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Colleagues:

I hope you are all doing well, and wish you all a Happy New Year.

IAU General Assembly postponed to 2022

You will have probably heard by now that our next General Assembly in Busan, Korea has been postponed due to Covid. Information about this as well as revised dates/information about upcoming symposia can be found here:

<https://www.iau.org/science/meetings/future/>

Elections for Division E Steering Committee and Vice-President (future president) coming soon

Although the General Assembly is postponed, the IAU business meeting will still take place this coming August, and the turnover of Division and Commission officers and steering committee membership will occur as usual. **Cristina Mandrini**, our current Division E Vice President, will become our next Division E President.

Over the new couple of months, we need to build a slate of candidates for the new Division E Vice President (and eventual President) and for the steering committee. We strongly encourage IAU members to consider running for election. We expect the IAU Secretariat to shortly post information about the roles and expectations for these positions, and in the meantime encourage you to contact Sarah Gibson for further information.

If you are interested in running for election for Division E Vice President or Steering Committee -- please email Sarah Gibson (sgibson@ucar.edu) by **February 15, 2021**.

Note that Commissions will similarly be preparing for election, and you should be hearing from the Commission presidents about this if you are a member.

New Cross-Division (E-F-G) Commission: Impact of Magnetic Activity on Solar and Stellar Environments

You should have received an email from the IAU General Secretary recently with a spreadsheet of all the Commissions, including three new commissions. One of these, "Impact of Magnetic Activity on Solar and Stellar Environments" is central to Division E science, as it has evolved from the IAU Working Group on the same subject.

If you wish to participate in this or any of the other new Commissions, please complete and submit the [registration form](#) by **January 29th, 2021**.

Remember that the IAU Working Rules indicate that any Individual or Junior Member can belong to no more than 3 Commissions, allowing membership of a 4th Commission only when it belongs to Division B or C. You can find out which of the commissions you belong to by going to your personal web page. Note that for the existing Commissions you may join or leave a Commission at any time.

Passings of colleagues

The following Division E members have passed away recently (see also https://www.iau.org/science/scientific_bodies/divisions/E/DeceasedDivisionE/):

[Baranovsky, Edward A.](#) (1931-2020)
[Brown, John](#) (1947-2019)
[Chitre, Shashikumar, M.](#) (1936-2021)
[Cuperman, Sami](#) (1928-2019)
[Hanasz, Jan](#) (1936-2020)
[Paresce, Francesco](#) (1940-2019)
[Seiradakis, John H.](#) (1948-2020)
[Spiegel, Edward](#) (1931-2020)
[Weiss, Nigel](#) (1935-2020)
[Zhugzhda, Yusef](#) (1936-2020)

All will be missed.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments on Division E activities.

Regards,

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