



FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

SYMPOSIUM COMETS 2016 *A new vision after Rosetta/Philae*

14 - 18 November 2016, Toulouse - France

An international conference on cometary science entitled "**Comets: A new vision after Rosetta/Philae**" will be held **November 14 - 18, 2016, at the Abattoirs Museum in Toulouse, France**. The conference is principally organized by the teams involved in the Rosetta mission, the **European Space Agency (ESA)**, the **French Space Agency (CNES)** and the **Institute of Research in Astrophysics and Planetology (IRAP)**.

A general **press conference** on the Rosetta mission will be organized at CNES on Monday morning. The **46th Rosetta Science Working Team technical session** will be held on Wednesday. A **convivial dinner** is scheduled on Tuesday night. **Optional mid-conference visits** will be organized on Wednesday and Thursday. Additional details about the program, will be included in the second and third announcements.

Purpose and Scope

The international conference "**Comets: A new vision after Rosetta/Philae**" is the latest in a series of international meetings intended to promote the exchange of knowledge and ideas among cometary scientists, with a view to integrate them in a comprehensive understanding of comets after the in-depth studies of Rosetta, Philae and other space missions and ground-based observations. In recognition of the broad scope, interdisciplinary nature, and strong international interest in this topic, we welcome the participation of any interested scientist with relevant theoretical, numerical, experimental, or observational experience. One goal of this meeting is **to generate a comprehensive global understanding of comets** that will serve as an important resource for future studies. Reports on the discussions of the conference will be published at a later time.

Please go to the following link to send us your indication of interest in the meeting and to receive updates from the SOC and LOC :

www.comets2016toulouse.com