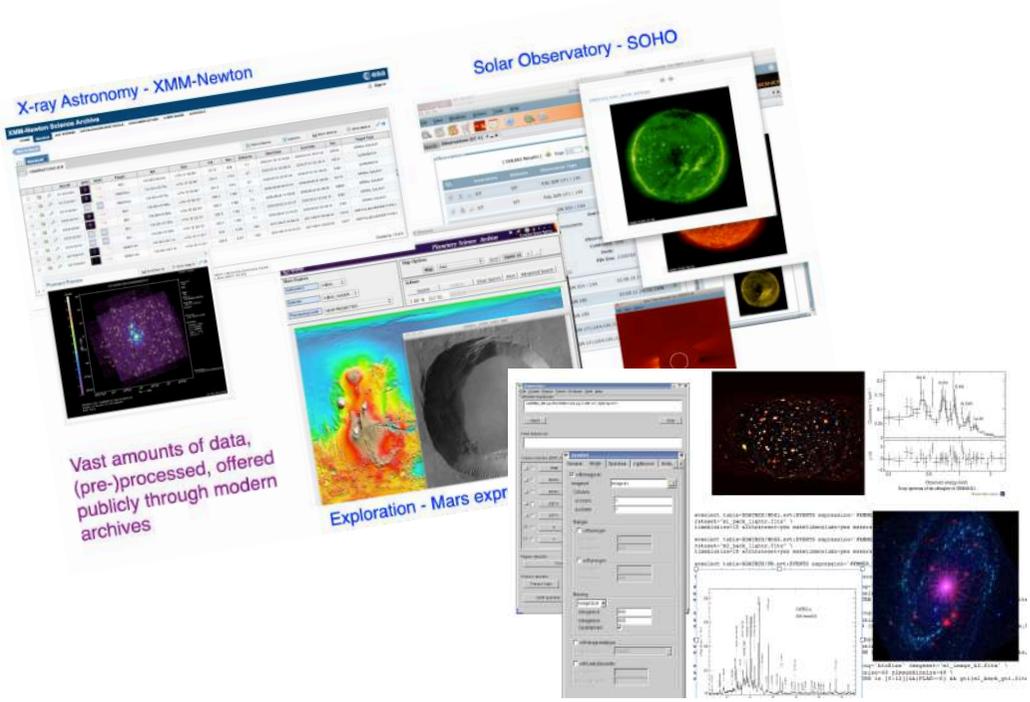
From 2nd – 13th September 2024

Pwani University, Kilifi, Kenya

COSPAR Capacity-Building Workshop  
2 - 13 September

IRI 2024 Workshop  
9 -13 September

# Fostering science excellence in developing countries



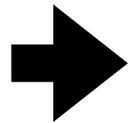
*encouraging **scientists** in developing countries to use **scientific data** from **space missions***



*involving **students** in **small-satellite design, building, testing, and operations** + helping build-up of related **university labs***

# COSPAR CB with INSPIRE - How?

- CB at project team level instead of individual researchers - (5-6 students + 1 supervisor per selected unit)
- Large involvement of universities in developing countries
- Labs development in those universities - long-term commitment
- Collaboration with SS running projects in one or several areas - long-term
- CB across campuses and nations

