

Break Out Sessions

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Format of Sessions

- Three main topics
 - Science/ Surveys
 - Surveys/ Data Processing/ VO+Data Access
 - Simulations
- Two 1.5 hours sessions
 - Thurs: 09.00-10.30 & 11.00-12.00
- Reporting Back & Next Steps
 - Thurs: 14.00-15.30

Session Aims: Exchange of Ideas

- Science
 - Key challenges in the Local Group/ Milky Way
 - Areas of common interest
 - Example projects: Galactic Plane, Streams, Dwarf Gals, M31
- Surveys
 - Current UK surveys: UKIDSS, VISTA, ESO
 - Current China surveys: LAMOST, SDSS
 - Survey management and planning challenges
- Data Processing
 - Data volumes and challenges
 - Pipelines for optical, spectroscopic data
 - Use of Virtual Observatories for data access

Reporting Back

- Each group:
 - Identify a note taker
 - Prepare some slides summarising session discussion
- Reporting back session
 - Presentation of breakout group
 - Discussion in plenary
- Key linkages
 - Science – Surveys – Processing
- Ideas for future collaboration