

Members of the S&TG who attend the Open Technology Forum on Wednesday 12 December will be organised into teams of six members per team. Each team will be provided with a primary topic and additionally a list of sample questions to trigger team discussions on some related aspects of that topic. Each team will address a different primary topic and review the related aspects of that topic. At the outset all teams will be given 10 minutes to generate their list of questions; preferably additional to or at least a variant to those on the sample list. Each team will appoint a spokesperson to ask me, within a set period of 10 minutes, their preferred questions on the allocated main topic and the related aspects. Other teams can interject questions, relating to the main topic under discussion, if the team asking the questions does not use their allocated 10 minutes. We will have the usual 15 minute break mid session for refreshments after four teams have asked their questions. If time allows, on completion of all 10 minute question slots, an open discussion period will be allowed for all teams to ask additional questions.

The main/primary topics, for potentially eight teams and the related sample questions are listed in the attached file. Please assess the content before 12 December and be prepared to ask me some really challenging questions.

I look forward to seeing a large number of you on December 12, to being put under the inquisition spotlight and to wishing all of you the very best for the festive period.