MONDAY, 8 MAY 2017

08:30 - 10:00

OPENING CEREMONY

Diamond Auditorium

Chair: Mmboneni Muofhe, Department of Science and Technology

Participants

Naledi Pandor, Minister of Science and Technology

Sheila Senkubuge, City of Tshwane

Val Munsami, SANSA

John Trinder, ISPRS

Charles Hutchinson, President ICRSE

10:00 - 10:30 | REFRESHMENT BREAK

10:30 - 12:30

PLENARY SESSION 1 | SUPPORT OF SPACE AGENCIES TO THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Diamond Auditorium

Chair: Peter Breger, European Commission

Panellists

Stephen Briggs, ESA

Carlos Daniel Caruso, CONAE

Lawrence Friedl, NASA

Leila Maria Garcia, INPE

Guo Huadong, RADI CAS

Paida Mangara, SANSA

Osamu Ochiai, JAXA

Stephen Volz, NOAA

12:30 - 13:30 | LUNCH

13:30 to 15:00

SPACE AGENCY 1

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Val Munsami, SANSA and Peter Schaadt, DLR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THE EU EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMME | Peter Breger, European Commission |
| THE ESA EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMME | Stephen Briggs, ESA |
| THE NASA EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMME | Lawrence Friedl, NASA |
| THE SANSA EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMME | Paida Mangara, SANSA |
| EARTH OBSERVATION MISSIONS AND APPLICATIONS IN BRAZIL | Leila Fonseca, INPE |

CLIMATE VARIABILITY

Amber Room 1

Co-chairs: André Obregón, GEO Secretariat and Michael Rast, ESA

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| CLIMATE CHANGE - CENTRAL TO GEO'S ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES | André Obregon, GEO Secretariat |
| EVALUATION OF QA4ECV LAND ECVS GENERATED USING AN OPTIMAL ESTIMATION FRAMEWORK | Jan-Peter Muller, University College London |
| THE RESPONSES OF DRY-WET CONDITIONS TO EL NINO SOUTHERN OSCILLATION: A CASE STUDY I | N CHINA Zhongyi Sun, Hokkaido University |
| CLIMATE CHANGE AND LAND SURFACE PHENOLOGY IN THE NORTHEAST CHINA | Jianjun Zhao, Northeast Normal University |
| THE EFFECTS OF EI NINO ON THE CO2 CONCENTRATION CHANGES IN OCEANIA REGION BY USING MONITORING SATELLITES | GREENHOUSE GAS Shuai Yin, Hokkaido University |

VEGETATION FUNCTIONAL TYPES

Amethyst Room

Co-chairs: Elhadi Adam, University of the Witwatersrand and Onisimo Mutanga, University of Kwazulu-Natal

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| MAPPING PROSOPIS GLANDULOSA (MESQUITE) INVASION IN ABA ISLAND, SUDAN USING HIGH-RESOLUTION WORLDVIEW-2 IMAGERY AND MACHINE LEARNING CLASSIFIERS | Elhadi Adam, University of the Witwatersrand |
| EXPLORING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SPECIES DIVERSITY AND TREE COVER IN THE SAVANNAH WOODLAND OF SOUTHERN AFRICA | Sabelo Madonsela, CSIR |
| | Jeanne D'arc Mukarugwiro, University of the Witwatersrand |
| IMPACT OF LONG-TERM CHANGES IN THE SPATIAL STRUCTURE OF URBAN GREEN SPACES ON TEMPERATURE: A CASE OF HARARE, ZIMBABWE | Terence Mushore, University of Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| ANALYSIS OF TEMPORAL STATISTICS AND LONG TERM CLIMATE OBSERVATIONS FOR DERIVING THE PREDISPOSITION OF FORESTS TO STRESS EVENTS | Anne Reichmuth, University of Würzburg |
| USING LONG-TERM WATER CYCLE AND VEGETATION SATELLITE PRODUCTS FOR IMPROVED MODELLING OF TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEM DYNAMICS | Wolfgang Wagner, Technical University of Wien |

INNOVATIVE INFRASTRUCTURES 4 EO

Emerald Auditorium

Co-chairs: Andiswa Mlisa, Group on Earth Observations (GEO) and Osamu Ochiai, GEO Secretariat

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| EXPECTATIONS OF THE GEOSS INNOVATIVE INFRASTRUCTURE | Osamu Ochiai, GEO Secretariat |
| AMERIGEOSS COMMUNITY PLATFORM: AN EARTH OBSERVATION DELIVERY FRAMEWORK THAT BRINGS TOGETHER SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL DATA FROM A GLOBAL COMMUNITY OF CONTRIBUTORS TO SUPPORT UNDERSTANDING AND DECISION-MAKING | Ivan DeLoatch, Federal Geographic Data Committee |
| DIAS: DATA INTEGRATION AND ANALYSIS SYSTEM | Akira Mukaida, Remote Sensing Technology Center of Japan |
| AFRICA DATA INTENSIVE RESEARCH CLOUD: EARTH OBSERVATION DATA PLATFORM IN SUPPORT OF THE AFRICAN SPACE PROGRAMME AND AFRIGEOSS INITIATIVE | Andiswa Mlisa, GEO Secretariat |
| THE GLOBAL EARTH OBSERVATION SYSTEM OF SYSTEMS COMMON INFRASTRUCTURE: COMPONENTS GEOSS PORTAL AND GEO DISCOVERY AND ACCESS BROKER (GEO-DAB) | Joost Van Bemmelen, ESA-ESRIN |

EO 4 URBAN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL

Crystal Room

Co-chairs: Yifang Ban, KTH Royal Institute of Technology and Marc Paganini, ESA

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| AN OVERVIEW OF THE UNITED NATIONS URBAN SDG TARGETS AND INDICATORS: IMPLICATIONS FOR SPATIAL DATA NEEDS | Robert Peter Ndugwa, Un-habitat |
| THE ROLE OF SATELLITE OBSERVATIONS FOR MEASURING AND MONITORING THE URBAN SDG TARGETS AND INDICATORS | Marc Paganini, ESA |
| GEO'S EFFORTS IN SUPPORT OF SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT | Thomas Kemper, European Commission |
| EO4URBAN: MULTITEMPORAL SENTINEL-1A SAR AND SENTINEL-2A MSI DATA FOR GLOBAL URBAN SERVICES | Yifang Ban, KTH Royal Institute of Technology |
| HUMAN SETTLEMENT DATA TO SUPPORT MEASURING AND MONITORING INDICATORS OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS IN SOUTH AFRICA | Naledzani Mudau, SANSA |
| SENTINEL-2 MSI DATA FOR MAPPING AND MONITORING URBAN GREEN SPACES | Yifang Ban, KTH Royal Institute of Technology |

15:00 - 15:30 | REFRESHMENT BREAK AND POSTERS Q&A

15:30 - 17:00

SPACE AGENCY 2

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Lawrence Friedl, NASA and Peter Schaadt, DLR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| CONAE EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMME | Carlos Daniel Caruso, CONAE |
| AGEOS EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMME | Aboubakar Mambimba Ndjoungui, AGEOS |
| CHINESE EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMME | Guo Huadong, RADI CAS |
| NOAA EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMME | Stephen Volz, NOAA |
| IAPANESE AFROSPACE EXPLORATION AGENCY | Osamu Ochiai, JAXA |

WEATHER INFORMATION IN AFRICA

Amber Room 1

Co-chairs: Frank Eckardt, University of Cape Town and Hannes Rautenbach, SAWS

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| COMPARING IMERG AND TMPA PRECIPITATION DATA IN AFRICA | Amin Dezfuli, NASA |
| THE BENEFITS OF A LIGHTNING DETECTION NETWORK AND ITS APPLICATIONS | Morne Gijben, SAWS |
| OPERATIONAL GEOSTATIONARY SATELLITE AT THE SOUTH AFRICAN WEATHER SERVICE | Bathobile Maseko, SAWS |
| SATELLITE MONITORING OF DUST STORMS OVER SOUTHWEST ASIA | Alireza Rashki, Ferdowski University of Mashhad |
| COMPARATIVE STUDY OF TREND RUN AND PCA MODEL FOR PERFORMING THE TREND CALCULATION ON SAWS (SOUTH AFRICAN WEATHER SERVICE) ATMOSPHERIC DATA | Syamala Krishnannair, University of Zululand |

FOREST CHARACTERISATION

Emerald Auditorium

 $\textbf{\textit{Co-chairs:}} \ \textit{Peter Scarth, The University of Queensland and Christiane Schmullius, Friedrich-Schiller University Jena}$

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| VERY HIGH RESOLUTION MAPPING OF SPEKBOOM CANOPY COVER | Dugal Harris, Stellenbosch University |
| A COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF NFI-BASED AND LIDAR-BASED FOREST ABOVEGROUND BIOMASS MAPS IN MEXICO | Mikhail Urbazaev, Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena |
| CANOPY GAP ANALYSIS USING LIDAR-DERIVED VARIABLES | Leighton Lombard, Stellenbosch University |
| STRUCTURAL CLASSIFICATION OF AUSTRALIA'S FORESTS AND DETERMINATION OF RELATIVE GROWTH STATES | Peter Scarth, The University of Queensland |
| FOREST-OBSERVATION-SYSTEM.NET – TOWARDS GLOBAL REFERENCE DATABASE FOR FOREST BIOMASS | Dmitry Schepaschenko, Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena |
| GLOBBIOMASS - ESTIMATES OF BIOMASS ON GLOBAL AND REGIONAL SCALES | Christiane Schmullius, Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena |

URBAN MONITORING

Crystal Room

Co-chairs: Thomas Esch, DLR and Christopher Small, Columbia University

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| COMPARATIVE ASSESSMENT OF THE COPERNICUS LAND MONITORING PAN-EUROPEAN HIGH RESOLUTION LAYER ON IMPERVIOUSNESS DEGREE AND THE EUROPEAN SETTLEMENT LAYER | Christophe Sannier, SIRS SAS |
| RECENT ADVANCES IN GLOBAL MAPPING OF HUMAN SETTLEMENT WITH SENTINEL DATA: ADDRESSING THE BIG DATA PARADIGM SHIFT THROUGH THE SYMBOLIC MACHINE LEARNING TECHNOLOGY | Thomas Kemper, European Commission |
| USING SATELLITE DATA FOR IMPROVED URBAN DEVELOPMENT IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES | Fabian Enssle, GAF AG |
| MAPPING URBANIZATION BY MEANS OF ESA RADAR IMAGERY - THE SAR4URBAN PROJECT | Soner Üreyen, DLR |
| MONITORING URBAN CHANGE IN THREE DIMENSIONS | Christopher Small, Columbia University |
| EARTH OBSERVATION-SUPPORTED SERVICE PLATFORM FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROVISION OF THEMATIC INFORMATION ON THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT – THE TEP-URBAN PROJECT | Thomas Esch, DLR |

