

Third Announcement:

Third LOFAR Data Processing School

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The Third LOFAR Data Processing School will take place at ASTRON in Dwingeloo (The Netherlands), in the week of **17-21 November 2014**.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

The final programme is available on the School website at:

<http://www.astron.nl/lofarschool2014/programme.php>

The lectures will start on Monday 17 November 2014 at 9:00 and will finish on Friday 17 November at 14:30.

The lecturers will be

M. A. Brentjens, A. G de Bruyn, S. Buitink, T. J. Dijkema, R. A. Fallows, W. Frieswijk, G. H. Heald, J. Hessels, H. Holties, E. Mahony, J. McKean, M. Mevius, J. D. Mol, J. Moldon, M. J. Norden, B. R. Oonk, E. Orru', R. F. Pizzo, S. van der Tol, M. Wise.

INFORMATION FOR THE PARTICIPANTS

Participants are expected to bring fairly recent Linux or MAC o/s laptops. No LOFAR reduction packages will be installed on these machines. The participants will use the laptop to connect to the LOFAR CEP cluster to perform the tutorial work.

VENUE

The school will be hosted by ASTRON (Dwingeloo).

Dwingeloo is in the north-east of the Netherlands, and can be reached in about 20 minutes by either private car or taxi from Hoogeveen railway station.

For a train schedule, please look at the website <http://www.ns.nl/en/travellers/home>.

Note that Hoogeveen train station is equipped with ticket machines, which accepts Mastercards, coins, or Maestro cards.

On Sunday 16 November we will arrange shuttle buses from Hoogeveen to Fletcher Hotel de Borken and on Friday 21 November we will arrange buses from ASTRON to the railway station in Hoogeveen.

The shuttle bus on Sunday will depart from Hoogeveen railway station at 14:54 / 16:54 / 18:54. *Please inform us about your arrival time in Hoogeveen by sending a e-mail to lofarschool@astron.nl*

The participants will be accommodated at Fletcher hotel de Borken (<http://www.hoteldeborken.nl>) in the nearby town of Dwingeloo (approx. 2 km from ASTRON). Note that the hotel is equipped with a swimming pool, therefore we advise you to bring your swimming suit in case you would like to use this facility.

A registration desk will be available on Sunday afternoon at hotel de Borken (17:00-19:00), and on Monday morning from 8:30 at ASTRON. On Sunday evening you are invited to join the small welcome reception with a few drinks and snacks at hotel de Borken (18:00-19:00).

The registration fee of 150 Euro that you have already paid will cover a welcoming reception, coffee/tea/lunches during the 5 days of the school, the school dinner on Monday evening, the visit to the LOFAR core on Wednesday morning, and a shuttle bus service between ASTRON and the railway station on 16 and 21 November. Moreover, the fee also includes a hard copy of the first LOFAR Data Book documenting the topics presented in the lectures. The participants will receive the Book after the School.

For the people who asked for it at registration, we will provide bikes that will allow you to reach ASTRON from the hotel every morning and also to the restaurants in town. If you did not ask for a bike at registration, but want to use one during the school, please let us know at lofarschool@astron.nl.

On Tuesday 18 and Thursday 20 November before the evening lectures, the participants can have dinner in two suggested nearby restaurants at a special rate (to be paid by the participants). Since these restaurant do not accept credit card payments, we advise you to bring some cash with you to the School. More information about the restaurants will be given during the school.

See you in Dwingeloo,

The LOFAR School LOC

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