## ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY – CURRENT STATUS AND FUTURE (a personal view)

The Astronomical observatory in Belgrade (AOB) is one of the oldest scientific institutions in Serbia. It was founded in 1887, and now after 130 years of work, the AOB has made a significant contribution to the Serbian and international science. The AOB is a leading institution in Serbia in astronomy and related fields that is aiming to stay in the future. Here we give a short overview of the activity of AOB, role in society and a view of future development of AOB.

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