

# Office of Outreach and Communications Report

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**Abstract** This document constitutes the biennial 2021–2022 report for the IVS Office of Outreach and Communications.

## 1 General Information

The IVS Office of Outreach and Communications (IVS OOC) is staffed by myself alone, as its director, with administrative and information technology support from MIT Haystack Observatory and in consultation with the IVS Coordinating Center (IVS CC). Responsibilities include maintaining an outreach website, <http://vlbi.org>, which is funded by MIT Haystack Observatory, plus the nascent IVS social media presence, as well as general outreach and communications activities.

## 2 Activities During the Past Two Years

Activities for the period of this report include maintenance and periodic updates to the <http://vlbi.org> site; postings to the IVS Twitter account (<https://twitter.com/ivs.ooc>); attendance at and participation in IVS Directing Board (IVS DB) meetings; working with the IVS CC on IVS elections; a complete redesign of the venerable IVS Newsletter; and minor contributions to the IVS Newsletter content.

1. MIT Haystack Observatory

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## 3 Current Status

The described activities of the IVS OOC are being continued and are planned to be extended.

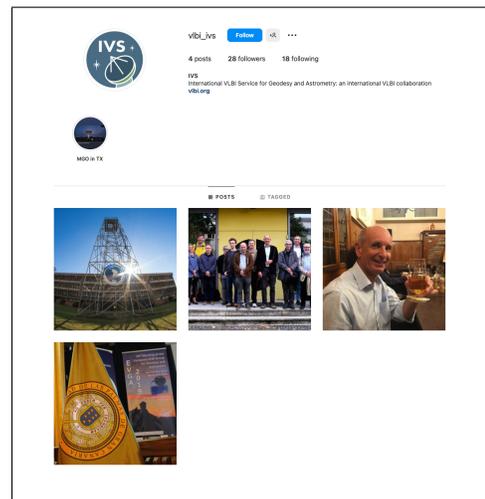


Fig. 1 The small, yet beautiful, IVS Instagram site.

## 4 Future Plans

IVS OOC activities will be updated and expanded over the next year. The IVS OOC website, <http://vlbi.org>, will be updated and a few links will be repaired during normal maintenance, and additional content will be added as time permits. The material will include new VLBI outreach and educational material, as well as IVS information, both text and graphics. The Twitter

feed will be more frequently updated and will be used to promote IVS materials, from the IVS OOC and elsewhere. Information from IVS stations will be solicited. With the return of in-person events, such as the IVS

Technical Operations Workshop (TOW), the IVS Instagram site ([https://www.instagram.com/vlbi\\_ivs/](https://www.instagram.com/vlbi_ivs/)) will be able to be revived, and the site will benefit from new photographs of IVS activities.