INTERFEROMETRY FOR SURFACE DEFORMATION

Onyx Room

Co-chairs: Jeanine Engelbrecht, CSIR and Abraham Thomas, CGS

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| PILLAR-COLLAPSE IN SOUTH AFRICAN COAL MINES AND RELATED SURFACE DEFORMATION AS DETECTED USING SENTINEL-1 DINSAR APPROACHES | Jeanine Engelbrecht, CSIR |
| MONITORING POST-MINING REHABILITATION USING MULTI-SENSOR SAR DATA: FIRST RESULTS | Shelley Haupt, CSIR |
| OBSERVATION OF GROUND SURFACE DEFORMATION IN COASTAL AREAS BY SAR INTERFEROMETRY | Daniel Raucoules, BRGM |
| INSAR FOR OIL FIELD DEFORMATION MONITORING DURING CYCLIC STEAM STIMULATION | Gordon Staples, MDA |
| A REVIEW OF SINKHOLE PRECURSOR DETECTION THROUGH SAR INTERFEROMETRY | Andre Theron, CSIR |
| RADAR INTERFEROMETRY USING SENTINEL-1 SAR DATA FOR IDENTIFYING SURFACE DEFORMATION IN KWAZULU- NATAL PROVINCE ASSOCIATED WITH THE DURBAN EARTHQUAKE OF 6 FEBRUARY 2016 | Abraham Thomas, CGS |

17:00 - 17:10 | TRANSFER TIME

17:10 - 18:40

SPACE AGENCY 3

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Stephen Briggs, ESA and Peter Schaadt, DLR

| Presentation title | Speaker | |
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| EARTH OBSERVATION ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE PERSPECTIVES IN EGYPT | Islam Abou El-Magd, NARSS | |
| THE GERMAN EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMME | Peter Schaadt, DLR | |
| CNES' EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMME: CONTRIBUTING TO THE GLOBAL EARTH OBSERVING SYSTEM OF SYSTEMS Steven Hosford, CNES | | |
| REGIONAL CENTRE FOR MAPPING OF RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT | John Kiema, RCMRD | |
| THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE EXCELLENCE RESEARCH CENTRE FOR EARTH SURVEILLANCE AND SPACE-BASED MONITORING OF THE ENVIRONMENT (EXCELSIOR) IN CYPRUS | Kyriacos Themistocleous, Cyprus University of Technology | |

CROP INVENTORY & SOIL ASSESSMENT

Amber Room 1

Co-chairs: Doris Klein, DLR and Terence Newby, Agricultural Research Council

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| EARTH OBSERVATION METHODS FOR MONITORING SALT ACCUMULATION IN IRRIGATED AREAS | Adriaan Van Niekerk, Stellenbosch University |
| MAPPING PADDY RICE IN ASIA - A MULTI-SENSOR, TIME-SERIES APPROACH | Kersten Clauss, University of Wuerzburg |
| COFFEE CROP 'HEALTH' MONITORING USING SATELLITE DATA – CAN IT WORK? | Peter Hausknecht, Earth-i Ltd |
| ALGORITHM FOR IMPROVED TREE COUNTING AND DETECTION OF HIGH VALUE CROPS IN MISAMIS ORIENTAL THROUGH ADAPTIVE MACHINE LEARNING APPROACH WITH THE INTEGRATION OF WATERSHED TRANSFORMATION AND LOCAL MAXIMA ANALYSIS | Jigg Pelayo, Phil-LiDAR 2 |
| REMOTE SENSING BASED ANALYSIS OF MASS MOVEMENTS AND SOIL EROSION IN THE ETHIOPIAN HIGHLANDS | Volker Hochschild, University of Tuebingen |

PROTECTED AREAS

Amethyst Room

 $\textbf{\textit{Co-chairs:}} \ \textit{Barend Erasmus, University of the Witwaters } \textit{rand and Izak Smit, SANParks}$

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| LAND COVER MAPPING AND MONITORING IN THE KAVANGO ZAMBEZI TRANSFRONTIER CONSERVATION AREA (KAZ/ TFCA): TRENDS, APPLICATIONS & USE | A Natlie Diemer, Peace Parks Foundation |
| PROTECTED AREA'S: ISLANDS IN THE LANDSCAPE? | Debbie Jewitt, Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife |
| STANDARDISED SATELLITE-BASED CLASSIFICATIONS OF LAND COVERS IN PROTECTED AREAS AND SURROUNDING LANDSCAPES | Richard Lucas, University of New South Wales |
| REMOTE SENSING FOR ESSENTIAL BIODIVERSITY VARIABLES (RS4EBV): APPLICATIONS TO PROTECTED AREAS | Brian O'Connor, WCMC |
| LIMITS TO GROWTH IN THE ALBANY THICKET BIOME: VEGETATION TRENDS AND PATTERNS FROM EARTH OBSERVATION PRODUCTS OVER THE ADDO ELEPHANT NATIONAL PARK AND EZULU GAME RESERVE | Anthony Palmer, Agricultural Research Council |
| USING SPATIO-TEMPORALLY EXPLICIT MODIS EVI TIME SERIES TO INFORM HERBIVORE MANAGEMENT DECISION MAKING IN SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL PARKS | Izak Smit, SANParks |
| MONITORING DIMENSIONS OF BIODIVERSITY IN A MEGA-DIVERSE REGION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA: FROM TRAITS TO COMMUNITIES TO ECOSYSTEMS | Adam Wilson, University at Buffalo |

IMPROVING WATER RESOURCE

Ruby Auditorium

Co-chairs: Andiswa Mlisa, Group on Earth Observations (GEO) and Lisa-Maria Rebelo, International Water Management Institute

| Presentation title INTEGRATION OF SATELLITE RAINFALL DATA AND CURVE NUMBER METHOD FOR RUNOFF ESTIMATION UNDER SEMIARID WADI SYSTEM | Speaker Mohamed A. M. Abd Elbasit, Agricultural Research Council |
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| WATER RELATED ACTIVITIES IN GEO (GROUP ON EARTH OBSERVATIONS) | Vanessa Aellen, CNES |
| HIGH-RESOLUTION ENHANCED PRODUCT BASED ON SMAP ACTIVE-PASSIVE APPROACH AND SENTINEL 1A RADAR DATA | Narendra Das, NASA |
| WATER ACCOUNTING +: REMOTE SENSING BASED ASSESSMENTS OF WATER USE AND AVAILABILITY | Lisa-Maria Rebelo, IWMI |
| AN INTERFEROMETRIC SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR (INSAR) ANALYSIS FOR WATER LEVEL MONITORING: A CASE STUDY IN NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR | Bahram Selehi, Memorial University |
| SURFACE WATER AND OCEAN TOPOGRAPHY (SWOT) MISSION APPLICATIONS USER NEEDS ASSESSMENT | Margaret Srinivasan, JPL Caltech |
| PARAMETERIZING NET RADIATION USING REMOTE SENSING DATA FOR EVAPOTRANSPIRATION MODELING | Nobuhle Majozi, CSIR |

URBAN CLIMATE & ENVIRONMENT

Crystal Room

 $\textbf{\textit{Co-chairs:}} \ \ \textit{Nektarios Chrysoulakis, FORTH and Roberto San Jose, Computer Science School}$

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| SPATIOTEMPORAL VARIATIONS IN THE IMPACTS OF URBAN LAND USE TYPES ON URBAN HEAT ISLAND EFFECTS: THE CASE OF RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA | Elhadi Adam, University of the Witwatersrand |
| COMPARATIVE 3D EVALUATION OF FINE-SCALE GLOBAL AND LOCAL NORMALISED DEMS: THE TSHWANE CASE | André Breytenbach, CSIR |
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| ANTHROPOGENIC HEAT FLUX ESTIMATION FROM SPACE: RESULTS OF THE SECOND PHASE OF THE URBANFLUXES PROJECT | Nektarios Chrysoulakis, FORTH |
| CLIMATE CHANGE EFFECTS ON URBAN LEVEL: CITIZEN HEALTH AND BUILDING ENERGY DEMAND | Roberto San Jose, Computer Science School |
| BUILDING OUTLINE DETECTION OF INFORMAL DWELLINGS IN SUB-METRE OPTICAL IMAGERY USING ATTRIBUTE MORPHOLOGY AND SHAPE DESCRIPTORS | Frans van den Bergh, CSIR |

19:00 - 21:00 | ICE BREAKER

TUESDAY, 9 MAY 2017

08:30 - 10:30

PLENARY SESSION 2 | SHOWCASING THE SOCIO ECONOMIC IMPACT OF EO

Diamond Auditorium

Chair: Barbara Ryan, GEO Secretariat

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THE COPERNICUS PROGRAMME IN A CHANGING WORLD | Peter Breger, European Commission |
| THE NORWEGIAN SYSTEM FOR DEVELOPING AND EXPLOITING INSAR INFORMATION IN OPERATIONAL GOVERNMENTAL AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES | Dag Anders Moldestad, NSC |
| VALUE OF EARTH OBSERVATION FOR SOCIETAL NEEDS | Gunter Schreier, DLR |
| SOCIETAL IMPACT OF NEW AND IMPROVED MEASUREMENTS FROM UPCOMING CNES MISSIONS | Steven Hosford, CNES |
| THE EVOLUTION OF THE ADVANCED FIRE INFORMATION SYSTEM (AFIS): FROM A LOCAL TRAGEDY TO GLOBAL SUCCESS | Philip Frost, CSIR |
| NATIONAL AUTHORITY FOR REMOTE SENSING & SPACE SCIENCES | Islam Abou El-Magd, NARSS |

10:30 - 11:00: REFRESHMENT BREAK

11:00 - 12:30

COPERNICUS 1

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Michael Cherlet, European Commission and Konrad Wessels, CSIR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THE EU COPERNICUS MARINE SERVICE - AN INTEGRATED OFFER BASED ON STATE-OF-THE-ART SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE | Cecile Thomas-Courcoux, Mercator Ocean |
| THE EU COPERNICUS ATMOSPHERE SERVICE - WHAT ATMOSPHERE IS IT? MONITORING ATMOSPHERIC COMPOSITION, RADIATION AND SURFACE FLUXES FOR THE USERS OF THE COPERNICUS - ATMOSPHERE MONITORING SERVICE (CAMS) | Jean-Noel Thépaut, ECMWF |
| THE COPERNICUS CLIMATE CHANGE SERVICE (C3S) IN THE MAKING - THE C3S SERVICE AND PRODUCTS | Jean-Noel Thépaut, ECMWF |
| THE EU COPERNICUS EMERGENCY SERVICE – SUPPORT TO DISASTER MANAGEMENT FROM SPACE | Annett Wania, European Commission |
| THE EU COPERNICUS GLOBAL LAND COMPONENT OF THE LAND SERVICE - THE GLOBAL LAND COMPONENT: BRINGING SPACE DOWN TO EARTH | Michael Cherlet, European Commission |
| THE EU COPERNICUS PAN-EUROPEAN AND LOCAL LAND COMPONENT OF THE LAND SERVICE - OBSERVING EUROPE: THE SERVICE'S PRODUCTS | Ana Sousa, EEA |

