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**To SPC, Advisory Structure  
and Scientific Community**

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**Subject: Joint Call for a mission from ESA and the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS)**

Dear Colleague,

I am happy to announce that the " Joint Call for a mission from ESA and the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS)" is being released today, soliciting proposals for satellite missions to be jointly implemented by ESA and CAS. As detailed in the actual Call, proposals are solicited covering any science topic for a joint implementation by ESA and CAS, with a planned launch readiness in 2021. The deadline for the submissions of proposals is March 16, 2015, at 12:00 (noon) Central European Time.

The Call and the annex technical documentation are available at <http://sci.esa.int/2015-esa-cas-joint-call> where an interface for the proposal submission is also available.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alvaro Gimenez', written over a light blue horizontal line.

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