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Dear Colleague,

You are herewith respectfully invited by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences to nominate candidate(s) for

### The Crafoord Prize in Astronomy 2016

The Crafoord Prize will be awarded to a scientist/scientists who has/have made outstanding scientific achievements in astronomy. Since 2012 there are two separate prizes in mathematics and astronomy awarded at the same time, each with a prize sum of SEK 6 million. The prize should preferably be awarded to one recipient, but may be divided among up to three recipients.

More information regarding the Crafoord Prize can be found in the enclosed leaflet "The Crafoord Prize 1982-2014" and on the Crafoord Prize website [www.crafoordprize.se](http://www.crafoordprize.se).

Nominations will be treated confidentially and must reach the Academy no later than January 14, 2015. Nominations for the Crafoord Prize in Astronomy will be handled by a Prize Committee which reports to the Class for astronomy and space science. The final decision on the 2016 Crafoord laureate/s will be made by the Academy in January 2016. The prize awarding ceremony will take place in Stockholm in May 2016.

For each candidate proposed, the following information is mandatory: the candidate's current position and address, and a succinct description of the breakthrough/specific achievements that prompted the nomination. Please provide relevant information about the candidate's research career (obtained without contact with the candidate). Enclosures of a maximum of five pages per candidate may be added, but are not mandatory.

In order to be considered, the nomination must be made on the form enclosed. Nominations have to be signed by individuals, not on behalf of associations or the like. Further questions can be directed to the Crafoord Prize Secretary, Elin Jansson at phone: +46 8 673 97 40 or e-mail [elin.jansson@kva.se](mailto:elin.jansson@kva.se).

Yours sincerely,

Staffan Normark  
Permanent Secretary

**Enclosures:** Nomination form  
Leaflet - The Crafoord Prize 1982–2014

**Nomination for the Crafoord Prize in Astronomy 2016**

Nominations must reach the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, Attention: the Crafoord Prize Secretary, Box 50005, SE-104 05 Stockholm, Sweden at the **latest 14 January, 2015**. For an electronic version of the form, please go to [www.crafoordprize.se/nominationastro](http://www.crafoordprize.se/nominationastro) (username: cpa2016, login: Vvhm100n). Please note that your nomination **must be signed and sent by regular mail (no e-mails accepted)**. Nominators must not reveal the names of nominees or inform nominees privately of their proposals (neither before nor after the nomination period).

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| <b>Candidate(s)</b><br><br>The prize should preferably be awarded to one recipient, but may be divided among up to three recipients. | <b>Name:</b>                        |                    |                       |
|  | Academic position or title:         |                    | E-mail:               |
|  | Mailing address:                    |                    |                       |
|  | <b>Name:</b>                        |                    |                       |
|  | Academic position or title:         |                    | E-mail:               |
|  | Mailing address:                    |                    |                       |
|  | <b>Name:</b>                        |                    |                       |
|  | Academic position or title:         |                    | E-mail:               |
|  | Mailing address:                    |                    |                       |
| <b>The candidate(s) is/are nominated for (short description):</b>  |                                     |                    |                       |
| <b>Description</b><br>(Smallest font size accepted is 10 pt.)  |                                     |                    |                       |
| <b>Signature</b>   | <b>Name (please print or type):</b> |                    |                       |
|  | Academic position or title:         |                    | E-mail:               |
|  | Mailing address:                    |                    |                       |
|  | Signature:                          | Date (yyyy-mm-dd): | Number of enclosures: |

