Europa Initiative workshop #3 CAB, Madrid, Feb. 29-March 1, 2016

Monday, Feb. 29

Bus departure from Madrid at 9:30

Welcome to the Workshop

Session 1. Overall mission context (10:00-11:15)

- Presentation of the Europa initiative and its boundary conditions (M. Blanc)
- ESA Cosmic Vision and the M5 call (L. Colangeli)
- Science of the NASA Europa mission (R.T. Pappalardo)
- Science of ESA JUICE mission (O. Grasset)
- Outstanding science questions and critical measurements complementary to the Europa Mission (H. Waite)

Coffee break 11:15-11:30

Session 2. Science Themes objectives

2.1 Overview from WG (part I) (11:30-13:00)

- Science objectives of Magnetospheric interactions WG (M. Blanc)
- Science objectives of Exospheres WG (P. Hartogh)
- Science objectives of Geochemistry WG (F. Tosi)

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Lunch (13:00-14:15)

2.2 Overview from WG (part II) (14:15-15:45)

- Science objectives of Geology WG (R. Wagner)
- Science objectives of Geophysics WG (T. van Hoolst)
- Science objectives of Astrobiology WG (O. Prieto-Ballesteros)

Coffee break 15:45-16:15

Session 2 (cont.) Science Themes objectives (16:15-18:30)

2.3 Science perspectives

(10 min./each, including questions)

- o The origin of life and possibility of life on Europa (Frances Westall)
- Life in cold environments: Earth analogues (Felipe Gómez)
- Biosignatures (Victor Parro)
- Planetary Protection policies for Europa and other icy bodies (Carlos Briones)
- Evaluating landing sites on Europa role of small scale surface features (Akos Kereszturi)
- o Landing accuracy studies for Akon (Konstantinos Konstantinidis)
- Measuring Tidal Deformations and the Interior Structure of Europa (Gregor Steinbrügge)
- o Icy Moons Penetrator Science Package-IMPS (Jane MacCarthur)
- Rapid response tools for Europa science (Michael Johnson)
- o Essential Design Features for Penetrator & Mini Lander (Tze Chuen Ng)
- o Robotic Mission to Europa (Alain Fournier-Sicre)

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2.4 Building a strong Science case

- General discussion on the Science objectives, prioritization and formulation of a strong science case
- Organization of splinter groups for cross discussion

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Session 3. Spacecraft options (10:00-11:15)

Review of the mission profiles/feasibility/payload of different option spacecraft:

- Review of the options for the augmented payload of EMF (V. Sterken)
- Review of a Europa small orbiter (TBC)
- Review of a free flyer (D. Mimoun)
- Review of a Penetrator (G. Jones)
- Review of a Soft lander (J. Lasue)

Coffee break 11:15-11:30

Session 4. Splinter groups discussions (11:30-12:55)

Cross discussion in splinter Science Themes working groups
People from Spacecraft WGs should contribute to these splinter groups
Preparation of a brief report to prioritize the missions from the Science objectives

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Session 4 (cont.) Splinter groups discussions (14:15-15:45)

Presentation of A-F WG reports Cross discussions

Session 5. Summary and conclusions

5.1 General discussion, prioritization, recommendations (15:45-16:45)

5.2 Conclusions and preparation of the proposal (16:45-17:30)

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