

OPENING ADDRESS

Greetings and welcome! It is my privilege and pleasure to address the opening remarks for the first issue of the EP Newsletter. With its successful launch, the Einstein Probe mission is drawing increasing attention from the time-domain and high-energy astrophysics communities in China and worldwide. Moreover, there are also growing interests from potential users of EP data to learn more about the instrument capability and performance, the science operations, announcements from the EP Science Centre, and, most of all, new scientific results made by EP observations in the future. We feel it is just the right time to release the EP Newsletter... [read more](#)



HIGHLIGHTS

Xinhua: China Launches New Satellite for Violent Cosmic Phenomena Observation

The satellite named Einstein Probe (EP), which uses new X-ray detection technology inspired by the functioning of a lobster eye, was launched by a Long March-2C carrier rocket at 3:03 p.m. (Jan. 9, Beijing Time) from the Xichang Satellite Launch Center in southwest China's Sichuan Province. [read more](#)

Xinhua: Chinese, European Scientists Join Hands to Explore Universe's mystery

The Einstein Probe (EP) is an international cooperative mission led by the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), involving the European Space Agency (ESA), the Max Planck Institute for Extraterrestrial Physics (MPE) in Germany and Centre National D'Etudes Spatiales (CNES), the French space agency. [read more](#)



EVENTS

EP Cycle-1 Call for observing Proposals Closed

On October 16, 2023, EP Science Center (EPSC) issued the Cycle-1 call for observing proposals. As of December 20, 2023, the Cycle-1 call has been concluded. A total of over one hundred proposals have been received from EP science team members and public guest observers. EP Science Management Committee (SMC) is organizing the review and selection of proposals. More details are currently being compiled and will be released later.

EP User-Supporting Tools Online

A selection of user support tools are now online, including WXT Online Simulator, FXT Online Simulator, EP Long-term Visibility Check Tool, EP Helpdesk, etc. Users, after login, can access these tools in the User Support Section on the [EP website](#).

INTERVIEWS

Working Together to Explore Transients in the X-ray Universe

--An Interview with Dr. Erik Kuulkers, ESA Project Scientist for Einstein Probe [read more](#)

