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“The 2019 LOFAR Users Meeting” & “The 2019 LOFAR Community Science Workshop” and “LOFAR 2.0 discussion”

May 20-23, 2019

Leiden, The Netherlands

Website: www.astron.nl/lofarscience2019

Registration is now open

The International LOFAR Telescope (ILT) consortium will host workshops for the LOFAR community from 20-23 May 2019 in Leiden, the Netherlands.

The events will begin on Monday 20 May at 11 am with the *2019 LOFAR Users Meeting*. This meeting is aimed at a wide-ranging dialogue with the full LOFAR community, and will bring together members of the Key Science Projects (KSPs), researchers with approved LOFAR projects, as well as any potential LOFAR users. It will provide a forum to both learn about the status of the array as well as to give feedback.

Following the Users Meeting, the *2019 LOFAR Community Science Workshop* will kick off on Tuesday morning 21 May, and will run through until the end of the day on Wednesday, 22 May. It will feature a wide range of talks on exciting new scientific results from the Cycle observing programmes. Special emphasis will be given in the programme to younger members of the collaboration to give them a chance to showcase their results.

On Thursday 23 May, the *LOFAR 2.0 discussion* will take place. During this event, the plans for the LOFAR upgrade will be presented and discussed in detail. The discussion will conclude at lunch time.

For all the meetings, details are available on the workshop website

www.astron.nl/lofarscience2019

Registration

You can register for the events [here](#). One registration fee of 200 euros is applied which includes the participation to all events from 20-23 May.

*****The deadline for registration and payment of the registration fee is 30 April 2019*****

Abstract submission

If you are interested in giving a presentation during the LOFAR Community Science workshop, please submit a title and abstract using the [online submission form](#). You will need to first register for the workshop before you will be able to submit an abstract.

*** **The deadline for abstract submission is 29 March 2019** ***

Venue

The meetings will be held at [Scheltema](#), in Leiden, the Netherlands. The meeting venue is located only 10 minutes walking distance from Leiden central station, with easy access from Amsterdam Schiphol airport.

Various hotels are located close to Scheltema and near the centre of Leiden. A few hotels have been selected nearby the meeting venue. More detailed information can be found [here](#). You are requested to arrange and pay for your own hotel reservation.

Note: a block booking has NOT been made but you will receive a discount by using a reservation code (see details [online](#)). Offers are subject to availability. We advise you to make your reservation as soon as possible as May is a popular month for tourism.

Financial support

Financial support is available to waive the registration fee for a few students and beginning researchers. **The budget for this support is limited, and requests must be received by the 30 April deadline.** You can send an e-mail to the LOC at lofarworkshop@astron.nl, stating the stage of your career, explaining other relevant circumstances, and giving your motivation for attending the conference. Decisions will be communicated by 3 May.

If you have questions about any of the meetings, feel free to contact us directly at lofarworkshop@astron.nl. We look forward to seeing you all in Leiden!

Sincerely,

Roberto Pizzo
On behalf of the Local Organizing Committee