

## **Letter from the Board of Directors of *Astronomy & Astrophysics***

### **1. New A&A membership**

At its meeting in Dwingeloo, Netherlands, on 6 May 2006, the Board of Directors admitted Croatia to full membership in A&A. Croatia will enter the group of A&A sponsoring countries on 1 January 2008.

### **2. New Associate Editor position**

Considering the new developments in planetary sciences, the Board decided to open a new position of Associate Editor, one specialized in “observational and theoretical planetary science”.

Applications are invited for this new position. The new Associate Editor is expected to have a broad and recognized expertise in planetary science, as witnessed by a strong record of influential published research in that field. Preference will be given to candidates with expertise in both theory and observations. Candidates should describe their experience as a referee and/or journal editor. They should be prepared to commit the time needed to handle the peer review of up to two hundred papers per year. Limited 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 concise letter that summarizes the candidate’s qualifications and the reasons for seeking an Associate Editor position. Possible support for the task (in terms of equipment, office space or personnel) from the home institute should also be discussed in the application. Applications should preferably be e-mailed or sent/faxed to the Chairman of the Board of Directors:

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Applications received by 31 October 2007 will receive full consideration. Informal inquiries about the positions may be directed by e-mail to Georges Meynet.

On behalf of the Board of Directors  
Georges Meynet