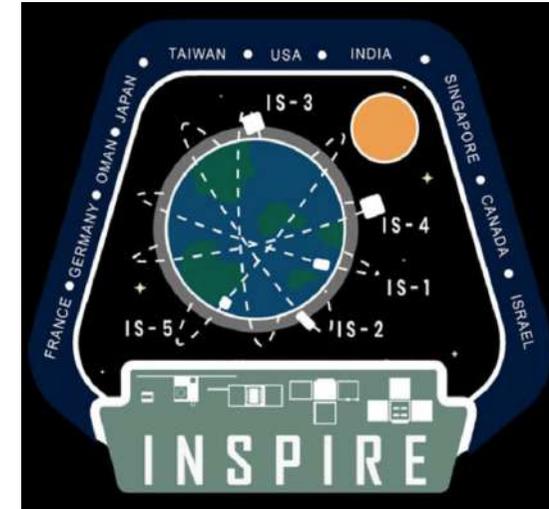
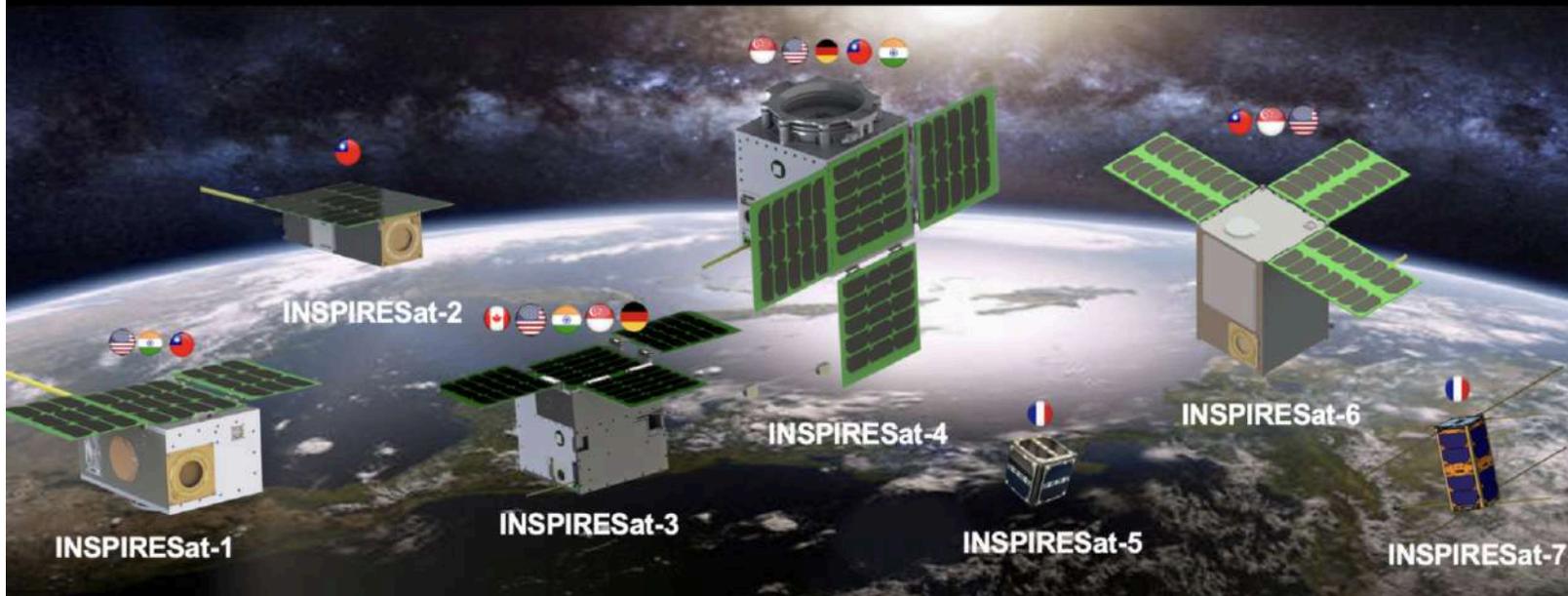


- Partnership with INSPIRE



# INSPIRE

## International Satellite Program in Research and Education Constellation of Satellites



Opportunity for undergraduate and graduate student involvement in small-satellite design, building, testing, and operations

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# COSPAR CB with Small Sats - first experience

- Peruvian team of 5 advanced engineering students selected with some experience in the field to participate in INSPIRE Summer School 2024 (May 28 to August 10)
- Development of 2 small sats:
  - COSPAR-1: Space weather mission - 3U cubesat carrying a LASP solar spectral sensor, a French Lab LATMOC Radiation sensor and Taiwan NCU LEO radiation dosimeter payloads.

Planned to be environmentally tested and ground station end-to-end test completed in the summer.

- COSPAR-2: CIS-lunar 6U mission to fly with lunar lander company *ispace* in 2026. At design and engineering prototype stage.

Planned to do pre-PDR instrument integration (for Space Weather measurements around the Moon) with the spacecraft avionics.

