

# SIS Fall Meeting Oct. 8-9, 2018

DLR Status and News



Knowledge for Tomorrow



# Status of German SOFIA-Review

- With the decision to perform the S5YFMR (SOFIA 5 Year Flagship Mission Review), a joint US/D-review became a possibility.
- We contacted our Programmausschuss – the German equivalent of the APAC – and got confirmation to participate in the S5YFMR.
- The German side will participate with two German board members each for the SOMER (SOFIA Maintenance & Operations ? Review) and for the Science Review.
- We also talked with P. Hertz who supported the idea to conduct a joint review.
- For the SOMER we already selected the board members, for the Science Review we are still in discussion with possible candidates.
- The SOMER panel will have a first meeting this week (Wed./Thurs.)
- The final report(s) will be the basis for the Programmausschuss for their recommendation for the continuation of the German Involvement in SOFIA.



# DLR Status

- One of the recommendations of the SIS-letter to the SOFIA-program was to establish a kind of „steering committee“ for SOFIA.  
Due to the new direction from SMD to perform a Flagship Mission Review, that recommendation has remained in the background. However, a weekly meeting with HQ-representation has been installed to establish communication between all parties. We still have to find some time to establish the steering committee.
- September 27 we had a good meeting with Dr. Pelzer, DLR executive board member for Space Administration.  
Bernhard Schulz presented SOFIA and our science-objectives. The discussion of SOFIA-science was held in a positive atmosphere.