CRYOSPHERE

Amber Room 1

Co-chairs: Andreas Dietz, DLR and Peter Friedl, DLR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| TANDEM X-BAND INTERFEROMETRIC AND POLARIMETRIC OBSERVATIONS OF SUB-ARCTIC SNOW | lan Brown, Stockholm University |
| TIME SERIES ANALYSIS OF GLOBAL DAILY SNOW COVER EXTENTS DERIVED FROM MEDIUM RESOLUTION REMOTE SENSING DATA - GLOBAL SNOWPACK | Andreas Dietz, DLR |
| ESTIMATION OF ICE THICKNESS ON LARGE NORTHERN LAKES FROM JASON-2 RADAR ALTIMETER AND PASSIVE MICROWAVE DATA | Claude Duguay, University of Waterloo |
| LONG –TERM MONITORING OF THE GLACIERS IN WORDIE BAY, ANTARCTIC PENINSULA, USING MULTI-MISSION SAR TIME SERIES | Peter Friedl, DLR |
| INFLUENCE OF DRY SNOW COVER ON TANDEM-X DATA OVER A HIGH LATITUDE BOREAL FOREST ECOSYSTEM | Dimitra Panagiotopoulou, Stockholm University |
| ASSESSING THE VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL MOVEMENT OF ICE AND SNOW FACIES ALONG THE BALTORO GLACIER BY SAR TECHNOLOGY | Anna Wendleder, DLR |

RS OF PHENOLOGY

Amethyst Room

Co-chairs: Sally Archibald, University of the Witwatersrand and Robert Scholes, University of the Witwatersrand

| Presentation title S | Speaker |
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| MONITORING AND MODELLING VEGETATION PHENOLOGY FROM SPACE | Michel Verstraete, University of the Witwatersrand |
| THE POSSIBILITY OF USING MODIS-BASED PHENOMETRICS AND GENERALIZED LINEAR MODELING (GLM) FOR | Fobias Landmann, ICIPE |
| MAPPING LAND DEGRADATION PROCESSES IN SOMALILAND | iodias Landinanni, icirc |
| UNMIXING THE PHENOLOGY OF TREES AND GRASSES IN SEMI-ARID SAVANNAS | Robert Scholes, University of the Witwatersrand |
| OAK (QUERCUS PETREA) TREE PHENOLOGY VARIABILITY MONITORED BY DIGITAL CAMERAS ONBOARD A UAV: A | Elias Berra, Newcastle University |
| COMPARISON OF INDICES | |
| INTEGRATING FIELD-BASED AND REMOTE-SENSING TECHNIQUES TO MONITOR THE PHENOLOGY OF SOUTHERN | Melissa A Whitecross, University of the Witwatersrand |
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| PHENOLOGY OF THE ENKANGALA GRASSLANDS N | Mthokozisi Moyo, University of the Witwatersrand |

NEW PHILOSOPHY FOR LANDCOVER

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Co-chairs: André Obregón, GEO Secretariat and Zoltan Szantoi, EC

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| A NEW ERA FOR LAND CHANGE MONITORING: THE USGS LAND CHANGE MONITORING, ASSESSMENT, AND PROJECTION (LCMAP) PROJECT | André Obregón, GEO Secretariat |
| AUTOMATED GLOBAL LAND COVER MAPPING - FROM GLC VERSION 2 | Peng Gong, Tsinghua University |
| THE NEED FOR A GLOBAL REFERENCE DATABASE FOR LAND COVER AND LAND USE MAPPING | Steffen Fritz, IIASA |
| GLOBELAND30: RECENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESSES | Jun Chen, National Geomatics Center of China |
| IMPROVING GLOBAL LAND COVER MAPPING BY INTEGRATING EXISTING DATA | Linda See, IIASA |

ARCHEOLOGY

Crystal Room

Co-chairs: Mario Hernandez, Future Earth Engagement Committee and Gunter Schreier, DLR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| CLOSE RANGE REMOTE SENSING (DRONES) TO SUPPORT NATIONAL HERITAGE AUTHORITIES IN CAMPECHE, MEXICO | Philippe De Maeyer, Ghent University |
| COPERNICUS SENTINELS EO-DATA FOR URBAN LANDFILLS DETECTION AND MONITORING | Enrico Giuseppe Cadau, SERCO |
| FROM DETECTION OF UNDERGROUND ARCHAEOLOGICAL RELICS TO MONITORING OF WORLD HERITAGE SITES IN DANGER: ONGOING RESEARCH ACTIVITIES IN THE FRAME OF THE ATHENA TWINNING PROJECT | Daniele Cerra, DLR |
| ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEYS ON THE GERMAN NORTH SEA COAST USING HIGH-RESOLUTION SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR DATA | Martin Gade, Universität Hamburg |
| SENSING THE PAST FROM SPACE:REMOTE SENSING FOR DOCUMENTATION, MONITORING AND PRESERVATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE | Rosa Lasaponara, CNR |
| APPLICATION OF REMOTE SENSING TECHNOLOGY IN EXPLORING THE ORIGIN OF CHINESE CIVILIZATION | Li Jun Yu, RADI |
| PRESERVATION THROUGH EDUCATION - GEOTECHNOLOGIES FOR TRAINING UNESCO SITE MANAGERS IN COPERNICUS DATA ANALYSIS FOR MONITORING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF CULTURAL AND NATURAL WORLD HERITAGE | Nils Wolf. Heidelberg University of Education |

RANGELAND MONITORING 1

Onyx Auditorium

Co-chairs: Clement Adjorlolo, SANSA and Michael Schaefer, University of New England

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| INTERACTIVE TOOLS FOR ASSESSING GRAZING IMPACTS ACROSS AUSTRALIA'S ARID RANGELANDS IN NON-PHOTOSYNTHETIC GROUND COVER | JSING VARIABILITY Jason Barnetson, The University of Queensland |
| LONG-TERM LAND MANAGEMENT EFFECTS ON RANGELAND VEGETATION COVER IN THE STRZELEC | KI DESERT Adrian Fisher, The University of Queensland |
| MODELLING CARRYING CAPACITY IN THANDA GAME RESERVE, SOUTH AFRICA USING LANDSAT 8 M DATA | ULTISPECTRAL Zakariyyaa Oumar, South African Department of Environmental Affairs |
| INTEGRATION OF OPTICAL AND SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR (SAR) IMPROVES HERBACEOUS BION USING SENTINEL-1 AND 2 IN THE SAVANNA ECOSYSTEM, SOUTH AFRICA | IASS ESTIMATION Abel Ramoelo, CSIR |
| TAILORING EARTH OBSERVATION TO RANCHERS FOR IMPROVED LAND MANAGEMENT AND PROFIT | ABILITY Peter Scarth, The University of Queensland |
| LASER SCANNING IN SAVANNAS AND OTHER RANGELANDS FOR ESTIMATING BIOMASS AND OTHER STRUCTURAL PARAMETERS | VEGETATION Michael Schaefer, University of New England |

12:30 - 13:30 LUNCH

13:30 - 15:00

COPERNICUS 2

Diamond Auditorium

 $\textbf{\textit{Co-chairs:}} \ \ \textit{Michael Cherlet, European Commission and Lerato Dube, Department of Science \& Technology}$

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| COPERNICUS MARINE ENVIRONMENT MONITORING SERVICE, THE UNIQUE EU CAPACITY AT THE SERVICE OF BLUE GROWTH AND SUSTAINABLE OCEANS: USE CASES AND SUCCESS STORIES | Cecile Thomas-Courcoux, Mercator Ocean |
| THE EU COPERNICUS ATMOSPHERE SERVICE - CAMS IN ACTION: THE PORTFOLIO OF PRODUCTS AND SOME USE CASES | Jean Noel Thepaut, ECMWF |
| THE EU COPERNICUS CLIMATE CHANGE SERVICE (C3S) IN THE MAKING - USING THE C3S PORTFOLIO | Jean Noel Thepaut, ECMWF |
| THE EU COPERNICUS EMERGENCY SERVICE - USE CASES OF THE SERVICES | Annett Wania, European Commission |
| MONITORING KEY LANDSCAPES FOR CONSERVATION WITHIN THE GLOBAL LAND COMPONENT OF THE COPERNICUS LAND SERVICE: THE AFRICAN CONTINENT | Zoltan Szantoi, European Commission |
| THE EU COPERNICUS GLOBAL LAND COMPONENT OF THE LAND SERVICE - GLOBAL LAND USE CASES | Michael Cherlet, European Commission |
| THE EU COPERNICUS PAN-EUROPEAN AND LOCAL LAND COMPONENT OF THE LAND SERVICE - LAND MONITORING | Ana Sousa, European Commission |

AEROSOL PROPERTIES

Amber Room 1

Co-chairs: Nicky Knox, Namibia University of Science and Technology and Stuart Piketh, North-West University

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| SOUTHERN AFRICAN DUST SOURCES | Frank Eckardt, University of Cape Town |
| IMPROVING UNDERSTANDING OF AEROSOL PARTICLES AND THEIR IMPACTS IN AFRICA THROUGH REGIONAL MODELLING AND REMOTE SENSING | Rebecca M Garland, CSIR |
| CHARACTERIZATION OF AEROSOL EMISSIONS FROM AFRICAN BIOMASS BURNING | Charles Ichoku, NASA |
| SPATIAL AND TEMPORAL VARIATION IN AEROSOLS ACROSS NAMIBIA OVER A YEAR. IMPLICATIONS FOR REMOTE SENSING ATMOSPHERIC CORRECTION MODELS | Nicky Knox, Namibia University of Science and Technology |
| LONG-TERM ATMOSPHERIC AEROSOL CHARACTERISTICS OVER NAMIBIA | Stuart Piketh, North-West University |
| AEROSOL-RADIATION-CLOUD INTERACTIONS IN THE SOUTH-EAST ATLANTIC: FIRST RESULTS FROM NASA'S ORACLES- | Jens Redemann, NASA |

INTEROPERABILITY FOR QUANTIFYING FOREST STRUCTURE

Amethyst Room

Co-chairs: Richard Lucas, University of New South Wales and Christiane Schmullius, Friedrich-Schiller University Jena

