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Re: Winter School in Germany: AEI

Dear DAAD committee,

This is to acknowledge our support of the effort of Prof. Jaime E. Forero-Romero to organise a winter school in Germany from 4.1.2015 until 16.01.2015. For the visit of the students he will bring, I will book a room to attend two lectures given by me and a senior postdoc of my group, Alberto Sesana, on sources of gravitational wave radiation. Moreover, Dr. Elke Müller, in charge of outreach, has kindly agreed to talk to them about the possibilities for graduate studies at AEI.

She will organise a tour of all the facilities, like our supercomputer cluster. Both, the talks and the tour, will be in English. Once the trip is confirmed, we will coordinate some short projects for the students to work on during their visit.

A tentative schedule for the visit to the AEI is: Scientific talks given by me and Dr. Sesana, followed by the talk about future prospects at the AEI by Dr. Müller. Later, on the same day, she will lead a guided tour to our facilities, including the supercomputers, library and maybe a short meeting with the director of the institute, if his agenda allows for it. On the same day, after lunch and until approximately 17h00, they will work with tutors. That work will be continued on Thursday and Friday late afternoon-evening.

We hope that this will allow new links to astrophysicists in Colombia, and we trust that Prof. Forero will pick up the best students to attend this opportunity.

With kind regards, Pau Amaro-Seoane