

THE RAMS MANIFESTO

Astrological Research by Scientific Methods

? The astrological studies carried out by RAMS are based on a fundamentally scientific approach.

? Esoteric concepts and manifestations are rejected and classic astrological symbols used are considered as similar to chemical symbols (Cu= copper etc).

? The aim of RAMS is to encourage and develop research, study and analysis of observed statistical links between planetary phenomena of the solar system and human characteristics, both in the areas of personality assessment and the forecasting of events.

? Insofar as the nature of astrological phenomena is concerned, RAMS refuses to consider these as being without natural causes, known or yet to be discovered, and restricts itself to using scientific terms or concepts that are clear and well founded.

? Without dismissing the complexity of the interplay of factual events, it firmly rejects irrational literary approaches in all studies or theories advanced.

? RAMS thus seeks to ensure that astrology be made a legitimate subject of research, and that such research be recognised as of serious scientific and academic value, useful to society in a pragmatic , practical and humanistic way. S.F.B.

History: founded in 1992 by F. Santoni, S. Fuzeau-Braech, F. Schneider-Gauquelin and Y. Lenoble, RAMS has brought out 12 annual reports (Les Cahiers des RAMS) on the results of new research and various studies. Teams work in various scientific fields (biology, medicine, psychology, astronomy, etc.) currently under the following committee :

- *président* : Francis SANTONI, ingineer, IT

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The RAMS is the only organisation in France to study astrology experimentally in a purely scientific manner.

Activities and publications can be found on the RAMS Website : www.ramsfr.fr E-mail address: ramsfr@free.fr

There are three categories of members :

- <u>Active member</u>, subscription 15 Euros ; those actively involved in research or other work related to our aims, with the organisations assistance if necessary.

- <u>Benefactor member</u>, minimum subscription 20 Euros, those interested in our research and activity, without active participation.

- <u>Corresponding member</u>, no subscription, honorary membership granted to anyone outside France who has helped the organisation in any way (articles, contacts, etc.).

The website will henceforth be used to publish articles which have so far been printed. Use of the Internet for correspondence is recommended.

Back numbers (1-12 of "les Cahiers du RAMS" and other printed publications of the society) may be obtained, for a nominal fee, from the following address :

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