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| ESTIMATION OF CANOPY HEIGHT IN A COMPLEX VEGETATION ENVIRONMENT USING SENTINEL-1 SAR | Arno Booyzen, University of Johannesburg |
| MAPPING GROWING STOCK VOLUME GLOBALLY USING ALOS PALSAR L-BAND SAR MOSAICS, OPTICAL CANOPY DENSITY MAPS AND ICESAT GLAS | Oliver Cartus, Gamma Remote Sensing |
| ASSESSING MANGROVE DIEBACK IN NORTHERN AUSTRALIA USING LIDAR AND ULTRA-HIGH RESOLUTION IMAGERY | Peter Erskine, The University of Queensland |
| SENTINEL-1 AND -2 DATA FOR OPTIMIZED FOREST COVER DETECTION IN EUROPEAN TEMPERATE FORESTS AND SOUTH AFRICAN SAVANNA | Kai Heckel, Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena |
| REMOTE SENSING DATA FOR MAPPING AND MONITORING THE AFRICAN SAVANNA WOODLANDS, CASE OF LIWALE, TANZANIA | Sizwe Mabaso, The University of Swaziland |
| INDIRECT ESTIMATION OF VEGETATION STRUCTURAL PARAMETERS IN SOUTH AFRICAN FORESTS USING OPTICAL MULTI-VIEW AND LIDAR REMOTE SENSING DATA | Precious Nokuthula Mahlangu, CSIR |

WATER QUALITY

Ruby Auditorium

Co-chairs: Johnny Johannessen, NERSC and Robert Shuchman, Michigan Technological University

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| MAPPING AND MONITORING OPEN WATER BODIES IN AN AGRICULTURAL AREA USING SAR INTERFEROMETRY AND POLARIMETRY | Jaco Kemp, Stellenbosch University |
| ESTIMATION OF CHLOROPHYLL-A IN EUTROPHIC INLAND WATERS USING SENTINEL 3 OCEAN AND LAND COLOR INSTRUMENT | Jeremy Kravitz, University of Cape Town |
| REDUCING THE RISK OF CYANOBACTERIA USING SATELLITE-BASED SERVICES: THE EARTH OBSERVATION NATIONAL EUTROPHICATION MONITORING PROGRAMME (EONEMP) EXAMPLE | Mark Matthews, CyanoLakes |
| SATELLITE OBSERVED WATER QUALITY CHANGES IN THE LAURENTIAN GREAT LAKES DUE TO INVASIVE SPECIES, ANTHROPOGENIC FORCING AND CLIMATE CHANGE | Robert Shuchman, Michigan Technological University |

EO DATA & PRODUCTS

Emerald Auditorium

Co-chairs: Ivan DeLoatch, Federal Geographic Data Committee and Aubrey Kekana, SANSA

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| SIMOCEAN: COLLABORATIVE SYSTEM FOR THE CREATION OF MARINE SERVICES | Nuno Catarino, DEIMOS |
| SPATIAL DATA INFRASTRUCTURE TO SUPPORT THE NATIONAL OCEANS AND COASTAL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM: A DATA GOVERNANCE VIEW | Nicolene Fourie, CSIR |
| HETEROGENEOUS SENSOR DATA INTEGRATION: CHALLENGES, APPROACHES AND BENEFITS | Derek Hohls, CSIR |
| THE NORTHERN VOICE: LISTENING TO INDIGENOUS AND NORTHERN PERSPECTIVES ON MANAGEMENT OF DATA IN CANADA | Ellsworth Ledrew, University of Waterloo |
| PLANNED GROUND SEGMENT ARCHITECTURE FOR EO-SAT1 | Willard Mapurisa, SANSA |
| ASTRONAUT PHOTOGRAPHY OF THE EARTH: A LONG-TERM DATASET FOR EARTH SYSTEM RESEARCH, APPLICATIONS, AND EDUCATION | William L. Stefanov, NASA |

HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

Crystal Room

Co-chairs: Thomas Kemper, EC and Naledzani Mudau, SANSA

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| MULTITEMPORAL SPACEBORNE SAR DATA FOR URBANIZATION MONITORING | Yifang Ban, KTH Royal Institute of Technology |
| A PUBLIC FREE AND OPEN TOOL FOR MAPPING HUMAN SETTLEMENTS | Thomas Kemper, European Commission |
| HUMAN SETTLEMENT DATA USE ON POWER UTILITY | Tshisikhawe Mphaphuli, Eskom Holdings |
| TOWARDS DEVELOPMENT OF A NATIONAL HUMAN SETTLEMENT LAYER USING HIGH RESOLUTION IMAGERY | Naledzani Mudau, SANSA |
| TOWARDS UNDERSTANDING HUMAN SETTLEMENT GROWTH IN SOUTH AFRICA | Naledzani Mudau, SANSA |

RANGELAND MONITORING 2

Onyx Auditorium

Co-chairs: Abel Ramoelo, CSIR and Peter Scarth, The University of Queensland

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| AN EVALUATION OF SENTINEL-2 BASED LAI AND CANOPY LEAF CHLOROPHYLL PRODUCTS FOR AGRO-ECOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS | Clement Adjorlolo, SANSA |
| RETRIEVAL AND VALIDATION OF GRASS TRAITS USING SENTINEL- 2 | Moses Cho, CSIR |
| GLOBAL MONITORING OF RANGELAND AND PASTURE PRODUCTIVITY WITHIN THE GEOGLAM INITIATIVE (RAPP) | Alex Held, CSIRO |
| ASSESSING THE ACCURACY OF NON-PARAMETRIC INVERSION OF RADIATIVE TRANSFER MODELS FOR ESTIMATING LEAF AREA INDEX OF AFRICAN RANGELAND USING LANDSAT 8 OLI DATA | Cecilia Masemola, CSIR |
| MANAGEMENT EFFECTS ON GROUND COVER "CLUMPINESS": SCALING FROM FIELD TO SENTINEL-2 COVER ESTIMATE | S Peter Scarth, The University of Queensland |
| DEVELOPING AND TESTING A RANGELAND MONITORING SYSTEM WITH NAMIRIAN FARMERS | Cornelis van der Waal Agri-Ecological Services |

15:00 - 15:30 | REFRESHMENT BREAK

15:30 - 17:00

FUTURE MISSIONS

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Lerato Dube, Department of Science & Technology and Hilcea Ferreira, INPE

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THE COPERNICUS SPACE SEGMENT IS GROWN-UP: STATUS AND FUTURE | Ivan Petiteville, ESA |
| RECENT RESULTS OF THE FIREBIRD MISSION | Eckehard Lorenz, DLR |
| NSIGHT-1: A 2U EARTH OBSERVATION NANOSAT IN THE QB50 CONSTELLATION | Francois Malan, SCS Aerospace Group |
| PERSPECTIVES INTO EO-SAT1 SATELLITE SENSOR SPECIFICATIONS: A REVIEW OF THE OPPORTUNITIES AND TRADE- OFFS IN THE DESIGN PROCESS | Willard Mapurisa, SANSA |
| FUTURE NANOSATELLITE-BASED EARTH OBSERVATION - A NOVEL FIRESAT MISSION | Robert van Zyl, Cape Peninsula University of Technology |
| CURRENT STATUS OF HYPERSPECTRAL IMAGER SUITE (HISUI) ONBOARD INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION (ISS) | Tsuneo Matsunaga, National Institute for Environmental Studies |

WILDFIRE 1

Amber Room 1

Co-chairs: Philip Frost, CSIR and Amber Soja, NASA

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| VIIRS ACTIVE FIRE DATA TO SUPPORT REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS | Ivan Csiszar, NOAA STAR |
| MULTI-SATELLITE OBSERVATION OF AFRICAN FIRES AND CHARACTERIZATION OF BURNING PATTERNS | Charles Ichoku, NASA |
| POTENTIAL OF SENTINEL-1 C-BAND FOR RETRIEVING FIRE SCAR IN DECIDUOUS SOUTHERN AFRICAN SAVANNAHS | Renaud Mathieu, CSIR |
| TOWARDS PROTOTYPING A GLOBAL LANDSAT-8 SENTINEL-2 BURNED AREA PRODUCT | David Roy, South Dakota State University |
| THE EFFECT OF FIRE ON VEGETATION DYNAMICS OBSERVED THROUGH MULTIPLE REMOTE SENSING SENSOR SYSTEMS AND VEGETATION INDICES | Thomas Christiansen, The University of Texas at Austin |

ECOLOGY & CONSERVATION 1

Amethyst Room

Co-chairs: Helen Margaret De Klerk, Stellenbosch University and Marc Paganini, ESA

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| SATELLITE DRIVEN DISTRIBUTION MODELS OF ENDANGERED ATLANTIC STURGEON OCCURRENCE IN THE WESTERN MID-ATLANTIC TO REDUCE HARMFUL INTERACTIONS | Matthew Breece, University of Delaware |
| HABITAT VALUES AND PRESSURE INDICATORS FOR PROTECTED AREAS - AN INTEGRATED HABITAT AND LAND COVER CHANGE APPROACH | Andreas Brink, European Commission |
| REMOTE SENSING TRAINING IN AFRICAN CONSERVATION AND ECOLOGY | Helen De Klerk, Stellenbosch University |
| MONITORING OF HUMAN PRESENCE AND EXPANSION IN THE SAHELO-SAHARAN ZONE – A CASE STUDY FOR NIGER BASED ON MULTI-SENSOR EARTH OBSERVATION | Thomas Esch, DLR |
| HABITAT USE OF MIGRATORY BIRDS: MOVEMENT ECOLOGY MEETS REMOTE SENSING | Benjamin Leutner, University of Würzburg |
| THE ROLE OF SPACE AGENCIES IN REMOTELY SENSED ESSENTIAL BIODIVERSITY VARIABLES | Marc Paganini, ESA |

MARINE DOMAIN AWARENESS 1

Ruby Auditorium

Co-chairs: Waldo Kleynhans, CSIR and Gordon Staples, MDA

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| OIL POLLUTION IN INDONESIAN WATERS: COMBINING STATISTICAL ANALYSES OF ENVISAT ASAR AND SENTINEL-1A C-SAR DATA WITH NUMERICAL TRACER MODELLING | Martin Gade, Universität Hamburg |
| DEEP LEARNING ARCHITECTURE COMPARISON FOR SHIP DISCRIMINATION IN SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR | Colin Schwegmann, CSIR |
| SMARTER THAN YOUR AVERAGE SENSOR: AIS SENSOR THAT INTELLIGENTLY RE-TRANSMITS MEANINGFUL INFORMATION DERIVED FROM RAW AIS DATA IN NETWORK LIMITED AREAS | Rory Meyer, CSIR |
| SURVEILLANCE OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN EEZ WITH RADARSAT-2 | Gordon Staples, MDA |
| A DEEP LEARNING-BASED METHOD FOR HIGH-ACCURACY DETECTION OF INLAND WATERWAY VESSELS USING HIGH- RESOLUTION OPTICAL IMAGERY | Changjiang Xiao, Wuhan University |

