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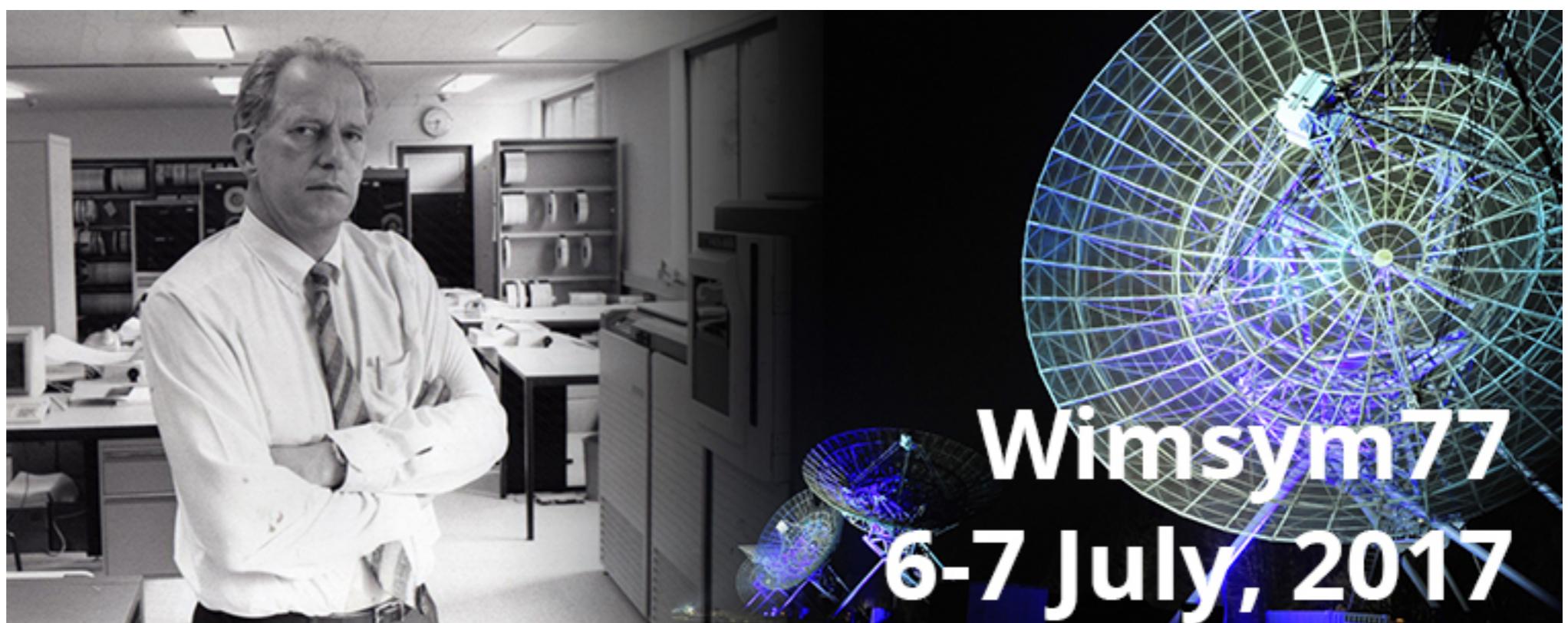
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**6-7 July, 2017**

## Preliminary Programme

<b>Thursday 6 July 2017</b>		
13:30	Carole Jackson	<i>Welcome and Introduction</i>
13:45	<b><i>Linking the past and the future</i></b>	<i>Chair: Marco de Vos</i>
	Hugo van Woerden	Setting the scene
	Rudolf Le Poole	The early days of the WSRT
	Michiel Brentjens	The polarized sky: 1957-2017
	Brian Glendenning	Wim, NRAO, AIPS++
	Oleg Smirnov	The Measurement Equation, AIPS++
	Tony Willis	Wim and me
15:30	tea / coffee	
16:00	<b><i>Leadership at work</i></b>	<i>Chair: Marco de Vos</i>
	Harry van der Laan	SRZM, NFRA and ASTRON (incl UK-NL)
	Reinder van Duinen	ASTRON & NWO
	Peter Tindemans	OCW, ESO council
	Huib-Jan van Langevelde	From VLBI to JIVE to ERIC
	Thijs van der Hulst	ASTRON and the Universities (incl. Roden/KSW and RuG)
	Marco de Vos	ASTRON, LOFAR, DOME, ....
18:30	<b><i>Drinks and dinner/barbeque around the 25-m telescope</i></b>	
		After-dinner speaker: Jaap Baars

<b>Friday 7 July 2017</b>		
09:00	<b><i>WSRT: Science and Technology</i></b>	<i>Chair: Jan Noordam</i>
	Ger de Bruyn	WENSS and NEWSTAR
	John O'Sullivan (remote)	WSRT backends
	Renzo Sancisi	The Dark Matter saga: the decisive role of the WSRT
	Rogier Windhorst	Deep radio surveys with the WSRT

10:00	<b>Astrometry: on the ground and in space</b>	
	Hans vd Marel (remote)	WSRT as a geodetic centre
	Frits Brouwer	Geodesy and VLBI
	Anthony Brown	(Hipparcos and) Gaia
10:45	tea / coffee	
11:15	<b>Towards the SKA</b>	<i>Chair: Arnold van Ardenne</i>
	Ron Ekers/Bob Frater (remote)	Some personal reminiscences
	Ray Norris (remote)	Wim's ATNF years
	Richard Schilizzi	Key decisions in the history of the SKA
	Stefan Wijnholds	Calibrating SKA1: lessons from WSRT and LOFAR
	Richard Strom	FAST
	Neil Killeen (remote)	Managing Wim
	Wim Brouw	Closing Remarks
13:00	lunch	

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**Contact:** If you have any additional questions please send [an email](#) to Truus van den Brink-Havinga.