# First report on activities



## Summer School on Small Satellites COSPAR-LASP

Laboratory for Atmospheric and Space Physics (LASP), CU Boulder, CO, USA

07/04/2024

Members of the SATELLITE SYSTEMS UNI – PERU team from the National University of Engineering (UNI), Lima, Peru:

1. Salvador Eduardo Romero de la Roca
2. Roberto Carlos Future Mendieta
3. Martin Jesus Rospigliosi Levano
4. Raul Martin Figueroa Teran
5. Gabriel Ulises Flores Castañeda



Table 1. Members developing each subsystem of the COSPAR-1 mission.

PM	SE	ME	EE	FSW	Thermal	ADCS	Comms	Ground Systems
Vanessa	Dylan	Vanessa	Shatha	Taleb	Vanessa	Shatha	Gabriel	Gabriel
Shatha	Roberto	Phoebe	Roberto	Shatha	Phoebe	Morgan	Halah	Halah
Raul	Tzu-Wei	Martin	Halah	Mohammed	Robert	Halah	Taleb	Taleb
Brandi	Binson	Robert	Kennedy	Roberto	Raul	Binson	Mohammed	Mohammed
Binson	Salvador	Raul	Morgan	Kennedy	Martin	Roberto	Brandi	Brandi
			Tzu-Wei	Vanessa		Dylan	Robert	Shatha
			Raul	YiHsuan		YiHsuan	Phoebe	Salvador
			Gabriel	Gabriel				Binson
			Salvador					YiHsuan
								Tzu-Wei

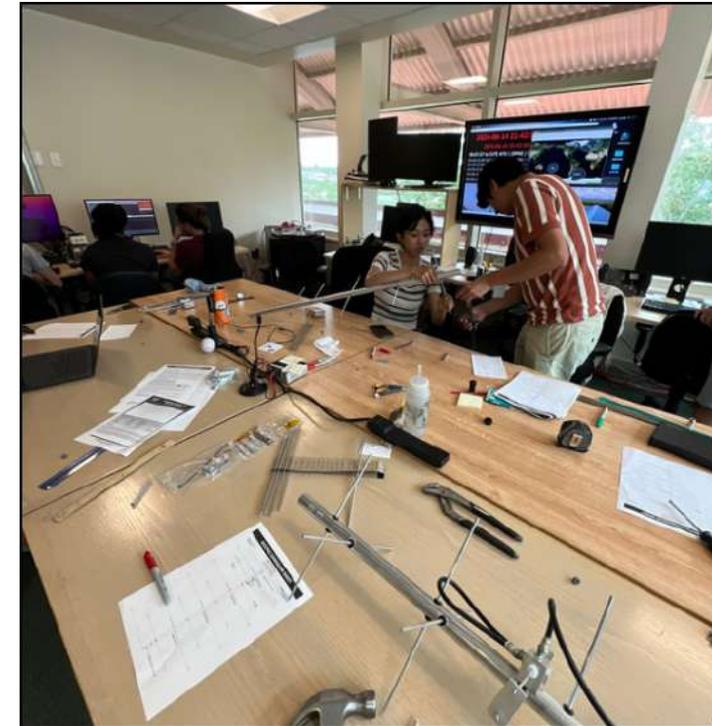
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2. **Roberto Carlos Future Mendieta:**
  - *Systems Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Flight Software, and Attitude Determination and Control System.*
3. **Martin Jesus Rospigliosi Levano:**
  - *Mechanical Engineering, Thermal.*
4. **Raul Martin Figueroa Teran:**
  - *Project Management, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, and Thermal.*
5. **Gabriel Ulises Flores Castañeda:**
  - *Electrical Engineering, Flight Software, Communications, and Ground Systems.*

# In the lab at LASP



Peruvian team working in the LASP Center for Astrophysics and Space Astronomy (CASA) / Astrophysics Research Lab (ARL).

