

Final statement on the process to have a meeting for the Italian Stellar Astrophysics / Galactic Astronomy / Stellar populations community with regular cadence and on the organization of next such meeting (2025)

by the SOC of STARS 2023 – STARS (Across the Universe)

1. How to establish STARS as a national meeting

During the final discussion at the [STARS-2023 meeting](#), in Naples, on Friday October 20, 2023, we proposed a simple process to have a national meeting on stellar populations, stellar astrophysics and Galactic astronomy as a regular appointment for the community, possibly with biennial cadence. There was no objection to this proposal so we consider it as approved (see also e-mail message to the participants sent on November 8, 2023).

The process is the following:

- (a) the SOC of the n th meeting serves as steering committee (SC) for the $(n+1)$ th meeting,
- (b) at the end of the n th meeting the SC collects from the community proposals to organise the $(n+1)$ th meeting, and selects one of the proposing teams,
- (c) the selected team has the responsibility of all the aspects of the $(n+1)$ th meeting (location, funding, SOC, LOC, etc.),
- (d) the meeting should be organised promoting a wide participation (especially by young scientists) and broad representativeness and balance (e.g., in the SOC) by sub-field, geographic area, gender etc.

It is proposed that the series of meetings is always called STARS (year or number)+ a subtitle chosen by the SOC in charge. The ideal cadence would be biennial.

2. Designation of proposing team for the 2025 edition of the STARS meeting

Following the indications above, on November 8 we assumed the role of Steering Committee for STARS-2025 and we sent an e-mail message to all the participants with a call for proposals to organize the next edition of Stars, with deadline on November 18, 2023.

We received only one proposal, by A. Mucciarelli (Uni Bo), D. Massari (INAF-OAS Bo) and Raffaele Pascale (INAF-OAS Bo) who intend to organize STARS-2025 in Bologna. Several infrastructures to host the meeting are available.

Given all the above

- (a) We assign the charge of organizing STARS-2025 in Bologna to A. Mucciarelli, D. Massari and Raffaele Pascale.
- (b) As SC we will monitor the schedule of the organization.

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