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**Recommendation on the Science Management Plan of Gaia**

The draft of the Science Management Plan of Gaia was presented to the Astronomy Working Group (AWG) at its 125<sup>th</sup> meeting held at ESTEC on 6-7 April 2006.

The AWG recommends approval of the SMP, with the following minor modifications:

- Page 6, paragraph 2, insert a sentence specifying that the head of the Research and Scientific Support Department delegates the scientific responsibility of the data processing to the Gaia Project Scientist.
- Provide a better description of the science data products of the mission that will be offered to the community.