- working on the mechanical design of the COSPAR-1 mission using SolidWorks

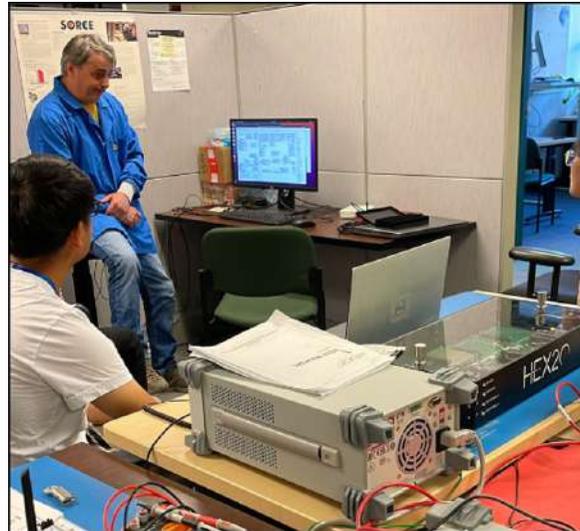


- building a Yagi antenna for FLATSAT HEX20 communication tests for the COSPAR-1 mission

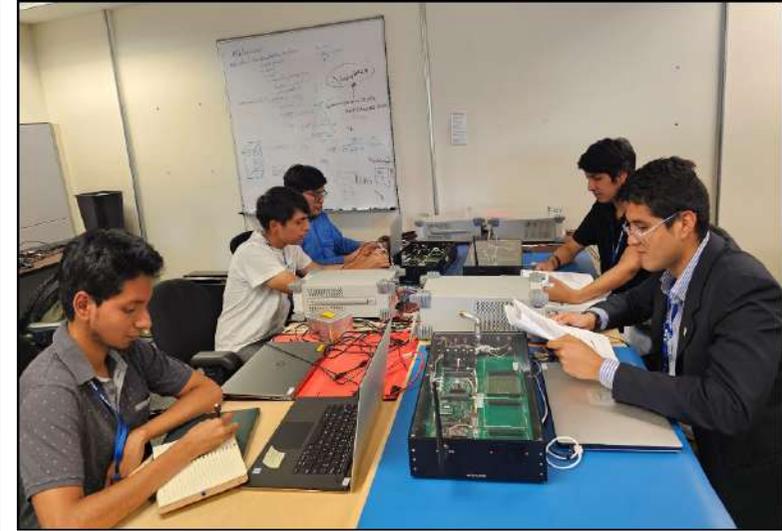
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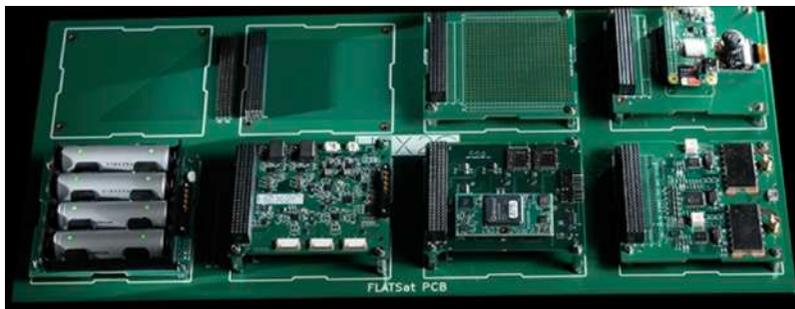
Validating software for FLATSAT HEX20



Performing communication tests



Validating software and performing communication tests for FLATSAT HEX20 for the COSPAR-1 mission



FLATSAT HEX20 lab testbed provided by COSPAR will be used to develop COSPAR-1 and COSPAR-2 and will be shipped to Peru after the summer school as part of the expansion of the local small satellites lab at UNI

# Learning by doing, communicating, collaborating



General presentation of the development of the COSPAR-1 mission during June



Peruvian team members presenting the development of the COSPAR-1 mission



With National Central University (NCU) team from Taiwan in the FLATSAT HEX20 test lab

Communication with UNI authorities: full support to this initiative and providing support of local lab expansion for many years. Budget already in place.

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# Summary

- After 24 years of BC, the initiative is healthier than ever
- 2024: The largest number of workshops within a year in our history
- First JWST data workshop held
- Combination of online components
- Collaborations with other CB organisations
- App for Alumni programme - good first results
- Launch of new programme based on small satellites



Questions? Comments?



# Some COSPAR CB questions

# An app for Alumni communication



<https://workspace.cospar.world/wp-login.php>

## Each workshop its own area

**Committee on Space Research**

Username or Email Address

Password

Remember Me

[Lost your password?](#)

[Go to Workspace](#)

Welcome to COSPAR Workspace  
the COSPAR app for Capacity Building Workshops

This application is designed for COSPAR Capacity Building Workshop participants and lecturers.