NEXTGEOSS

Emerald Auditorium

Co-chairs: Bente Lilja Bye, BLB and Tendani Lavhengwa, SANSA

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| INTRODUCTION TO THE NEXTGEOSS CONCEPT | Nuno Catarino, DEIMOS |
| CKAN: OPPORTUNITIES & CAPABILITIES FOR EARTH OBSERVATION DATA | Sebastian Moleski, Viderum |
| SEMANTICS AND INTEROPERABILITY WITH CKAN | Joan Maso, CREAF |
| QUALITY OF SERVICE | Gunter Schreier, DLR |
| CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES IN IMPLEMENTING THE DATA REVOLUTION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT | Tim Haigh, EEA |

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS 1

Crystal Room

Co-chairs: Alex Held, CSIRO and Graciela Metternicht, University of New South Wales

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| AN OPEN-SOURCE, MULTI-SCALAR APPROACH FOR MONITORING AND REPORTING ON LAND DEGRADATION | Mariano Gonzalez-Roglich, Conservation International |
| USE OF RADAR AND OPTICAL DATA TO SUPPORT CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE UTILISATION OF MANGROVES | Richard Lucas, University of New South Wales |
| AN OVERVIEW OF OPERATIONAL EARTH OBSERVATIONS DATASETS FOR MONITORING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS IN SOUTH AFRICA | Terence Newby, Agricultural Research Council |
| EARTH OBSERVATION FOR SUPPORTING AND TRACKING PROGRESS OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS: BEST PRACTICE EXAMPLE FROM THE AUSTRALIAN TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEM RESEARCH NETWORK (TERN) | Graciela Metternicht, University of New South Wales |
| USE OF EARTH OBSERVATION DATA FOR PRACTICAL TARGET SETTING AND MONITORING OF PROGRESS TOWARDS | Graciela Metternicht, University of New South Wales |

CROP GROWTH MODELLING 1

Onyx Room

Co-chairs: George Chirima, CSIR and John Richard Otukei, University of Kampala

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THINKING REMOTELY, ACTING LOCALLY - VERYIFYING THE UTILITY OF SENTINEL-2 AND LANDSAT 8 FOR SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL DECISION MANAGEMENT IN KWA-ZULU NATAL | Clement Adjorlolo, SANSA |
| EVIDENZ: EARTH OBSERVATION BASED INFORMATION PRODUCTS FOR DROUGHT RISK REDUCTION AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL | Olena Dubovyk, University of Bonn |
| EVALUATING THE INFLUENCE OF AGROMETEOROLOGICAL PARAMETERS FOR WINTER WHEAT YIELD FORECASTING | Zinhle Mashaba, Agricultural Research Council |
| ESTIMATION OF GRASS NITROGEN CONCENTRATION USING THE INVERSION OF PROSAIL RADIATIVE TRANSFER MODEL – IN THE HETEROGENEOUS SAVANNA ECOSYSTEM – TOWARDS SEASON INDEPENDENT AND REGIONAL APPROACH | Abel Ramoelo, CSIR |

17:00 - 17:10 | TRANSFER TIME

17:10 - 18:40

L-BAND RADIOMETRY AND APPLICATIONS

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Jacqueline Boutin, CNRS and Yann Kerr, CESBIO CNRS

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| MONITORING EXTREME HYDROLOGICAL EVENTS USING L-BAND MICROWAVE: THE CASE OF DROUGHTS AND FLOODS | Ahmad Al Bitar, CESBIO / CNRS |
| SEA SURFACE SALINITY FROM SMOS SATELLITE MISSION: MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS AFTER 7 YEARS IN ORBIT (2010- 2017) | Jacqueline Boutin, LOCEAN |
| SOIL MOISTURE VALIDATION USING IN SITU MEASUREMENTS: THE SMAP APPROACH | Andreas Colliander, California Institute of Technology |
| OPERATIONAL HIGH RESOLUTION SOIL MOISTURE FOR AGRICULTURAL APPLICATIONS | Maria Jose Escorihuela, isardSAT |
| SMOS AND CLIMATE APPLICATIONS | Yann Kerr, CNRS |
| CHARACTERISTICS OF FROZEN SOIL AND SNOW ESTIMATED USING SMOS LEVEL 3 BRIGHTNESS TEMPERATURES | Juha Lemmetyinen, Finnish Meteorological Institute |
| TOWARDS P-BAND PASSIVE MICROWAVE SENSING OF SOIL MOISTURE | Jeffrey Walker, Monash University |

WILDFIRE 2

Amber Room 1

Co-chairs: Ivan Csiszar, NOAA/NESDIS/STAR and Charles Ichoku, NASA

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| A MULTI-TEMPORAL APPROACH TO BURN SCAR DETECTION USING SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR DATA | Jeanine Engelbrecht, CSIR |
| THE USE OF DLR FIREBIRD MISSION DATA FOR HOT SPOT DETECTION AND FIRE CHARACTERIZATION | Doris Klein, DLR |
| ANALYZING FIRE BEHAVIOUR FROM SPACE USING MEDIUM AND HIGH RESOLUTION IR SENSORS | Gernot Rücker, ZEBRIS |
| NASA FIRE SCIENCE AND APPLICATIONS: TECHNOLOGY, SATELLITES, AIRBORNE DATA, AND MODELS | Amber Soja, NASA |
| IMPLEMENTATION OF AN AUTOMATED BURNED AREA MAPPING SYSTEM USING HISTORICAL LANDSAT TM AND ETM+ TIME SERIES DATA IN SOUTH AFRICA | Karen Steenkamp, CSIR |

ECOLOGY & CONSERVATION 2

Amethyst Room

Co-chairs: Moses Cho, CSIR and Andrew Skidmore, University Twente

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| ESTIMATION OF TREE DISTRIBUTION AND CANOPY HEIGHTS IN IFAKARA, TANZANIA USING UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM (UAS) STEREO IMAGERY | lan Asige, RCMRD |
| COMBINING RED SUN-INDUCED CHLOROPHYLL FLUORESCENCE AND VEGETATION INDICES IMPROVES DIURNAL ESTIMATION OF GPP: MODELING AND VALIDATION OVER THE WINTER WHEAT CANOPIES | Linlin Guan, RADI CAS |
| ANALYSIS OF FOREST FRAGMENTATION BY REMOTE SENSING APPLICATION IN NEW CALEDONIA | Morgan Mangeas, IRD |
| UAV-BORNE AND AIRBORNE REMOTE SENSING FOR FOREST HEALTH | Magdalena Smigaj, Newcastle University |
| USING SPATIAL CONTEXT TO INTEGRATE LANDSAT AND SENTINEL-2 DATA FOR FOREST CHANGE MONITORING | Eliakim Hamunyela, Wageningen University and Research |
| TOWARDS BEHAVIOR DEPENDENT SPECIES DISTRIBUTION MODELING | Ruben Remelgado, University of Würzburg |

MARINE DOMAIN AWARENESS 2

Ruby Auditorium

Co-chairs: Waldo Kleynhans, CSIR and Colin Schwegmann, CSIR

| Presentation title THE COASTAL WATERS RESEARCH SYNERGY FRAMEWORK, FOR UNLOCKING OUR POTENTIAL FOR COASTAL INNOVATION GROWTH | Speaker Nuno Catarino, DEIMOS |
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| BILGE DUMPING DISCRIMINATION FEATURES FROM SAR IMAGERY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA OCEANS | Lizwe Wandile Mdakane, CSIR |
| OH BOUY: CLASSIFICATION OF OCEAN VESSELS USING SAR AND HISTORICAL AIS FEATURES | Rory Meyer, CSIR |
| VESSEL DETECTION CAPABILITIES IN VIIRS SATELLITE IMAGERY | Benjamin Lebona, CSIR |

HURRICANES & FLOODS

Emerald Room

Co-chairs: Bruce Chapman, Jet Propulsion Laboratory and Dechlan Pillay, NDMC

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| A RECOVERY OBSERVATORY FOR HURRICANE MATTHEW IMPACT IN HAITI | Steven Hosford, CNES |
| HOW SATELLITE IS USED FOR ESTIMATING RAINFALL FOR THE SOUTH AFRICAN FLASH FLOOD GUIDANCE SYSTEM (SAFFG) AND THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN FLASH GUIDANCE SYSTEM (SARFFG) | Vanetia Phakula, SAWS |
| FLOOD MAPPING AND ANALYSIS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CEOS FLOOD PILOT | Amber Soja, NASA |

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS 2

Crystal Room

Co-chairs: Alex Held, CSIRO and Graciela Metternicht, University of New South Wales

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| AFRIGEOSS INITIATIVE: STRENGTHENING USE OF EARTH OBSERVATIONS AND BRINGING GEOSS TO AFRICA | Andiswa Mlisa, GEO Secretariat |
| WORLD ATLAS OF DESERTIFICATION AND THE CONCEPT OF LAND PRODUCTIVITY DYNAMICS: A CONTRIBUTION TO THE UNCCD'S GLOBAL LAND OUTLOOK | Michael Cherlet, European Commission |
| THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMS OF THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY TO THE REALISATION OF THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT | Marc Paganini, ESA |
| THE GEOSS SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION NEEDS KNOWLEDGE BASE (SEE-IN KB): LINKING THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS TO EARTH OBSERVATIONS, MODELS, AND CAPACITY BUILDING | Hans-Peter Plag, Old Dominion University |
| AMERIGEOSS: PROGRESS AND PRIORITIES FOR EARTH OBSERVATION-INFORMED DECISIONS IN THE AMERICAS | Nancy Searby, NASA |
| DEVELOPING REMOTE SENSING GOOD PRACTICE GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS FOR SUB-INDICATORS OF SDG TARGET 15.3.1: LAND COVER, LAND PRODUCTIVITY AND CARBON STOCKS ABOVE AND BELOW GROUND | Neil Sims, CSIRO |

