

Dear Colleague:

The **1st International Workshop on Space Radiation Research** will be held on May 28-31, 2000, in Arona (Italy), in conjunction with the **11th Annual NASA Space Radiation Health Investigators' Workshop**. The workshop is co-organized by NASA, the Italian Space Agency (ASI), and the European Scientific Institute (ISE).

This meeting will cover ongoing and future research projects concerning biological effects of space radiation, risk estimates in long-term manned space missions, space radiation dosimetry, and biophysics of HZE particles. Synergism between space radiation and charged-particle cancer therapy studies, available accelerator facilities as well as projects for new facilities will be discussed. Further details can be found on the workshop's homepage:

<http://www.tera.it/ise/workshop2000/>

The meeting is open to scientists from all over the world interested in space radiation physics and biology. Investigators currently supported by the NASA Space Radiation Health Program are required to participate. Participants are expected to have their own travel support.

Registration, hotel reservation, and abstract submission can be performed on-line from the workshop's Web homepage indicated above. If you have no Internet connection, please contact the meeting secretariat for information:

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Deadline for abstract submission and early registration is January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2000. Proceedings of the conference will be published by the International Journal PHYSICA MEDICA as a special supplement. Instructions about submission of full papers will be circulated as soon as possible.

The workshop will include several keynote lectures, round tables, and special events. It should be a very informative and exciting meeting, taking place in a scenic and charming hamlet on Lake Maggiore, 65 km north of Milan. On behalf of NASA, ASI, ISE, and the entire Organizing and Scientific Committee, we look forward very much to seeing you in May.