There are 4 sections in this application

- Workshops**  
This is where you can consult/manage your workshops
- Chat**  
Chat with other alumni and lecturers
- Tags**  
Find more information/Add a tag to your favorites
- Questions**  
This is where you can ask and reply to questions

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**Modeling the ionosphere over Africa and improvements of the International Reference Ionosphere**

COSPAR Capacity-Building Workshop - International Reference Ionosphere

This COSPAR Capacity Building Workshop combines a week of lectures, tutorials, and project work for students with a week-long IRI Workshop. The project work continues during the IRI Workshop week and the students will be able to attend and present their work during the IRI Workshop.

Duration : 12 days

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Date : 2024-09-02

**A New Era of High-Resolution X-Ray Spectroscopy**

I-HOW COSPAR Workshop 2024

The main goal of this I-HOW/COSPAR workshop is to facilitate the learning of high-resolution X-ray spectroscopy for early-career scientists in the Asia-Pacific countries.

Duration : 12 days

SC E

Date : 2024-08-19

**JWST Data Analysis and Processing Workshop (South East Asia)**

A COSPAR PCB and IAU I-HoW workshop

JWST Data Analysis and Processing Workshop (South East Asia) is one of the Committee on Space Research (COSPAR)'s Capacity Building Activities and the International Astronomical Union (IAU)'s Hands-On Workshops. The workshop trains participants to use public JWST data for scientific research. Participants will download, reduce, and analyse data from all JWST instruments (NIRCam, NIRISS, NIRSpec, and MIRI), using examples from different scientific cases.

Duration : 12 days

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# Registration



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Date : 2024-06-24 this workshop was created by: Carlos

#### Participants

Add a participant  Select user  Add

#	Name	Role	Action
1	carlos	<b>Organiser</b>	<span>remove participant</span>
			<span>remove participant</span>

You have to be registered by an authorised account  
*(You will use an open laptop to register yourself, 1 by 1)*