CROP GROWTH MODELLING 2

Onyx Room

Co-chairs: Clement Adjorlolo, SANSA and Thuy Le Toan, CESBIO CNES

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| CLOUD-BASED AGRICULTURAL SOLUTION: A CASE STUDY OF NEAR REAL-TIME REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL CROP GROWTH INFORMATION OVER DELMAS (MPUMALANGA, SOUTH AFRICA) | Jens Hiestermann, GeoTerra Image |
| HERBACEOUS BIOMASS PRODUCTIVITY DYNAMICS MONITORING AND ITS DRIVERS IN SAHELIAN CROPLANDS AND RANGELANDS TO SUPPORT FOOD SECURITY POLICIES | Louise Leroux, CIRAD |
| VISIBLE AND INFRARED SPECTRAL CHARACTERISATION OF CHINESE CABBAGE (BRASSICA RAPA L. SUBSPECIES CHINENSIS), GROWN UNDER DIFFERENT NITROGEN, POTASSIUM AND PHOSPHORUS CONCENTRATIONS | Bonolo Mokoatsi, University of Johannesburg |
| RAIN FOR AFRICA – DYNAMIC DECISION SUPPORT DATA FOR AGRICULTURALISTS | Terence Newby, Agricultural Research Council |
| MONITORING THE IMPACTS OF EL NIÑO ON THE EXTENT OF CULTIVATED FIELDS USING SAR DATA AROUND THE | Adeline Ngie, University of Johannesburg |

WEDNESDAY, 10 MAY 2017

08:30 - 10:30

PLENARY SESSION 3 | EO FOR GLOBAL CHANGE SCIENCE

Diamond Auditorium

Chair: Konrad Wessels, CSIR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THE CONTRIBUTION OF EARTH OBSERVATION TO GLOBAL CHANGE SCIENCE AND POLICY | Stephen Briggs, ESA |
| GLOBAL SEA LEVEL CHANGE | Johnny Johannessen, NERSC |
| GLOBAL TRENDS IN GREEN LAND COVER | Robert Scholes, University of the Witwatersrand |
| GLOBAL BIOMASS ESTIMATION TO ADDRESS CARBON CYCYLE | Thuy Le Toan, CESBIO CNES |
| NASA'S EARTH OBSERVING MISSIONS AND THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO GLOBAL CHANGE SCIENCE | Jim Adams, NASA (retired) |

10:30 - 11:00 | REFRESHMENT BREAK AND POSTERS Q&A

11:00 - 12:30

EARTH EXPLORER MISSIONS

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Michael Rast, ESA and Per Erik Skrovseth, ICRSE

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| ESA'S EARTH EXPLORER MISSIONS – AN OVERVIEW OF THE RESEARCH SATELLITES OF ESA'S "LIVING PLANET PROGRAMME" | Michael Rast, ESA |
| SOLID EARTH ASPECTS OF ESA'S SWARM MISSION | Andrew Jackson. ETH Zurich |
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| SMOS AFTER 7 YEARS IN ORBIT: LESSONS LEARNED, ACHIEVEMENTS AND WAY FORWARD | Yann Kerr, CESBIO CNRS |
| THE BIOMASS MISSION: QUANTIFYING BIOMASS FOR GLOBAL CARBON ASSESSMENT | Thuy Le Toan, CESBIO CNES |
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| ESA'S FLUORESCENCE EXPLORER (FLEX): MISSION CONCEPT AND SCIENTIFIC GOALS | Uwe Rascher, Forschungszentrum Jülich |
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| POLAR SCIENCE AND OPERATIONAL SERVICES SUPPORTED BY CRYOSAT-2 | Andrew Shepherd, University of Leeds |
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| THE ESA ADM-AEOLUS DOPPLER WIND LIDAR MISSION: CONCEPT, STATUS AND VALIDATION STRATEGY | Pierre Flamant, Institut Pierre Simon Laplace |

GREENHOUSE GAS

Amethyst Room

 $\textbf{\textit{Co-chairs:}} \ \textit{Yana Gevorgyan, NOAA and Pascal Lecomte, ESA}$

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| REMOTE SENSING OF NO2 OVER THE HIGHVELD: COMPARING AIRCRAFT AND SATELLITE PLATFORMS | Stephen Broccardo, North-West University |
| CO2 EMISSIONS FROM FOREST FIRES USING GOSAT DATA | Meng Guo, Northeast Normal University |
| THE GEO CARBON AND GHG INITIATIVE: TOWARD POLICY-RELEVANT GLOBAL CARBON CYCLE OBSERVATION AND ANALYSIS | Jouni Heiskanen, ICOS ERIC Head Office |
| SCIENTIFIC ACHIVEMENTS BY GREENHOUSE GASES OBSERVING SATELLITE (GOSAT) AND FUTURE PROSPECTS FOR GOSAT-2 | Tsuneo Matsunaga, National Institute for Environmental Studies |
| DETECTING AND ANALYZING GAS FLARES USING SENTINEL 3 AND FIREBIRD | Gernot Rücker, ZEBRIS |

EO EDUCATION

Onyx Room

Co-chairs: Hilcea Ferreira, INPE and Daniel Matsapola, SANSA

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| ONLINE REMOTE SENSING EDUCATION: EXPERIENCE AT THE BRAZILIAN NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR SPACE RESEARCH (INPE) | Hilcea Ferreira, INPE |
| CAPACITY BUILDING IN GEOSPATIAL TECHNOLOGY AND ITS APPLICATIONS USING E-LEARNING AND ONLINE | Harish Chandra Karnatak, Indian Institute of Remote Sensing |
| INTERACTIVE MODE OF CONTENTS DELIVERY IN INDIA | |
| ONLINE REMOTE SENSING TRAINING IN NORTH AND WESTERN AFRICA: A LEADING EXPERIENCE OF CASABLANCA | Noureddine Filali Boubrahmi, Météo Maroc |
| VLAB CENTRE OF EXCELLENCY | Modredance Filan Boddramm, Weteo Waroc |
| IMPROVING SATELLITE SKILLS USING BLENDED LEARNING | José Prieto, EUMETSAT |
| SAR-EDU - THE EDUCATION PORTAL FOR RADAR REMOTE SENSING | Christiane Schmullius, Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena |

12:30 - 13:30 | LUNCH

13:30 - 15:00

CLIMATE IMPACTS ON SOCIETY - COP 21 OUTCOMES: PROGRAMMATIC

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Pascal Lecomte, ESA and Jean Noel Thepaut, ECMWF

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| Barbara Ryan | GEO Secretariat |
| Stephen Volz | NOAA |
| Stephen Briggs | ESA |
| Jonathon Ross | Geoscience Australia |
| EC FARTH ORSERVATION R&I ACTIONS TO GEO IN THE DOMAIN OF CLIMATE CHANGE | Giles Ollier, European Comission |

WETLANDS MONITORING 1

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Co-chairs: Max Finlayson, Institute for Land, Water & Society and Ake Rosenqvist, soloEC

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| WETLAND MAPPING, INVENTORY AND ASSESSMENT IN THE CONTEXT OF THE SDGS | Lisa-Maria Rebelo, International Water Management Institute |
| DO WE HAVE ADEQUATE EARTH OBSERVATION SENSORS FOR DETECTING AND MONITORING THE SPATIAL EXTENT OF FRESHWATER ECOSYSTEMS? | Heidi Van Deventer, CSIR |
| GEO-WETLANDS: COLLABORATIVE DEVELOPMENT OF A GLOBAL WETLANDS OBSERVATION SYSTEM | Adrian Strauch, University of Bonn |
| THE JAXA KYOTO AND CARBON (K&C) INITIATIVE GLOBAL MANGROVE WATCH (GMW) | Richard Lucas, University of New South Wales |
| IMPLEMENTING EO-BASED WETLAND MONITORING IN AFRICA: THE GLOBWETLAND AFRICA PROJECT | Marc Paganini, ESA |
| DEMO-WETLANDS: COPERNICUS-BASED DETECTION AND MONITORING OF TROPICAL WETLANDS IN RWANDA | Konrad Hentze, DeMo Wetlands Project |

LAND COVER MONITORING 1

Amethyst Room

Co-chairs: Agnes Begue, CIRAD and Adriaan van Niekerk, Stellenbosch University

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| LESOTHO LAND COVER DATABASE (2015) | John Stephenson Latham, FAO |
| MONITORING MINING INDUCED LAND USE AND LAND COVER CHANGES IN EMALAHLENI MUNICIPALITY, SOUTH AFRICA USING REMOTE SENSING | Clement Adjorlolo, SANSA |
| SPATIOTEMPORAL ANALYSIS OF URBAN LAND COVER CHANGE IN KIGALI, RWANDA USING MULTITEMPORAL LANDSAT IMAGERY AND LANDSCAPE METRICS | Theodomir Mugiraneza, KTH Royal Institute of Technology |
| HIGH RESOLUTION LANDCOVER MODELLING WITH PLEIADES IMAGERY AND DEM DATA IN SUPPORT OF FINE SCALE LANDSCAPE THERMAL MODELLING | Mark Thompson, GeoTerra Image |
| INVESTIGATING SAMPLING METHODS FOR VALIDATING LAND COVER PRODUCTS | Sibonelo Dlamini, National Geo-spatial Information |

MARINE & COASTAL ENVIRONMENT 1

Ruby Auditorium

Co-chairs: Arnold Dekker, CSIRO and Christo Whittle, CSIR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| USING LIDAR DERIVATIVES TO ESTIMATE SEDIMENT GRAIN SIZE ON BEACHES IN FALSE BAY | James Burns, CSIR |
| A NEW SAR CLASSIFICATION SCHEME FOR SEDIMENTS ON INTERTIDAL FLATS BASED ON MULTI-FREQUENCY POLARIMETRIC SAR IMAGERY | Martin Gade, Universität Hamburg |
| MONITORING COASTAL STORM EROSION AND RECOVERY USING SATELLITE IMAGES | Qingxiang Liu, University of New South Wales |
| ASSESSMENT OF COASTAL VEGETATION INTACTNESS IN FALSE BAY, SOUTH AFRICA, USING WV-2 IMAGERY | Melanie Lück-Vogel, CSIR |
| GEARING UP FOR SENTINEL-3: QUANTITATIVE VALIDATION FOR WATER RESOURCES PROTECTION | Mark Matthews, CyanoLakes |

