

International
Asteroid
Warning
Network

International Asteroid Warning Network (IAWN) Update

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Overview for NEO Threat Response



United Nations
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*Inform in case of
credible threat*



Parent Government Delegates

Determine Impact time,
location and severity

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Warning Network
(IAWN)
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Coordinated
by NASA

Observers, analysts, modelers...

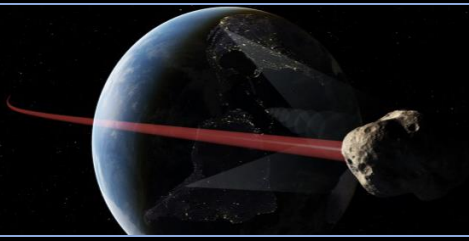
Potential deflection
mission plans

Space Missions Planning
Advisory Group
(SMPAG)
www.smpag.net

Chaired
by ESA

Space agencies and offices





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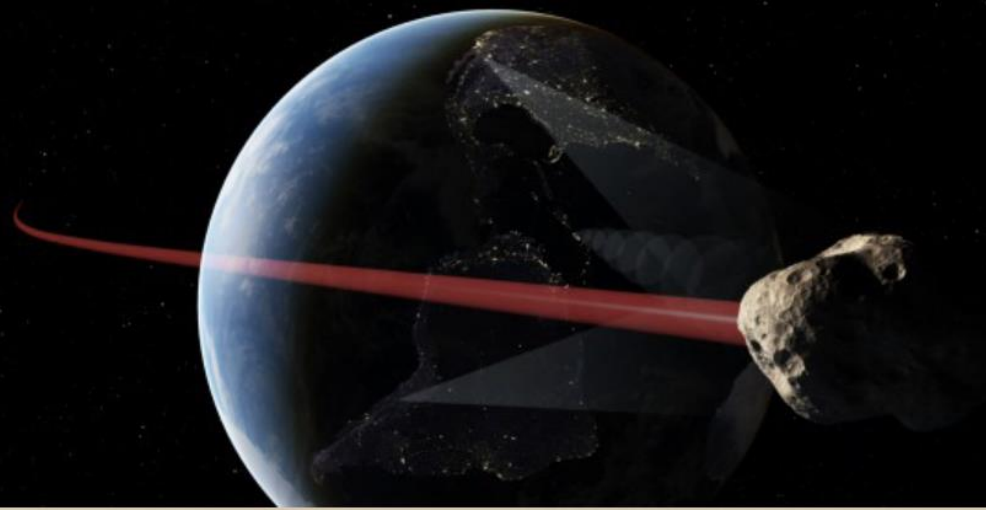
International Asteroid Warning Network (IAWN)

A worldwide collaboration of asteroid observers, analysts, and modelers recommended by the United Nations

New signatories to IAWN since the last meeting:

United Kingdom Space Agency (UKSA)

**IAWN includes
61 signatories
from 28 countries
(February 2025)**




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International Asteroid Warning Network

IAWN is a world-wide planetary defense collaboration of organizations and individual astronomers recommended by United Nations resolution who collectively work to detect, monitor, and characterize potentially hazardous asteroids and Near-Earth Objects (NEOs). If an asteroid threat were ever identified, IAWN would act as a centralized hub for disseminating information to governments to aid with analysis of impact consequences and with planning of mitigation response options.

For comments or update requests for this website, contact [Elizabeth Warner](#).

Active IAWN Notifications

Notification of Potential Impactor: Asteroid 2024 YR4 

Current Activities

The IAWN signatories have been observing 2024 YR4.



IAWN is currently participating in a simulated asteroid impact threat scenario being prepared for the 2025 Planetary Defense Conference [🔗](#). More information about the scenario can be found on the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory's Center for NEO Studies website [🔗](#).

Recent Signatories

- United Kingdom Space Agency
- John J. McCarthy Observatory (932)
- Konkoly Observatory, HUN-REN Research Centre for Astronomy and Earth Sciences (461, 561 and K88)
- Al-Khatim Observatory (M44), United Arab Emirates

[All IAWN Members](#)

Quick Links

- IAWN Signatories (Members)
- IAWN Statement of Intent 
- IAWN Steering Committee Terms of Reference 
- UN Office of Outer Space Affairs NEO Page [🔗](#)
- Space Mission Planning Advisory Group (SMPAG) [🔗](#)
- International Year of Asteroid Awareness and Planetary Defense (IYAPD 2029) [🔗](#)

<https://iawn.net/obscamp/2024YR4/index.shtml>

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2024 YR4

2024 YR4 is an asteroid with the potential to impact Earth on 22 December 2032. The latest impact probabilities can be found on the object pages below.

- The asteroid was [first observed by the ATLAS Chile site](#) (MPC Code W68) on 27 December 2024, with precovery images extending back to 25 December 2024.
- Observations by the world wide network of observers can be found on the [MPC 2024 YR4 page](#).
- The [absolute magnitude](#) value is [approximately 24](#). Its size is estimated to be in the 40-90 meter range.
- The asteroid's spectra has been observed, and is consistent with possibly an S or L spectral type (J. de Léon, on the GTC, and N. Moskovitz, on the LDT).
- VLT data (M. Devogele) and La Silla 1.54 meter data (P. Pravec) indicate a rotational period near 19.5 minutes. The VLT observers have also obtained phase curve coverage from 5 to 35 degrees.

Orbit Modeling Centers – Object Pages

- [NASA JPL CNEOS](#)
- [ESA NEOCC](#)
- [NEODyS-2](#)

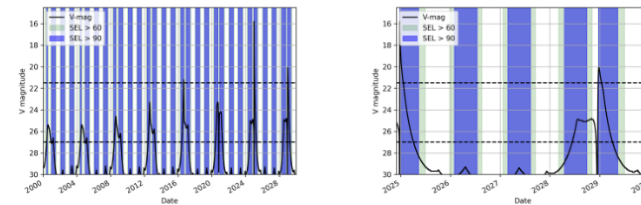
IAWN Notifications

- [Notification of Potential Impactor: Asteroid 2024 YR4](#)

Other Documents

- [MPC MPEC](#)
- [ESA Close Approach Fact Sheet \(CAFS\)](#)
- [Protocol for Negative Observations of Virtual Impactors on MPC Documents Page](#)

Observability Plots



LEFT: 30-yr (2000-2030) Ephemeris of 2024 YR4 and RIGHT: 2024-2030 Ephemeris of 2024 YR4
Courtesy NASA/JPL-Caltech/CNEOS

2024 YR4 Imagery

