## Monthly Newsletter for the Department of Astronomy and Theoretical Physics, January 2012

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## **Staff News**

Visitors: 18-25 William Lucas (St Andrews) visiting Melvyn B. Davies

## **Absences/Trips by Staff of the Department**

27/12-7 Thomas Bensby on Paranal for first observations of Gaia-ESO Survey

- 2-7 Johan Bijnens attends Spaatind 2012, the 22nd Nordic Particle Physics Meeting and gives a talk
- 11 Dainis Dravins visits Onsala Space Observatory, gives a seminar
- 12-13 Nils Ryde on a working visit to Aarhus
- 13 Dainis Dravins attends a meeting on the Cherenkov Telescope Array, Stockholm
- 13 Melvyn B. Davies in Stockholm (VR RFI)
- 16-20 Berry Holl in The Netherlands visiting ESTEC for job interview
- 19-20 Lennart Lindegren attends a Gaia Science Team meeting at ESTEC (NL)
- 19-20 Anders Johansen on luPOD retreat
- 20- Dainis Dravins leaves for a research period at ESO in Santiago de Chile
- 23-27 Cheng Liu, Chiara Batistini, and Sofia Feltzing attend the GREAT School on the Science and Techniques of Gaia in Leiden
- 30-2/2 Melvyn B. Davies visiting Heidelberg to give colloquium
- 30-3/2 Cheng Liu attends the GREAT-ITN management school at ESTEC

## Important Dates, Events, and Information

Astronomy seminars every Thursday at 14.15 (http://www.astro.lu.se/Seminars/)

- 11 David Hobbs' Docent Lecture (Lundmarksalen) at 10.30: "Using type 1a supernovae as cosmological probes"
- 18 Board meeting (agenda will be available on the prefekt-wiki)
- 19 The new faculty leadership visits the department