API100 conference - brief report (Ralph Wijers)

The meeting had 60 registered participants, and on the last day we were joined by another about 15 colleagues and emeriti from the NOVA institutes. The participant list and the program can be found on the API website (<u>www.api.uva.nl</u>, under the tab 'API100'). Conference attendees originated from all over the world, and mostly were people with old ties to API; the conference was held in the Oudemanhuispoort, in the attic of which is the original home of API.

The first day was themed around massive stars and exoplanets, featuring talks on massive star evolution and formation, and on exoplanets and protoplanetary discs. On the second day we discussed high-energy objects and dense matter, both from theoretical and observational viewpoints. On both days, the afternoon was spent with some short talks but largely in splinter groups where a workshop setting was created to deal with ongoing projects and old and new collaborations. The Friday morning was spent on short talks and splinter sessions on some further high-energy topics. The afternoon was more festive and gave an overview of the history of API and its observatory, and an overview of current API research. We ended, of course, with a borrel.

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