IVOA Media Group Activities

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IVOA Media Group

Main areas of the group with the following people taking the lead in each area:

- IVOA Newsletter (Debbie Baines)
- Web Pages (Jamie Budynkiewicz)
- Social Media (Simon O'Toole)
- Outreach (Bruce Berriman)

IVOA Newsletter

- Call already out for contributions for the next newsletter, #19.
- Deadline 15th June 2018
- Send contributions to:
 - newsletter-editors@ivoa.net
- Short ~100 word articles highlighting any of the following:
 - new VO application or feature
 - software tutorials
 - outreach activities including workshops
 - upcoming events
 - All with a single small image

IVOA Web pages

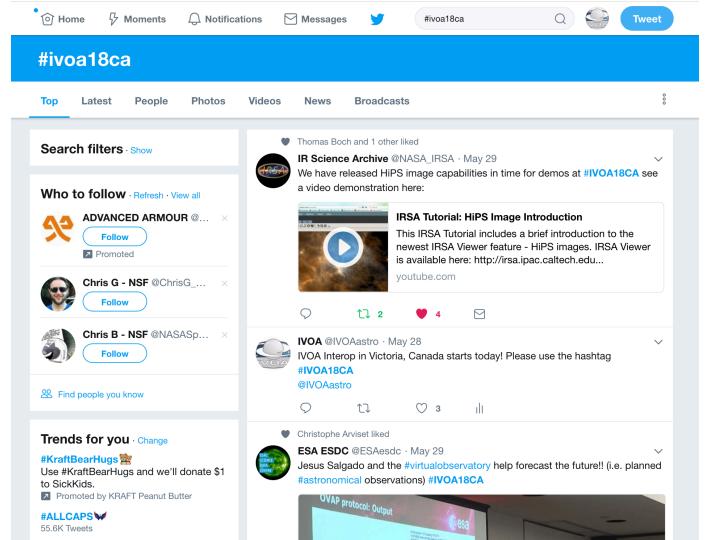
- Media Group working on a redesign of the web pages http://ivoa.net. Currently focusing on the home page.
- Aim: to make the home page simpler, easy to navigate and more understandable for astronomers and developers new to the VO.
- To include a VO portal (informative rather than application style portal).

Social Media

- Twitter account & Facebook group: @IVOAastro and the Chinese counterparts Weibo and WeChat.
- Procedure for social media posts sent to Exec.
- Contact us if want to tweet or have an article for social media: media@ivoa.net
- Ideas: Engagement with the community:
 - advertise a VO tool for a week with scheduled posts
 - Similarly catalog of the week posts
 - have guest tweets / facebook posts
 - More contact us!

Social Media

Hashtag agreed on Monday and posted on twitter



Outreach

Activities proposed by the Media Group (some should be in coordination with Edu IG):

- User stories from individual IVOA members on how science has been done using the VO and posting these on web pages / social media.
- VO announcements through professional society newsletters.
- Collect and disseminate info, best practices, use case examples, from community outreach workshops and tutorials.
- Produce handouts and other VO materials to give away at booths at scientific conferences.

Activities primarily aimed at undergraduate students:

- Develop slides and handouts to give to Summer internship programs that highlight VO-enabled tools and services. Ask institutions to add these slides to any Summer internship introductory presentations.
- Have someone at the AAS Undergraduate Fair to talk to students and hand them VO material (or any conference with undergraduate-focused events)

Discussions and actions

Monday meeting with Media Group & members of Exec & CSP:

- Web Pages: We have a draft version for a new home web layout. This was reviewed. Media Group will continue to work on the web home based on feedback from the meeting.
- IVOA Newsletter: continues as usual articles for 15th June 2018.
- Social Media presence: We've come up with list of things to post without Exec approval, and sent this to the Exec (for approval!). Hashtags of Interop meetings: #ivoa<year><country code>: #ivoa18ca
- Media Group Charter: Update has been sent to the Exec.
- Outreach: Booth at IAU Request from MA for IVOA handouts to be designed. Actions on the team to work on this asap.

- IVOA corporate visual document in draft.
- Example handouts for IAU (can be reused for any conferences / workshops / schools):



Backside title for handout

Single column area. Goes all the way across. There's a 0.25 in (6.35mm) margin on all sides of the writing area. The text should be <u>justified</u>. You can mix-match columns on one page, so long as you follow the IVOA Corporate Design; in short, you can have a single column, then a two-column (same width) section, followed by another single-column, full width section. The main body font should be "Tex Gyre Heros." at size __11pt__.

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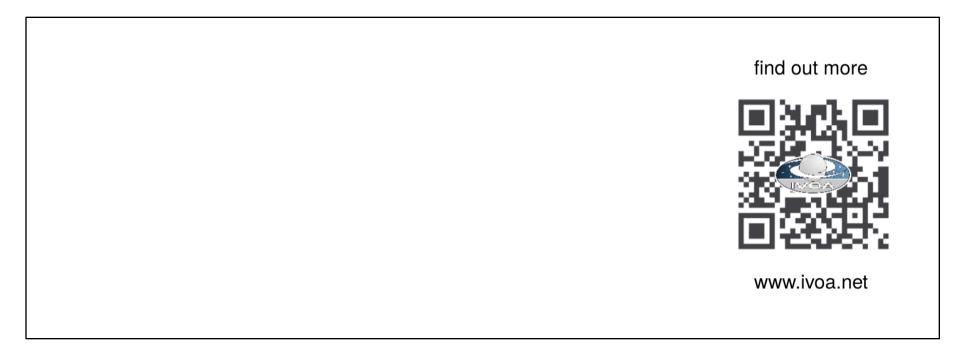




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Summary

Where you can help:

- Newsletter articles
- Your own social media posts spread the message about the VO and IVOA! @IVOAastro
- Contact us with any ideas, social media posts from the IVOA accounts, etc: media@ivoa.net
- New members welcome!!!