TIGER

Emerald Auditorium

Co-chairs: Benjamin Koetz, ESA and Paida Mangara, SANSA

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| EARTH OBSERVATION IN SUPPORT OF SUSTAINABLE WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, THE TIGER INITIATIVE – LOOKING AFTER WATER FOR AGRICULTURE IN AFRICA | Benjamin Koetz, ESA |
| ASSESSMENT OF CLIMATE EFFECT ON CROP WATER PRODUCTIVITY USING LANDSAT AND SENTINEL DATA | Nadia Akdim, Chouaib Doukkali University |
| EXPLORING THE JOINT POTENTIAL OF SENTINEL 2 AND 3 IN MONITORING WATER USE AND STRESS IN AFRICAN SAVANNA ECOSYSTEMS: A CASE OF THE KRUGER NATIONAL PARK, SOUTH AFRICA | Timothy Dube, University of Limpopo |
| APPLICATION OF SENTINEL DATA TO IMPROVE THE WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT OF RWANDA | Benjamin Bukombe, Szent Istvan University |
| SATELLITE BASED MONITORING OF INTRA-ANNUAL RESERVOIR STORAGE VOLUMES AND IT'S IMPLICATIONS FOR WATER AND FOOD SECURITY: A CASE STUDY OF LAKE BAM IN BURKINA FASO | Gerald Forkuor, WASCAL |
| MAPPING SOIL MOISTLIRE CONTENT LISING SENSTINEL-1 AND SENTINEL-2: CASE STUDIES FROM KENYA | Felix Greifeneder, FURAC Research |

GEOSS DATA SHARING IN AFRICA

Crystal Room

Co-chairs: Simon Hodson, CODATA and Steven Ramage, GEO Secretariat

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THE GEOSS DATA SHARING PRINCIPLES FOR DETECTING FOREST COVER CHANGE | Steven Ramage, GEO Secretariat |
| IMPLEMENTING THE GROUP ON EARTH OBSERVATIONS DATA MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES: LESSONS FROM A | Robert Downs, Columbia University |
| SCIENTIFIC DATA CENTER | Robert Downs, Columbia Oniversity |
| DATA SHARING PRINCIPLES AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF AFRICAN DATA STRATEGIES | Simon Hodson, CODATA |
| LEVERAGE THE GOVERNMENTAL OPEN DATA INITIATIVES: STATUS IN AFRICA | Obwaya Mogire, South Eastern Kenya University |
| UNIVERSAL AND UNIFIED REQUIREMENTS FOR CORE CERTIFICATION OF TRUSTWORTHY DATA REPOSITORIES | Mustapha Mokrane, ICSU World Data System |
| AFRICAN TEMPORAL GEO-SPATIAL DATA, APPRAISE THE PAST TO EVALUATE PLANS FOR THE FUTURE | Rolf Becker, GeoDyn Technology |
| TOWARDS A NATIONAL OCEANS AND COASTAL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR SOUTH AFRICA: SYSTEM SPECIFICATION AND DESIGN METHODOLOGY | Bryan McAlister, CSIR |

GEO USER NEEDS AND OBSERVATION REQUIREMENTS

Onyx Room

Co-chairs: Craig Larlee, GEO Secretariat and Andiswa Mlisa, Group on Earth Observations (GEO)

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| A PROPOSED APPROACH TO IMPLEMENT THE GEO USER NEEDS AND GAP ANALYSIS PROCESS | Andiswa Mlisa, GEO Secretariat |
| USER NEEDS AND GAP ANALYSIS: FROM A USER REQUIREMENTS REGISTRY TO A GEOSS KNOWLEDGE BASE LINKING USERS TO KNOWLEDGE | Hans-Peter Plag, Old Dominion University |
| CONNECTINGEO GAP ANALYSIS METHODOLOGY AND RESULTS IN THE GEOSS IN-SITU DATASETS | Joan Maso, CREAF |
| GEO'S SOCIETAL BENEFIT AREA "ENERGY AND MINERAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT": ACHIEVEMENTS AND FUTURE ACTIVITIES | André Obregón, GEO Secretariat |
| MANAGING THE CHALLENGES OF NEW ACTORS IN SPACE | Krystal Wilson, Secure World Foundation |

15:00 - 15:30 | REFRESHMENT BREAK AND POSTERS Q&A

15:30 - 17:00

CLIMATE IMPACTS ON SOCIETY - COP 21 OUTCOMES: IMPLEMENTATION

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Jane Olwoch, SASSCAL and Michael Rast, ESA

Participants

| CLIMATE CHANGE AND AIR QUALITY | Cathy Clerbaux, LATMOS |
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| INTEGRATED OBSERVATIONAL NEEDS IN SUPPORT OF THE RIO CONVENTION | Robert Scholes, University of the Witwatersrand |
| Jane Olwoch | SASSCAL |
| Michael Rast | ESA |

WETLANDS MONITORING 2

Amber Room 1

Co-chairs: Richard Lucas, University of New South Wales and Lisa-Maria Rebelo, International Water Management Institute

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| DECADAL CYCLIC CHANGES IN MANGROVES IN AUSTRALIA'S ICONIC KAKADU NATIONAL PARK INFORM FUTURE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE | Max Finlayson, Institute for Land, Water & Society |
| A MULTI SCALE REMOTE SENSING APPROACH FOR MONITORING AND ASSESSING ECOSYSTEM REHABILITATION OF MINE SITES | Renee Bartolo, Department of the Environment and Energy - ERISS |
| MULTI-SCALE REMOTE SENSING OF MANGROVE STRUCTURE, BIOMASS AND TOTAL CARBON STOCKS FROM INSAR, HIGH RESOLUTION STEREO AND AIRBORNE LIDAR DATA | Richard Lucas, University of New South Wales |
| THE EXTENT OF MANGROVE CHANGE AND POTENTIAL FOR RECOVERY FOLLOWING CYCLONE YASI AT HINCHINBROOK ISLAND, QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA | Richard Lucas, University of New South Wales |
| MONITORING INUNDATION DYNAMICS WITH THE NASA-ISRO SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR (NISAR) | Bruce Chapman, Jet Propulsion Laboratory |

LAND COVER MONITORING 2

Amethyst Room

Co-chairs: John Stephenson Latham, FAO and Konrad Wessels, CSIR

| Presentation title COMPLEXITIES OF MULTI-TEMPORAL REMOTE SENSING IN STRONGLY SEASONAL ENVIRONMENTS AND THE NEED | Speaker (Class County University of Taxon |
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| FOR SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS OF SERIES DEPTH AND IMAGE SPACING | Kelley Crews, University of Texas |
| THE APPLICATION OF INTEGRATED TOPOGRAPHIC DATA FOR LAND USE MAPPING: A CASE STUDY OF EDEN DISTRICT SOUTH AFRICA | ' Luncedo Ngcofe, Department of Rural Development & Land Reform |
| FINITE MIXTURE MODELS FOR SUB-PIXEL COASTAL LAND COVER CLASSIFICATION | Michaela Ritchie, CSIR |
| MAPPING PRIMATE HABITAT AND OIL PALM PLANTATIONS USING LANDSAT OLI IMAGERY AUGMENTED WITH UNMANNED AUTONOMOUS SYSTEM PHOTOGRAPHY | Zoltan Szantoi, European Commission |
| PROVING THE CAPABILITY FOR LARGE SCALE REGIONAL LAND-COVER DATA PRODUCTION BY SELF-FUNDED COMMERCIAL OPERATORS | Mark Thompson, GeoTerra Image |
| FROM SATELLITE IMAGES TO AGRICULTURAL SYSTEMS MAPS: A REMOTE SENSING MULTI-LEVEL OBJECT BASED APPROACH | Agnes Begue, CIRAD |

MARINE & COASTAL ENVIRONMENT 2

Ruby Auditorium

Co-chairs: Douglas Cripe, GEO Secretariat and Melanie Lück-Vogel, CSIR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THE GEO BLUE PLANET INITIATIVE: OCEAN AND COASTAL OBSERVATIONS FOR SOCIETAL BENEFIT | Douglas Cripe, GEO Secretariat |
| MAPPING COASTAL AQUACULTURE PONDS IN ASIAN HOTSPOTS WITH HIGH SPATIAL RESOLUTION SENTINEI SAR DATA | L-1A/B Marco Ottinger, University of Würzburg |
| DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL SEA SURFACE TEMPERATURE AND OCEAN COLOUR MODIS PRODUCTS FOR ECOSYSTEM MONITORING OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN WEST AND SOUTH COAST SHELF SEAS | Christo Whittle, CSIR |

PUBLIC HEALTH 1

Emerald Auditorium

Co-chairs: Tiaan de Jager, University of Pretoria and Cécile Vignolles, CNES

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| CONTRIBUTION OF REMOTE SENSING TO THE BRAZILIAN CLIMATE AND HEALTH OBSERVATORY | Christovam Barcellos, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation |
| A PILOT STUDY TO DELIMITATE TSETSE TARGET POPULATIONS IN ZIMBABWE | Gerald Chikowore, Depaertment of Veterinary Sciences |
| FORECASTING THE EXCESS OF MALARIA CASES, MALI 2015 | Jean Gaudart, Aix-Marseille University |
| REMOTE SENSING-BASED TIME SERIES MODELS FOR MALARIA EARLY WARNING IN MADAGASCAR | Florian Girond, Elimination 8 |
| CONTRIBUTION OF HIGH SPATIAL RESOLUTION SATELLITE IMAGERY FOR ACCURATE ECOLOGICAL MODELING OF THE VECTORS OF ZOONOSES: PRESENTATION OF RODENT STUDIES IN THE INDIAN OCEAN | Vincent Herbreteau, IRD |
| ASSESSMENT OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE ABUNDANCE OF MOSQUITO-BORNE DISEASES' VECTORS AND MICROCLIMATIC INDICATORS DERIVED FROM EARTH OBSERVATION IMAGES | Serge Olivier Kotchi, Public Health Agency of Canada |

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY IN AFRICA

Onyx Room

Co-chairs: Tobias Landmann, ICIPE and John Odindi, University of KwaZulu-Natal

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THE POSSIBILITY OF USING 5-METER RAPIDEYE DATA FOR MONITORING MAIZE PLANTS INFESTED BY STEM BORER | Elfatih Mohamed Abdel-Rahman, ICIPE |
| MODELLING COFFEE (COFFEEA ARABICA) CROP CONDITION IN HETEROGENEOUS AGRICULTURAL LANDSCAPES USING AN INTEGRATED HIERARCHICAL MULTISENSORY APPROACH | Abel Chemura, University of Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| ADVANCING SATELLITE-BASED PHENOLOGY MONITORING: A CASE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA | Olena Dubovyk, University of Bonn |
| REMOTE SENSING BASED CROP YIELD ESTIMATION: TOWARDS IMPROVING INFORMATION AND DECISION MAKING IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES | Gerald Forkuor, WASCAL |
| GEOSPATIAL APPROACH FOR DELINEATING EXTRAPOLATION DOMAINS FOR SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL INTENSIFICATION TECHNOLOGIES | Francis Muthoni, IITA |
| TRACKING FARM MANAGEMENT PRACTICES WITH REMOTE SENSING | Jacobus Stals, GeoTerra Image |

