

# The LSST:UK Junior Associates Network

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of the JAN Organising Committee

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# What is the JAN?

- A network for JAs, by JAs.
- A place to organise things that can be organised in a centralised way.
- Representation of the body of UK JAs to leadership in LSST:UK and Rubin.
- Community, for those who may be working alone in their departments.
- Connection for all (mostly JAs, but not necessarily only JAs) working, in the UK, on Rubin, LSST, and LSST:UK science.
- ~70/290 JAs in the JAN; highest membership from Oxford (8), Edinburgh (8), & So'ton (6).

# Organisational Structure

- JAN Executive Committee
  - Co-chairs (Tom Wilson & Clara Pennock, pro tem, elections open), who also sit on the LSST:UK Executive Committee.
  - LSST:UK Consortium Board Representatives (two positions available, elections open).
  - Both roles are for 18-month terms, alternately elected every nine months.
  - Nominations (self or not-self) can be made at [this](#) form (or using the QR code), until May 15th.
- JAN Organising Committee
  - Non-elected positions, basically an as-formal-as-needed role to codify everyone who is helping to run the JAN, doing day-to-day tasks to keep the JAN running smoothly.
  - Currently Andrés Ponte Pérez, Andy Wilson, Garreth Martin, Jamie Robinson, Matthew Temple, and Tom Cornish.

Nominations for LSST:UK Junior  
Associates Network Chair,  
LSST:UK Exec and Board



# LSST:UK JAN Communications

- LSST:UK JAN Slack space
  - jan-general & jan-random for the moment, but engagement will drive more channels as and when they are needed or desired. jan-support channel too, as we look to DP2 and DR1.
  - Friday Hangouts, 9.30-10.30am, in jan-random — see what people are up to with LSST data, ask for help or advice, or just say hi!
  - Important updates will be sent out over Slack
  - For access to the Slack space contact [james.robinson@ed.ac.uk](mailto:james.robinson@ed.ac.uk)
- LSST:UK JAN mailing list
  - Email version of catch-all notifications and updates
  - For access follow the instructions on the [wiki](#) (or use the QR code).
- LSST:UK Newsletter
  - Monthly summary of the goings on in Rubin and LSST, including JAN activities.
  - If you have something you think should be featured in the newsletter, contact [t.cornish@imperial.ac.uk](mailto:t.cornish@imperial.ac.uk).



# LSST:UK JAN Meetings

- Telecons
  - Planned ~monthly tag-ups and guest talks.
- Workshops
  - Targeted courses, training, or hackathons.
  - E.g. the recent comms training run by Eleanor O’Kane.
- What training or meetings or get-togethers would you like to see?
  - Use of alert streams, RSP access, science collaboration-focussed sessions, etc.
- Volunteers needed to run courses, organise telecons, or arrange speakers
  - PIs as well as JAs!

# Important Dates

- Elections for JANECEC
  - Newly formed, both chair and board rep positions are available.
  - Every nine months after that, nominations then elections.
- Data Rights
  - Process by which access to LSST data is granted.
  - Two calls per year, in the spring and autumn.
  - Next call is open now, with all applications made by May 19th reviewed in May.
  - Can be requested pre-hoc — PIs can ensure JAs have rights before starting.
- Meetings
  - National Astronomy Meeting (July), Rubin Community Workshop (July/August), LSST@Europe (September/October).

# Questions!

- What do you want the JAN to be?
- What does it not do that you think it should do?
- Can *you* help it to do these things?
- How can the JAN best help you to do your science?
- Are you in an LSST Science Collaboration?

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