

# LECS:LISA Early Career Scientists Group



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# LISA Early Career Scientists (LECS) group

The LECS group started more than 4 years ago.

It is open to LISA Consortium members who consider themselves *early career* or want to support early career scientists.

Over the years, it has received **support** and everybody has been excited about helping/volunteering for LECS activities.

Currently, the group has **290 members**.  
This number is growing day by day!



@Max Planck Institute for Gravitational Physics  
by Cheng Foo & Nihar Gupte

# Scope of the group



**Discuss needs and values** shared by younger generations



**Support career development,** job and grant opportunities



**Foster collaboration** and facilitate exchange of info. (welcome new members, cross-disciplinary dev...)



**Promote participation of young scientists** in leadership, outreach, diversity, soft skill development...



**Lay the foundations** for a functional, enjoyable and inclusive working environment

# Activities

- **The mentorship program** - provides personal mentorship for junior LISA scientists
- **LECS Talks!** - monthly talk from a LECS member or an external speaker on anything related to *gravitational waves*, *LISA*, or anything of interest to the *LECS community*
  - *Next speaker: Michael Katz*
- **GW ECS Job Fair**

# LISA School 2025 @Les Houches

- 6-17 October 2025
- Lectures and hands-on sessions  
*Bayle, Baghi, Bonetti, Bortlas, Brito, Castelli, Cole, Heffernan, Inchauspé, Korsakova, Muratore, Maggio, Middleton, Tamanini, Waibel*
- All LISA Early Career Scientists are welcome!  
Stay tuned for more details



“This is an international school on LISA space-based gravitational-wave observations and science, organised by and for early-career scientists within the LISA community and beyond. We aim to promote scientific excellence in tomorrow’s research leaders and to foster collaborations in a new, rapidly growing, and diverse community.”



# Contacts

If you have questions about LECS or you would like to be a member of the LECS group, you can send an email to [lecs-chairs@lisamission.org](mailto:lecs-chairs@lisamission.org)

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