

## FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

### The 5th Scientific Writing for Young Astronomers (SWYA 5)

Kunming – China, 06 Jan. – 10 Jan., 2020

<http://www.swya.org>

<http://swya5.csp.escience.cn>

Dear Colleague,

The journal of Astronomy & Astrophysics is dedicated, among other things, to the nurturing of the scientific writing skills of young astronomers. Over the years, it has organized many workshops and summer schools to hone such skills. In the spirit of this tradition, we hereby announce that the 5<sup>th</sup> Scientific Writing for Young Astronomers (SWYA5) school, the latest in this series of events, is due to take place at Yunnan Observatories, Chinese Academy of Sciences from 06 Jan. to 10 Jan. 2020 in Kunming, China, and will be jointly sponsored by the EDP Sciences Publisher, Astronomy & Astrophysics, and Yunnan Observatories.

SWYA5 offers instruction on how to write scientific papers, as well as information regarding the meta-game of scientific publishing. More specifically, its mission is to improve the capabilities of its participants to write various forms of scientific papers (journals, proceedings, theses, etc.). The event is not a language learning class, nor does it offer technical training in typesetting and word processing. All young scientists are encouraged to apply, but due to our limited enrollment capacity, priority will be given to astronomers who are more likely to contribute more to the field as a result of taking these classes.

For the duration of the event, meals and hotel accommodation in Kunming will be covered by the organizers for all enrolled personnel. Acceptance to attend the school requires commitment to actively participate in the 1-week long program and in all the scheduled activities.

#### Lectures:

Each morning and afternoon session will contain at least three lectures. Every lecture will be followed by an open discussion session, where students can address any issues related to the topics treated in the lectures.

A daily "students only" discussion session will be organized, where students will be given ample opportunity to raise questions.

All participating lecturers have extensive professional experience in publishing, editorial matters, scientific writing and library and database management.

Students may also bring manuscripts and drafts of papers and seek advice, or present their own research in poster format. Posters will not be included in the Proceedings book.

#### Main Topics:

General introduction of Scientific Publishing	T. Forveille	A&A Editor in chief
History of Astronomy and Astrophysics	A. Moitinho	Prof. in Docente Uni
The Research Perspective of Scientific Writing	R. Kotak	A&A Science Editor
The Language Perspective of Scientific Writing		A&A Language Editors
Publishing Data	L. Cambresy	Prof. In Rue de l'Uni
The Publisher's view of Producing A&A	A. Ruimy	EDPS Senior Publisher
Good Scientific Practice	J. Alves	A&AL Editor in Chief
Writing a Scientific Paper	S. Shore	A&A Associate Editor
Effective Communication in Scientific Writing	Z. Han	A&A Associate Editor
Bibliometrics & OA publishing in Astronomy	Y. Chen	Director of NAOC Lib

**Registration and Accommodation Fees:**

2000 CNY per person.

**Visa Application:**

Attendees from most countries are required to obtain a visa to enter the People's Republic of China. Please provide the following information by email to the LOC, who will issue a formal invitation letter to assist you in obtaining a visa to China:

1. A scanned copy of the photo page of your passport
2. Nationality and your current country of residence
3. Your affiliation, title, and postal address
4. The Chinese embassy/consulate at which you intend to apply for your visa
5. Dates of arrival and departure in China

**Important Dates:**

## School Period

- Registration: Jan. 06<sup>th</sup>
- Opening Ceremony: Jan. 07<sup>th</sup>
- Closing Ceremony: Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>

## Student and Scholar Application

- Open application: Nov. 1st, 2019
- **Deadline for application: Nov. 30th, 2019**
- Notification of acceptance: mid- December, 2019

**Scientific Organizing Committee:**

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**Contact Us:**

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- For further information regarding the application, announcements, etc., please check [swya5.csp.escience.cn](http://swya5.csp.escience.cn) or [www.swya.org](http://www.swya.org), or contact the chair of the LOC: Xuefei Chen ([xuefeichen@ynao.ac.cn](mailto:xuefeichen@ynao.ac.cn))
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