

## **IGrav Science Festivals** working group meeting

Friday, Sept 16, 2022 at **1400-1530 BST** (6am Pacific US/9am Eastern US)

Zoom link:

<https://widener.zoom.us/j/91761617936?pwd=emZ3c1JMazhQUUZkRkNPaTk5NnF0Zz09>

[Agenda and notes](#) from February 2022 WG meeting

**Join WG email lists:** <https://lists.igrav.org/>

Attendance:

Paul Baker, Widener University (chair, [ptbaker@widener.edu](mailto:ptbaker@widener.edu))

Rodrigo Tenorio (minute taker), Livia Conti, Elisa Maggio, Alice Bonino, ...

Agenda:

1. Deputize an in person attendee as co-host, find minute taker
2. Introductions
  - a. Who are you?
  - b. Have you been to a science festival? Worked a GW booth at a science festival?
  - c. Is there an upcoming festival you are attending?
3. What are the current WG projects?
  - a. Collect resources for science festivals
    - i. add resources to the [IGrav Science Festivals WG](#) folder
    - ii. [New GWA banners used at Oman Science Festival](#)
  - b. Generate an IGrav background for slides and events  
**[need IGrav logo]**
  - c. Brainstorm and create new materials
  - d. Translate existing materials into other languages  
**[volunteer translators needed]**
4. Let's translate something!
  - a. pick the thing:
    - i. [LISA bookmarks](#)
    - ii. [GWs for kids with Ogil](#)
  - b. get volunteers and translate
  - c. get original source image files to edit
5. Need Sci Fest WG member to join IGrav website team **[volunteer needed]**
6. Schedule working group meeting for 2023 (online)

## Long term projects and goals

- find funding opportunities, grants, sponsorships
- get more participation from other collaborations:
  - Einstein telescope
  - CMB polarization
- officially participate as IGrav a science festival
- host an IGrav festival
- contribute to IGrav course on GW science and communication
- What are Science festivals doing to improve accessibility and inclusion at festivals?

## Minutes IGrav Science Festivals Sep 16 2022

Minute taker: Rodrigo Tenorio

Introduction of attendees.

- Livia Conti:

Overlap with DEI group to gather attendance info from science fest organizers to assess what collectives are attending them.

Summary of previous projects.

1. Collecting resources for science festivals.

There is a google drive where those resources live.

Banners and so collected by Marting Hendry there as well.

All contributions welcome, either drop them on the folder or tell Paul / Joey.

2. Translation of existing material to other languages.

Proposal to translate something right now:

- LIGO Science for Kids.

- LISA Bookmarks.

Idea postponed to offline time, but feel free to translate whatever you think you would need or want to use.

Livia: Can we modify images?

Paul: Idea is to only change the text.

Livia: Translating the resources of a collaboration should be that collaboration's job.

Paul: Collaborations may not have workforce for that, but falls within IGrav's scope.

Elisa Maggio: LSC logo + NASA + ESA logos --> We should reach to them, check if we can translate

and possibly add an IGrav logo after translation.

Paul: Aurora's image (the author) is ok, we checked. NASA is public domain.

Elisa: Once we get this material translated, we should advertise it in order for people to know about them and use them.

Paul: Need volunteer to join the IGrav Website team from this SciFest.  
No volunteer.

Alice Bonino: What would be that volunteer's job?

Paul: They want to make sure every group is represented. Don't know specifics.  
If you are in web design, it's probably a good time to join.

Livia: DEI working group request: Investigate whether there are any best practices and assessment strategies to make sure minorities are properly addressed.

Paul: Leaving.

Actions:

- Elisa Maggio:

Translate documents into Italian.  
May get someone to translate into German.

- Paul Baker:

If anyone wants other images to be translated,  
Paul can follow up and locate who should be contacted  
to get that image translated properly.