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for October 2016 ASAC Meeting

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face-to-face meeting

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The ASAC shall discuss and report on permanent and ad hoc charges from the Board and the ALMA Director.

The Permanent Charges are

- 1. Assessment of the performance of ALMA scientific capabilities: The ASAC shall indicate what information is required from the Joint ALMA Observatory (JAO) to perform this assessment.*
- 2. Assessment of the technical aspects of the ALMA system performance: The ASAC shall indicate what information is required from the JAO to perform this assessment.*
- 3. Assessment of the science outcomes from ALMA: Statistics on publications, citations, press releases, web sites, etc. collected by the Executives shall be collated by the JAO, and analyzed by the ASAC.*
- 4. Recommendation of ways to maximize ALMA's scientific impact: This includes review of the scientific effectiveness of the Proposal Review Process after each Proposal cycle.*
- 5. Reporting on operational or scientific issues raised by the wider community as communicated by the three regional Science Advisory Committees (ANASAC, ESAC and EASAC).*
- 6. Assessment of the scientific impacts of the ALMA Development Program, and particularly of new projects that are proposed.*

The two ad-hoc Charges for this meeting are

- 7. Review and comment on the Development Vision and Roadmap. Is the vision evolving in a way that is consistent with the ALMA2030 document?*
- 8. Suggest specific improvements in the information given to proposers about their proposals after the review and later via project tracker.*