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### New User

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Role

Alumni

Add User

# I was in a COSPAR CB Workshop

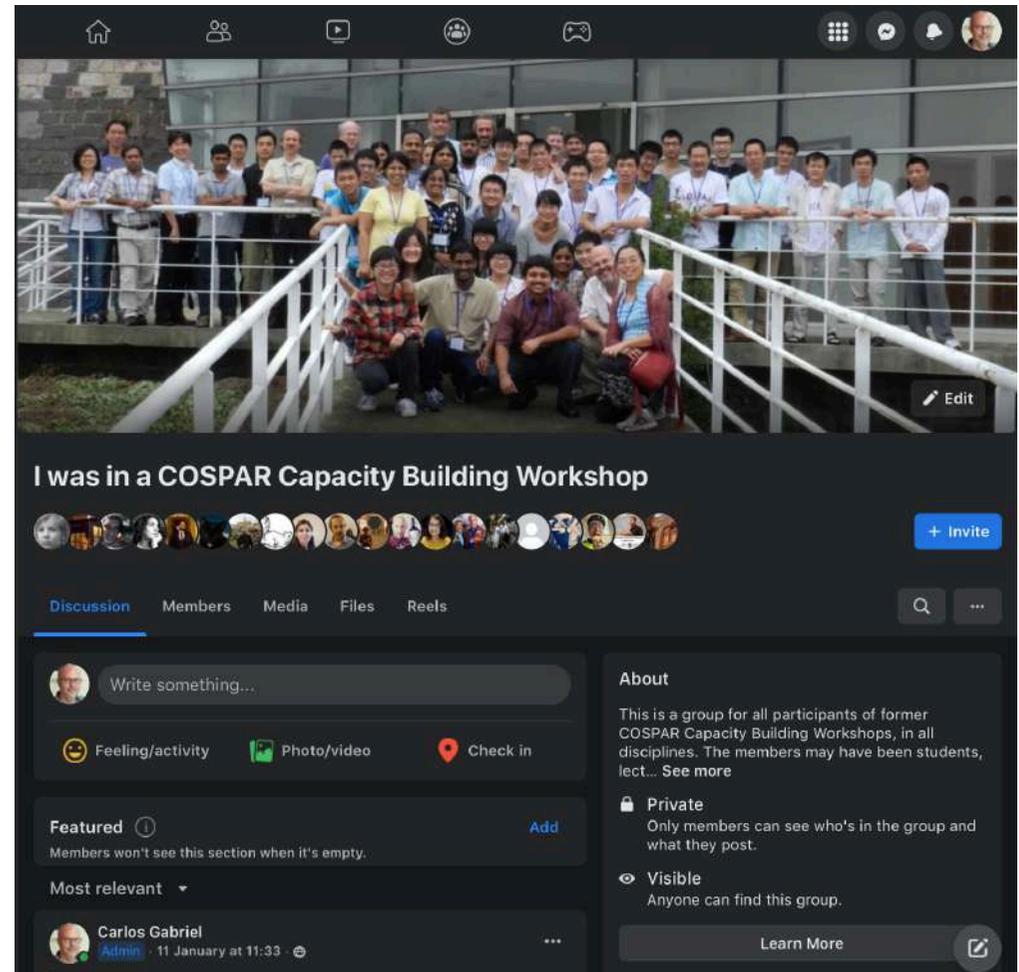


A way to communicate with former participants of a CB WS, get / exchange information, etc

Enroll

Facebook group: “I was in a COSPAR Capacity Building Workshop”

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/519695544831814>



# Alumni



1. Please choose one or two participants of this workshop, who are going to be your representatives, for the Alumni programme:
  - A. Ideally they should volunteer... but if not...
  - B. Main job is to keep the link to all participants in the future (WhatsApp / Facebook / whatever)
  - C. Help in a year or two from now to organize a Zoom session

# COSPAR CB Fellowship



Remember there is a fellowship for former participants of a CB WS...  
...it can be a great opportunity

The screenshot shows the website's navigation menu with options: ABOUT US, LATEST NEWS, STRUCTURE, EVENTS, PUBLICATIONS, AWARDS, SUPPORTERS, YOUNG SCIENTISTS, and LAUNCH LIST. The breadcrumb trail reads: HOMEPAGE > SCIENTIFIC STRUCTURE > PANELS > PANEL ON CAPACITY BUILDING (PCB) >. The main heading is 'THE COSPAR CAPACITY BUILDING FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM AND ALUMNI', with a sub-heading 'Last update Thursday, September 29th, 2022'. A red update notice states: 'UPDATE: deadline for applications extended to 14 October 2022. IMPORTANT: This program is only for young scientists who have participated at one of the COSPAR Capacity-Building Workshops.' A list of links includes: Goals, The Proposed Research Program, Conditions of the Fellowship, Applications, Contacts for collaborating institutions, Criteria for Selection, and Useful links. A 'Goals:' section begins with the text: 'The PCB Fellowship program is open to young scientists who have been participants at one of the COSPAR Capacity-Building Workshops...'.

Details: <https://cosparhq.cnes.fr/scientific-structure/panels/panel-on-capacity-building-pcb/the-cospar-capacity-building-fellowship-program-and-alumni/>

Find link: <https://cosparhq.cnes.fr/events/cospar-capacity-building-workshops/>

# Your evaluation



You can help us to improve (is that possible??!! yes, sure)

Evaluation Chiang Mai ☆ All changes saved in Drive Send

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## Evaluation

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COSPAR/IAU CB WS on JWST Data Analysis and Processing Workshop (South East Asia)

**Email \***  
Valid email

This form is collecting emails. [Change settings](#)

**Your name** (It is not essential that you give your name, but we may understand your comments better)  
Short answer text

General - The website told me all I needed to know about the workshop

1. Strongly agree

**Lectures**

The science lectures were for me personally the most useful part of the workshop

The software lectures were for me personally the most useful part of the workshop

