



PRESS RELEASE

ASTRONOMY WORKSHOP

The International Astronomical Union (IAU)
Office for Astronomy Development (OAD), Task Force 1,
Summer School & Workshop in Ghana

TO BE HELD AT GHANA PLANETARIUM FROM 12th-16th AUGUST 2013

An astronomy workshop will be held at the Planetarium in Accra for University Lecturers, University Students and Teachers from all over Ghana.

The goal of the workshop is to bring together International Astronomy Educators, Lecturers, Students and Teachers to promote and encourage the higher level study of Astronomy and make a contribution to taking it forward as part of the region's development in science and technology.

In addition to inspiring interest in the subject and offering examples on how to teach astronomy, the workshop will increase awareness of possible routes into higher studies and career paths.

Importance of the workshop:

Because Astronomy combines Science and Technology with inspiration and excitement, it can play a unique role in facilitating education and capacity building and in furthering sustainable development.

Astronomy helps in the development of education in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) leading on to Space Science.