

*Announcement from the A&A Board of Directors*

**Call for candidates for Letters Editor-in-Chief of A&A**

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Chairperson, Board of Directors of Astronomy & Astrophysics

The Board of Directors of A&A invites applications for the position of Letters Editor-in-Chief, which will become vacant on 1 February, 2013.

Candidates are expected to have a broad and strong record of published influential research in astronomy and astrophysics, and previous experience in scientific publishing. The successful candidate will show a strong interest in developing and promoting the Journal, and will also possess the interpersonal skills needed to work closely together with a team of Editors.

Candidates should be prepared to commit the time needed to handle the A&A Letters Section and as well work as scientific editor of a number of manuscripts. The Letters Editor-in-Chief (LEiC) has the overall responsibility for the Letters Section and works closely with the Editor-in-Chief (EiC).

Support for office equipment and secretarial help, as well as an annual indemnity, is provided for this position. The initial term of appointment is four years.

Applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, a list of publications, and a letter of intent summarising the candidate's qualifications and motivation for seeking the position of Letters Editor-in-Chief. Possible support for the task from the candidate's home institute in terms of equipment, office space or personnel should also be outlined in the application.

Applications should be sent by e-mail in PDF format to the Chairperson of the Board of Directors, with a copy to the Vice-Chairperson. Prompt acknowledgement of receipt will be given. Informal inquiries about the position may be directed to the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of the Board or to the Editor-in-Chief (see below). Applications received **by 10 November 2012** will receive full consideration.

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