

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that the 18th Joint Workshop on Electron Cyclotron Emission and Electron Cyclotron Resonance Heating (EC-18) will be held at Nara, JAPAN from April 22 to 25, 2014.

The Joint workshop on ECE and ECRH is a biannual meeting. The workshop covers the four broad areas: Electron cyclotron theory, electron cyclotron emission, electron cyclotron heating and current drive, and electron cyclotron technology. The most recent meetings have been held in Deurne (Netherland, 2012), Sanya (China, 2010), Yosemite (USA 2008), Santorini (Greece, 2006) and Nizhny Novgorod (Russia, 2004). The first meeting was held in 1979 at Colledge Park (USA).

Nara is an old capital of Japan established in early 8th century and is rich of historic monuments registered as world cultural heritage. Additional information on the workshop will be available on the website at

<http://ec18.nifs.ac.jp>

and will be continuously updated.

Proposals for invited presentations containing a motivation with a brief description of the topic and the proposed speaker can be addressed by e-mail to the chair of the scientific programme committee (E.Westerhof@diffen.nl). Deadline for proposal of invited speakers is 30 November 2013

We are looking forward to seeing all of you at Nara next year.

With best regards,

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