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## Calendar of Upcoming IPY Events

Education, Outreach, and Communication Subcommittee Meeting  
Bremerhaven, Germany  
19 – 21 October, 2006

American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting  
San Francisco, USA  
11 - 15 December, 2006  
[www.agu.org/meetings/fm06](http://www.agu.org/meetings/fm06)

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- 1. IPY Congressional Hearing:** Dr. Robin Bell, chair of the USNC for IPY, testified before the U.S. Congress two times this fall:

(1) September 20, 2006: U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Research. To listen to the archived webcast, read the remarks from the witnesses, and read the press release, go to <http://www.house.gov/science/hearings/research06/IPY/index.htm>.

(2) September 26, 2006: U.S. Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee and U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee (joint session). To listen to the archived webcast, read the remarks from the witnesses, and read the statement from one of the Members, go to [http://commerce.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=Hearings.Hearing&Hearing\\_ID=1802](http://commerce.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=Hearings.Hearing&Hearing_ID=1802).

- 2. Register Your IPY Launch Event:** Camilla Hansen from the IPY International Programme Office is the IPY launch-event point of contact (email: [camilla.hansen@vr.se](mailto:camilla.hansen@vr.se)). Please send her your plans, however tentative, so that all launch events around the globe can be coordinated and therefore attract international media attention.
- 3. IPY Joint Committee Meeting Wrap-Up, Svalbard, September 2006:** Details to come in the next edition of this newsgram.

*There are many websites with information about IPY, but four of the most useful are:*

[www.us-ipy.gov](http://www.us-ipy.gov)  
[www.us-ipy.org](http://www.us-ipy.org)  
[www.ipy.org](http://www.ipy.org)  
[www.ipyeaso.aari.ru](http://www.ipyeaso.aari.ru)

- 4. NSF Announces Award Recipients for IPY Education and Outreach:** NSF [press release](#) from September 20, 2006, "International Polar Year Funds Research and Exploration by Teachers, Students and the Public: NSF awards nine grants for IPY education activities".
- 5. New Eurasian Sub-Office for IPY:** A Eurasian Sub-Office for IPY has been opened at the Arctic and Antarctic Research Institute of Roshydromet (AARI) in St. Petersburg, Russia. The purpose of the office is to support the planning and implementation of IPY-projects in the Eurasian Arctic including the Russian area in full co-operation with IPY IPO. The office has established an excellent website: [www.ipyeaso.aari.ru](http://www.ipyeaso.aari.ru). In addition to other resources, the web-portal provides detailed descriptions of available infrastructure, maps of IPY activities, and other resources. The office is supported by Russian and foreign agencies and institutions (including AARI, NPI, AWI, NSF/OPP, SPRS) until one year past the conclusion of IPY.