

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. The featured plenary speakers are 1) Prof. Christopher Russell of University of California, Los Angeles. 2) Prof. Gabriela González, Department of Physics and Astronomy, Louisiana State University. Prof. Russell, the principal investigator of the Dawn mission, will give a plenary talk on “The Dawn Mission to Vesta and Ceres: A Mission in Space and Time.” Prof. González, the spokesperson of LIGO Scientific Collaboration, will talk about “Searching for - and Finding! - Gravitational Waves.”

In the Assembly, the Society will also present the 4th Heaven Quest Award to Academician Wing Ip for his distinguished contributions to astronomical research, and the 4th Heaven Talk Award to Family Star Club for their outstanding contributions to astronomy education and popularization of astronomy. In addition to the scientific agenda, a conference banquet will be held in the evening of May 20 (Sat) and all meeting participants are welcome to attend; the afternoon is reserved for group discussions or group excursions for choice. Exhibitions of astronomical books and instruments are also planned during the meeting.

ASROC2017 website is now open for registration and abstract submission. The deadline for online registration is April 15 and for abstract submission, March 31. 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 LOC has secured special rate for local hotels. Please contact the hotel for the reservation. For more detailed information and update, please visit the ASROC2017 website at <http://www.asroc.org.tw/asroc2017/en/>.

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