

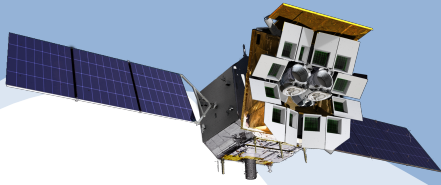


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## Einstein Probe Mission Call for Observing Proposals (Cycle-1)

Dear colleagues,

On behalf of the EP Science Management Committee (SMC), we are pleased to invite you to respond to the call for submitting observing proposals using the Follow-up X-ray Telescope (FXT) of the Einstein Probe (EP) mission in its first year of operations (Cycle-1).

EP is currently scheduled to be launched by the end of 2023. This announcement invites prospective EP users to propose targets to observe using FXT. Proposals are subject to peer review organized by each of the Parties (CAS, MPE, ESA and CNES) separately. The proposals approved by SMC will be considered for scheduling during the first observing year of EP, which is expected to begin approximately 6 months after launch.

This call is open to EP STP members and associate members, as well as non-STP members as EP Guest Observer (GO) program. Please note that in Cycle-1, GO is only open to users based mainly at Chinese institutions (including Hongkong, Macao and Taiwan). According to the EP science management policy, the EP observing time is reserved for the EP science team, except a limited amount of the CAS time that is made available for other users as GO (up to 0.2M seconds will be available for GO in this cycle).

All the Cycle-1 information can be found on the following EP Observing Proposal System (EOPS) website, including proposer's guidance, proposal-supporting documents, tools and access to the EP proposal submission interface.

EOPS website: [https://ep.bao.ac.cn/ep/proposal\\_submit/user\\_proposal\\_create\\_guide](https://ep.bao.ac.cn/ep/proposal_submit/user_proposal_create_guide)

Due Date: **Beijing (UTC+8): Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> 2023, 6:00 PM**

Looking forward to your proposals.

Yours sincerely,

EP Science Center