The projects were for me personally the most useful part of the workshop

**Science lectures - Time**

The time spent on the lectures was too long

The time spent on the lectures was too short

The time spent on the lectures was just right

**Science lectures - Level**

The lectures were at too high a level

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# Your duties



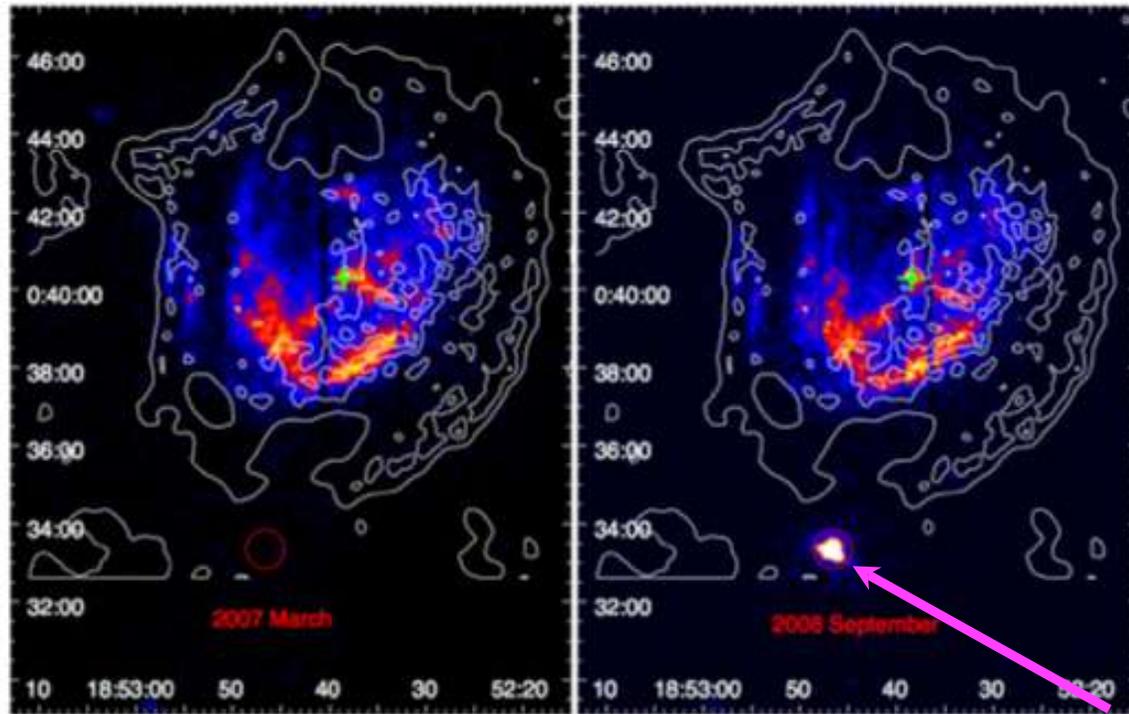
- Register in the COSPAR App (after the presentation)
- Volunteer to become / choose a WS representative
- Become a member of the FB group “I was in a COSPAR CB WS”
- Fill in your comments in the Evaluation Google Form
- Think about applying for a COSPAR Fellowship
- Be (reasonably) happy



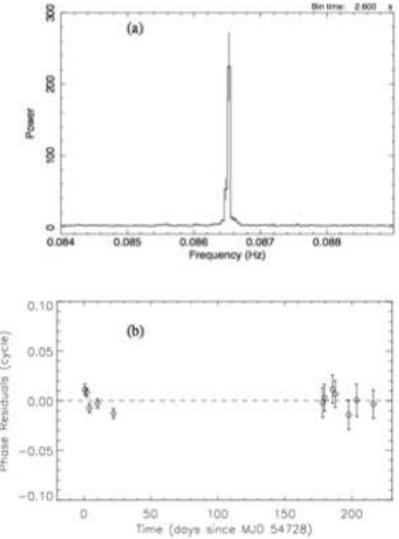
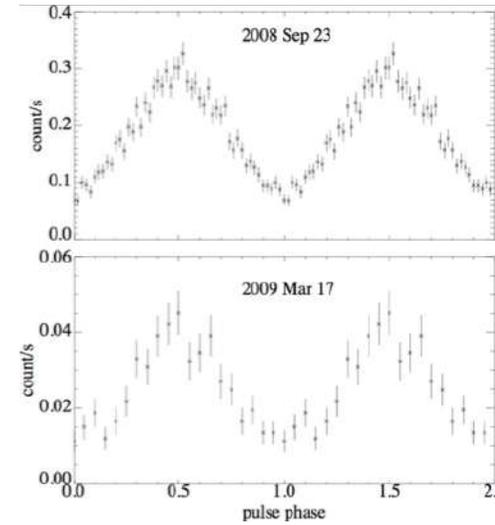
# A bonus track?

