

FIRST INFORMATION LETTER

Scientific conference of mixed type

"Planetary research and the search for life beyond the Earth"

October 23-26, 2023, Kyiv, Ukraine

Dear colleagues!

The Institute of Molecular Biology and Genetics of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (IMBG), the Main Astronomical Observatory of NASU (MAO), the UK Center for Astrobiology of the University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom, invite you to participate in the work of a mixed-type conference (offline and online), which will be held on October 23-26, 2023, in Kyiv, Ukraine. The co-organizers of the conference are the Space Research Council of NASU, the Ukrainian Astronomical Association and the Institute of Space Research of NASU.

The scientific work of the conference will include two directions:

- Planetary Research.
- Astrobiology.

Students/young scientists of higher education institutions will be involved in the conference in offline and online formats.

The opening of the conference will take place on October 23, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the conference hall of the IMBG.

On October 23-24, the "Astrobiology" section will be held (150, Akademika Zabolotny St.), and on October 25-26, the MAO (27, Akademika Zabolotny St.) will host the "Planetary Research" section, starting at 10 a.m.

The form of participation in the conference is an oral presentation of 10-20 minutes (offline or online). The Microsoft Teams program (free version) will be used to broadcast lectures online. The working language is English. The conference program will be announced in the next newsletter and on the IMBG website (<https://imbg.org.ua/uk/news/1776>).

We are waiting for abstracts of lectures that you send to the following contacts:

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Best regards,

Organizing Committee