# Welcome to 7th Int'l Planetary School and



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### In order to make the school fruitful, valuable, and successful, ...

# interaction between students and lecturers is required

in addition to the excellent lectures.

I will expect active interaction!



# Enjoy the school and your stay in Kobe!



#### **Brief introduction to**

# Center for Planetary Science (CPS) @ Kobe University

founded in April 2007



#### Mission of CPS:

to provide a place or opportunities to promote research and education activities in Planetary Sciences such as workshops, symposiums, conferences, and schools like this PS beyond frame of univs.



## "Beyond frame of Univs" is essential to CPS.

CPS is fighting against many kinds of frames binding univs, narrow-minded nationalism between univs, conservative thoughts of scientists, etc.

### CPS aims to be an institute like

Newton Inst. (Cambridge, UK),

Int'l Space Sci. Inst. (Bern, Swiss),

**Kavli ITP** (UCSB, USA) or ....



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\* COE: Center of Excellence

CPS is now looking for a source of funds for 2014 on. If you know rich persons, let me know, please!

End of Introduction to CPS



# Happy New Year 2011! and Enjoy the planetary school!