# Bonus track: a COSPAR CB WS history

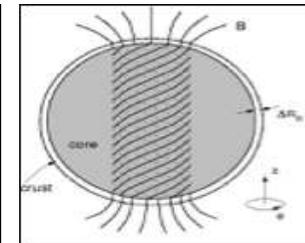
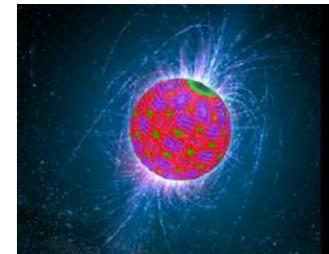
X-ray astronomy CB Workshop (Xuyi, China, 9/2013)  
 The student Ping Zhou revisited data from the XMM-Newton archive (observations of the SNR - Kes 79)



3XMM  
 J185246.6+003317



**Magnetar:** neutron star with an extremely **high magnetic field**  
 (unique labs to study physics of ultra-magnetized objects)



The combination of spectral and frequency properties, the non-detection of optical / IR counterparts, nor in X-ray archives:

- >> **transient magnetar** with the longest period  $P \sim 12s$
- >> **nineth** transient magnetar **discovered**, **third** of the low magnetic field class



W11.com Rare magnetar found near supernova

### Rare magnetar found near supernova remnant

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**T**weet Washington, Dec. 12 (ANI): Astronomers have discovered a new transient magnetar near supernova remnant SNR Kesteven 79. It is likely that the magnetar, an ultra-magnetic neutron star, was part of a binary star system together with an anti-magnetar. During a COSPAR training workshop, PhD student Ms. Ping Zhou from the University of Nanjing in China used X-ray images from ESA's X-ray telescope XMM-Newton from 2008 and 2009 to discover a bright source south of the supernova remnant that was not visible in

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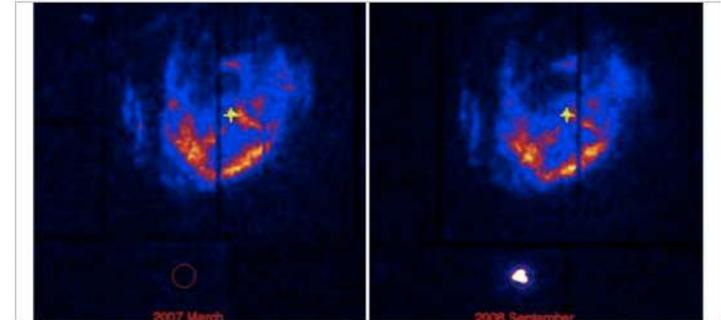
Rare magnetar discovered in the vicinity of a supernova remnant

A team of astronomers led by the PhD student Ms. Ping Zhou from the University in China discovered a new transient magnetar. This magnetar, the ninth of its class identified during a COSPAR Capacity Building Workshop for young researchers in countries.

## Zeldzame magnetar ontdekt nabij supernovarest

woensdag 11 december 2013, 16:00

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De supernovarest SNR Kes 79 en de ontdekte magnetar 3XMM J186536.6+003317 in het röntgen in 2007 en 2008. Credit: Zhou et al. 2014

Een team van astronomen onder leiding van de Chinese promovenda Ping Zhou heeft een nieuwe veranderlijke magnetar ontdekt. De ontdekking van deze 9e magnetar in zijn soort is gedaan binnen een COSPAR Capacity Building Workshop voor jonge onderzoekers in ontwikkelingslanden. Mogelijk vormde de magnetar (een ultramagnetische neutronenster) een dubbelster met een anti-magnetar. De resultaten van het onderzoek worden gepubliceerd in het tijdschrift *Astrophysical Journal Letters*.

## Un raro magnetar descubierto en las cercanías de un remanente de supernova



12/12/2013 de NOVA/COSPAR

Un equipo de astrónomos dirigido por la estudiante Ms. Ping Zhou de la Universidad de Nanjing en China descubrió un nuevo magnetar transitorio. Este magnetar, el noveno de su clase, fue identificado durante unos talleres organizados por COSPAR para jóvenes investigadores de países en desarrollo. Es probable que el magnetar, una estrella de neutrones ultramagnética, formara parte de un sistema binario de estrellas junto con un antimagnetar.