

## Swiss Commission on Space Research: Election of a CHIPP Observer

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## Introduction

On 14 October 2014, the president of the SCNAT Swiss Commission on Space Research (CSR), Werner Schmutz, contacted the CHIPP Chair to invite CHIPP to nominate a person who would serve as official link between CHIPP and the CSR. This CHIPP member would be invited to be present at the two annual meetings of the CSR and would make sure that information on items discussed in the CSR with relevance to CHIPP are passed on. If this person would not be an elected member of the CSR then he/she would be an invited guest with no voting rights. This is similar to the Observer status in CHIPP (Article 10 of the Statutes). The presence of a CHIPP observer in the CSR will strengthen the links between the two SCNAT members, which is in line with the CHIPP Statutes (Article 32.3 litt. g), where a close contact is advocated between CHIPP and the Swiss Academy of Natural Sciences and its member organisations.

The CHIPP Executive Board (EB), in its meeting EB 2014-07 on 27 October 2014, discussed the CSR request and suggested Xin Wu (Uni. of Geneva) as a good candidate to become the CHIPP observer in the CSR. Contacted by the CHIPP Chair, Xin Wu is ready to take this responsibility. In accordance with the CHIPP Statutes (Article 27, litt. e), the CHIPP EB decided after its meeting EB 2015-01 on 3 February 2015 to have this observer status officialised by the Board with an election for a renewable three-year mandate.

## Proposal

The Board (in conformity with Article 27, litt. e) is requested

- **to elect Xin Wu** as CHIPP observer in the Swiss Commission on Space Research for a renewable three-year mandate from March 2015 to December 2017.

Required majority: simple