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To: SPC, SSAC, Working Groups and Scientific Community

Subject: **PROBA 3 Coronagraph Announcement of Opportunity**

Dear Colleague,

I am pleased to invite you to respond to the "Announcement of Opportunity" to submit proposals for the provision of the coronagraph to be flown on the PROBA 3 mission.

PROBA 3 is a mission to demonstrate new technologies from the ESA Directorate of Technical and Quality Management at ESTEC. It is the 3rd mission of the PROBA (Project for Onboard Autonomy) line.

The details regarding the PROBA 3 mission as well as the model coronagraph can be found in the Announcement of Opportunity.

The Announcement of Opportunity will **close on 30 August 2009**. Proposals for the provision of the PROBA 3 coronagraph must be prepared in accordance with the information provided at:

http://sci.esa.int/proba_3_AO

and must be submitted electronically, in hardcopy and CDroms to ESA with a copy to the relevant funding institution.

I would appreciate if you would circulate this Announcement to interested colleagues within your institute,

Yours faithfully,

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