

Astronomical Society of the Republic of China 2017 Scientific Assembly (ASROC2017)
National United University, Miaoli
May 19 – 21, 2017

The 2017 Scientific Assembly of the Astronomical Society of the Republic of China (ASROC2017) will be held at National United University on May 19 (Friday) – 21 (Sunday), 2017. This is an annual event for all astronomers and astrophysicists in Taiwan to present their most recent discoveries and observations, to report their latest research results, to exchange ideas, and to organize collaborations. Oral presentations and conference posters in all areas of astronomy and astrophysics are solicited. ASROC2017 is also an excellent venue for students, in particular graduate students, to present their research findings or progress from their thesis studies.

The meeting will include plenary talks, scientific and educational sessions, poster presentation, and a business meeting. This year, the featured plenary speakers are 1) Prof. Christopher Russell of University of California, Los Angeles. Prof. Russell is the principal investigator of the Dawn mission to the asteroids Vesta and Ceres. He is the acting System-wide Director of Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics (IGPP), the head of the Space Physics Center in IGPP, UCLA and the Director of the UCLA Branch of the California Space Grant Consortium. He has also led and participated in many space missions, such as POLAR, Rosetta, STEREO and THEMIS. His plenary talk will be “The Dawn Mission to Vesta and Ceres: A Mission in Space and Time.” 2) Prof. Gabriela González, Department of Physics and Astronomy, Louisiana State University. Prof. González is the spokesperson of LIGO Scientific Collaboration. Her works focus on the detection of gravitational waves. She will present “Searching for - and Finding! - Gravitational Waves.”

ASROC2017 website is now open for registration. Participants of the scientific assembly should submit their abstracts and register on-line. A registration fee of NT\$1,000 (NT\$800 for students) should be paid on site.

The Astronomical Society cordially invites you to participate in this annual event with all the many interesting and exciting activities. For more details and updated information, please visit the ASROC website at <http://www.asroc.org.tw/>.

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