

Announcement from the A&A Board of Directors
Call for candidates for 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 Editor-in-Chief, which will become vacant on January 1, 2012.

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 lead the editorial team and handle the occasional conflicts that occur during the peer-review process.

Candidates should be prepared to commit the time needed to head the team of Associate Editors and to handle the peer review of a sizable number of manuscripts. The new Editor-in-Chief will lead the Journal with the help of the Letters Editor-in-Chief and of the Managing Editor, who is in charge of the editorial office currently based at the Paris Observatory.

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 Editor-in-Chief. Any 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 e-mailed 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 current Editor-in-Chief (see below).

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Applications received by July 31, 2011 will receive full consideration.