Dear colleagues,

the NASA study for future missions to Uranus and Neptune, to which Adam Masters and I participated as ESA-appointed representatives for the interested European scientific community, reached its conclusion this week with the publication of its final report on the study (http://www.lpi.usra.edu/icegiants/mission\_study).

In the report

(http://www.lpi.usra.edu/icegiants/mission\_study/Full-Report.pdf) you will find both a detailed discussion of the scientific goals and technological challenges of the exploration of the ice giants and a comparative analysis of a number of mission scenarios, including scenarios based on international collaborations. For those of you mainly interested in the overall outcomes of the study, the concise executive summary is also available separately (http://www.lpi.usra.edu/icegiants/mission\_study/Exec-Summary.pdf).

We take advantage of this announcement to thank you all once again for the support and feedback you provided in the past months, a clear sign of the interest for this kind of missions in Europe.

Best regards,

Diego and Adam

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