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COSPAR 2021 Virtual Day Two Morning News

We've taken the feedback from the last session as well as looked at the most Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) you have presented to us and wanted to take the opportunity to update you on the below:

Saturday AM amendments

- We have published for you an easy at a glance for Saturday Sessions that contain live Q&A with chat and those that have live chat only functionality.

Most Popular FAQs

Here are some of the team responses to the questions to assist you, specifically with our responses. This will be updated as we move forward but we remind you that Help Desk is where you ask any questions and Networking is for meeting each other.

#1 Question – What do I do if I have a Pop-Up Blocker?

#1 Answer - On the Platform, if the Chat function is not working it is probably because you have Pop up blockers. Here are the instructions to fix this:

- Please ensure you have the popup blocker disabled on your browser.
- <https://blog.getadblock.com/how-to-disable-pop-up-blockers-in-every-browser-a1cccbae53e7>
- We recommend using google chrome for a better viewing experience as our platform works best in those browsers.
- At the top right, click More Settings.
- Under "Privacy and security," click Site settings.
- Click Pop-ups and redirects.
- At the top, turn the setting to Allowed or Blocked.

#2 Question – Where can I find the Full Program?

#2 Answer – The Full Program can be found in the provided link. <http://www.cospar2021.org/program> The attached list has the session and speakers listed in full for Saturday (that have provided short summaries).

#3 Question – Will there be a technician in my session?

#3 Answer – Yes, for all live sessions there will be a technician available. Please ensure each speaker and Chair is available. If you're presenting or chairing, it's important you attend your technical session one-hour before your scheduled session start time. Please ask your technician what is possible using the Platform including sharing slides during the Q&A.

#4 Question – Will there be a technician in my session if it's moderated Q&A via the Chat box?

#4 Answer – There are no technicians allocated to your session, but the expectation is that the Chair will ask a question to start off the session. Remember this is still live but via the chat box functionality.

#5 Question – What happens if nothing is happening in the session that is live?

#5 Answer – The Pre-Records have likely finished and there were no questions. You can watch the on-demand video when it becomes available or catch another session if there are still people and sessions. Remember, each session runs back-to-back at 8am-8.45am (AEDT)

followed by 8.45am-9.30am (AEDT). All speakers are expected to be in the session when the pre-recorded material has shown. The moderator can use the chat function to keep people in the session and needs to approve the questions before they are made visible.

A reminder to Chairs

- The Platform access looks different for you and all you have to do is enter as per the log-in.
- Attend the technical session (if it's live), scheduled one hour before and reach out to your speakers (all sessions) in advance to ensure they will participate.

A general reminder

- The Platform is the access point for the short summaries, live Q&A and networking. Imagine it being like the Convention Centre. But at your fingertips of course.
- The App is the place you search for Posters, Full Presentations and Abstracts. It's an online tool for accessing the Program for you.
- The App link and Portal link have been sent to you already.

You can still update your Full Length Video/Poster/YouTube Link for the App –Send us your Full name/ ID. # and e-mail address if you've missed the earlier deadlines.

We appreciate that this is a new world of content-sharing for you and hope you enjoy the experience!

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Stats and Facts

Here are some stats that you might find interesting from Day One

- 900 attendees saw the IDL Presentation - Climate Change, the Ocean, the Cryosphere and Regional Sea-level Change by John Church
- 1,620 people visited and viewed the networking lounge
- Most attendees were naturally in the scientific sessions 1,682. This is great to see!
- Top three Presentations for the day (average overall by attendees)
- B0.4 Technologies for Planetary Research
- B0.1 Unifying planetary system formation out of elementary building blocks
- E1.16 Origin of Cosmic Rays



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