

Dear SKA friends & colleagues

Please find below the latest industry-relevant news on SKA activities within Australia.

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SKA news for Australian industry: 5 January 2006

1. New web updates following SKA Industry Briefing on 5 December

Thank you to everyone who attended and participated in the first SKA industry cluster event at Marsfield on 5 December 2005.

All presentations are now on-line, please see new web page at http://www.atnf.csiro.au/projects/ska/industry_2/cluster1_followup.html

Notification on the next events as part of the SKA industry cluster mapping project will follow shortly.

2. WARS – bi-annual Workshop on the Applications of Radio Science

WARS is forum organized by the National Committee for Radio Science, for the presentation of current work in radio science, focusing on Australia (but not limited to), and for discussion to promote new work.

You are cordially invited to the next WARS in Leura, NSW, 15-17 February 2006. More information can be found at <http://www.ips.gov.au/IPSHosted/NCRS/wars.html>

Whilst the program isn't yet finalized, there is likely to be a session on both SKA R&D and Australian space related activities. The proceedings of the last meeting are a good guide of the breadth of the workshop. This is an opportunity to talk with a wide variety of practicing radio scientists in an informal environment.

For more information/registration contact Dr Phil Wilkinson, phil@ips.gov.au Deputy Director IPS Radio and Space Services and WARS convener.

3. IAU (International Astronomical Union) General Assembly, Prague 14-25 August 2006.

This is the largest meeting of the astronomical community, held every 3 years: the last one was in Sydney, enormously successful, attracting >2000 participants from Observatories world-wide and hosting an Astronomy Industry Day.

There are a number of opportunities for sponsorship and exhibitions for the meeting in Prague: We are seeking partners for the Australian SKA exhibition stands. If you are interested in participating or partnering/sponsoring the Australian SKA stand(s) please contact Carole Jackson for more information.

IAU GA website: www.astronomy2006.com

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