19:00 - 23:00 | SYMPOSIUM BANQUET

THURSDAY, 11 MAY 2017

08:30 - 10:30

PLENARY SESSION 4 | THE AFRICAN SPACE PROGRAM

Diamond Auditorium

Chair: to be confirmed

| Presentation title | Speaker | |
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| SOUTH AFRICAN SPACE AGENCY | Val Munsami | |
| NATIONAL AUTHORITY FOR REMOTE SENSING & SPACE SCIENCES | Islam Abou El-Magd | |
| AFRICAN UNION COMMISSION | Hamgani Masheleni | |
| DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY | Andiswa Mlisa | |
| GMFS AND AFRICA | Tidiane Quattara | |

10:30 - 11:00 | REFRESHMENT BREAK AND POSTERS Q&A

11:00 - 12:30

SPACEBORNE SPECTROSCOPY

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Andreas Müller, DLR and Godela Rossner, DLR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THE HYPERSPECTRAL SENSOR DESIS ON MUSES: PROCESSING AND APPLICATIONS | Daniele Cerra, DLR |
| THE CEOS FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR AN AQUATIC ECOSYSTEM IMAGING SPECTROMETER | Arnold Dekker, CSIRO |
| THE GERMAN HYPERSPECTRAL ENVIRONMENTAL MAPPING AND ANALYSIS PROGRAM (ENMAP). CURRENT STATUS AND APPLICATION EXAMPLES FOR THE GEOSCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY | Christian Mielke, Helmholtz-Centre Potsdam - GFZ German Research Centre for Geoscience |
| IMAGING SPECTROSCOPY OF FORESTED ENVIRONMENTS: A 20 YEAR PERSPECTIVE | K. Olaf Niemann, University of Victoria |
| ESSENTIAL BIODIVERSITY VARIABLES MEASURED BY IMAGING SPECTROMETERS – EXAMPLES FROM THE KRUGER PARK AREA | Andrew Skidmore, University Twente |

GLOBAL FOREST OBSERVATION INITIATIVE 1

Amber Room 1

 $\textbf{\textit{Co-chairs:}} \ \textit{Ake Rosenqvist, soloEO} \ \textit{and Christophe Sannier, SIRS SAS}$

| Presentation title THE GLOBAL FOREST OBSERVATIONS INITIATIVE IN SUPPORT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SETTING-UP THEIR NATIONAL FOREST MONITORING SYSTEM | Speaker Ake Rosenqvist, soloEO |
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| NATIONAL SATELLITE MONITORING SYSTEMS FOR REDD+: THE FAO APPROACH | Inge Jonckheere, FAO |
| NATIONAL FOREST MONITORING IN AFRICAN COUNTRIES FOR REDD+: CAMEROON AND MALAWI | Fabian Enssle, GAF AG |
| VALIDATION OF SAR-BASED LAND COVER AND LAND COVER CHANGE MAPS AND DETECTABILITY OF SLASH-AND- BURN ACTIVITIES IN THE KWAMOUTH REGION, MAI-NDOMBE DISTRICT, DRC | Jörg Haarpaintner, Norut - Northern Research Insitute |
| LANDSAT TIME SERIES ANALYSIS – THE IMPACT OF FOREST ECOSYSTEM HISTORY ON BIODIVERSITY | Wanda Graf, University of Goettingen |

LAND COVER MONITORING 3

Amethyst Room

Co-chairs: Pierre Defourny, UCLouvain-Geomatics and Bulelwa Semoli, Rural Development and Land Reform

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THE EAGLE CONCEPT – FRAMEWORK FOR A PARADIGM SHIFT IN LAND MONITORING | Michael Bock, DLR |
| LTHE DYNAMIC GLOBAL LAND COVER LAYER AT 100M RESOLUTION FROM COPERNICUS GLOBAL LAND | Marcel Buchhorn, VITO |
| USING MACHINE LEARNING AND GEOBIA FOR THE AUTOMATION OF LAND COVER CLASSIFICATION WITH A TIME SERIES OF LANDSAT AND SENTINEL 2 DATA | Wolfgang Lueck, PCI Geomatics |
| LACO-WIKI: AN ONLINE TOOL FOR LAND COVER VALIDATION AND AREA ESTIMATION | Linda See, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis |
| IMPROVING LAND COVER/LAND USE SUPERVISED CLASSIFICATION WITH THE ADDITION OF TOPOGRAPHIC DATA OVER TSHWANE, PRETORIA | Pryaska Veramoothea, CSIR |

OCEAN DYNAMICS

Ruby Auditorium

Co-chairs: Johnny Johannessen, NERSC and Mathieu Rouault, Nansen-Tutu Centre for Marine Environmental Research

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| WAVE TRANSFORMATION ON OCEAN CURRENTS | Bertrand Chapron, IFREMER |
| USING THE GLOBCURRENT DATA PORTAL FOR MONITORING AND STUDYING MESOSCALE PROCESSES AND VARIABILITY | Johnny A. Johannessen, NERSC |
| EXTRACTION OF COASTAL OCEAN WAVE CHARACTERISTICS USING REMOTE SENSING AND COMPUTER VISION TECHNOLOGIES | Michael Johnson, Stellenbosch University |
| OBSERVING SURFACE CIRCULATION OF THE WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN BASIN WITH SATELLITE IMAGERY | Svetlana Karimova, University of Liege |
| WIND CHANGES ABOVE WARM AGULHAS CURRENT EDDIES | Mathieu Rouault, Nansen-Tutu Centre for Marine Environmental Research |
| THE EFFECT OF THE AGULHAS CURRENT ON ADVANCED SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR DERIVED WIND FIELDS | Mathieu Rouault, Nansen-Tutu Centre for Marine Environmental Research |

PUBLIC HEALTH 2

Emerald Auditorium

Co-chairs: Vincent Herbreteau, IRD and Jane Olwoch, SASSCAL

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| MODELLED HABITAT SUITABILITY OF A MALARIA CAUSING VECTOR (ANOPHELES ARABIENSIS) RELATES WELL WITH HUMAN MALARIA INCIDENCES IN ZIMBABWE | Isaiah Gwitira, University of Zimbabwe |
| INFLUENCE OF ENVIRONMENT ON THE SPATIAL VARIABILITY OF DENGUE OUTBREAKS AT DIFFERENT SCALES IN SOUTH PACIFIC AND NEW-CALEDONIA | Morgan Mangeas, IRD |
| MALARIA RISK ASSESSMENT THROUGH REMOTE SENSING AND MULTI-CRITERIA EVALUATION IN CENTRAL HIGHLANDS OF MADAGASCAR | Hobiniaina Anthonio Rakotoarison, Institut Pasteur de Madagascar |
| CONTRIBUTION OF REMOTE SENSING FOR MONITORING AND INVESTIGATING VECTOR-BORNE DISEASES IN CROSS-BORDER CONTEXTS - APPLICATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL BORDERS OF THE BRAZILIAN AMAZON | Emmanuel Roux, IRD |
| SPATIAL MODELING OF MOSQUITO POPULATION DYNAMICS: AN OPERATIONAL TOOL FOR THE SURVEILLANCE OF VECTOR-BORNE DISEASES | Annelise Tran, CIRAD |
| CNES ACTIVITIES IN TELE-EPIDEMIOLOGY | Cécile Vignolles, CNES |

SCIENCE ACCESS TO EO DATA

Crystal Room

 $\textbf{\textit{Co-chairs:}} \ \textit{Steven Hosford, CNES and Imraan Saloojee, SANSA}$

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| ACCESS TO TERRASAR-X AND TANDEM-X MISSION DATA FOR SCIENCE | Michael Bock, DLR |
| ESA'S EARTHNET PROGRAM, IN VIEW OF EO INNOVATION EUROPE - ENABLING FREE SCIENCE ACCESS TO EARTH OBSERVATION DATA | Simon Petiteville, ESA |
| FRENCH SPACE AGENCY PROGRAMMES FOR ACCESS TO PLEIADES AND SPOT 1-5 FOR SCIENCE | Steven Hosford, CNES |
| THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL SPACE AGENCY ENABLING ACCESS TO COMMERCIAL EO DATA | Imraan Saloojee, SANSA |
| PROGRAMS FOR ACCESS COSMO-SKYMED DATA FOR SCIENCE | Simona Zoffoli, Italian Space Agency |
| PROGRESS ON INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION OF SATELLITE FARTH ORSERVATIONS | Ionathon Ross, Geoscience Australia |

GEOGLAM 1

Onyx Room

Co-chairs: Michel Deshayes, GEO Secretariat and Andries Potgieter, University of Queensland

| Presentation title THE GEOGLAM CROP MONITOR FOR EARLY WARNING: STRENGTHENING AGRICULTURAL DECISIONS IN COUNTRIES AT RISK OF FOOD INSECURITY | Speaker Tamuka Magadzire, FEWS NET |
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| THE EUROPEAN MARS CROP YIELD FORECASTING AND MONITORING SYSTEMS - CONTRIBUTIONS TO GEOGLAM | Bettina Baruth, European Commission |
| GEOGLAM, THE CANADIAN EXPERIENCE: FROM RESEARCH TO OPERATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION OF AGRICULTURAL MONITORING | lan Jarvis, Agriculture Canada |
| CROP MONITORING FOR FOOD SECURITY EARLY WARNING USING FEWS NET PROCESSES, TOOLS AND EARTH OBSERVATION DATASETS | Tamuka Magadzire, FEWS NET |
| BEYOND CROP PRODUCTION ESTIMATES: INTEGRATED CLIMATE, BIOPHYSICAL AND REMOTE SENSING APPROACHES | Andries Potgieter, University of Queensland |
| CLOUD BASED CROPWATCH:GLOBAL REMOTE SENSING MONITORING ONLINE SYSTEM | Hongwei Zeng, RADI CAS |

12:30 - 13:30 | LUNCH

13:30 - 15:00

NEXT-GENERATION SAR MISSIONS

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Bruce Chapman, Jet Propulsion Laboratory and Ake Rosenqvist, soloEO

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| NEXT-GENERATION SAR MISSIONS - RELEVANCE TO GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONVENTIONS | Ake Rosenqvist, soloEO |
| THE ESA EARTH EXPLORER BIOMASS MISSION | Thuy Le Toan, CESBIO CNES |
| ALOS-2 AND ITS FOLLOW-ON SATELLITE | Masato Hayashi, Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency |
| THE NASA-ISRO SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR (NISAR) MISSION | Bruce Chapman, Jet Propulsion Laboratory |
| SAOCOM MISSION OVERVIEW | Carlos Daniel Caruso, CONAE |
| RADARSAT CONSTELLATION MISSION | Steve Iris, CSA |

THE HIGH RESOLUTION WIDE-SWATH MISSION AND WORLDSAR. THE NEXT GENERATION OF X-BAND SAR SERVICES Juergen Janoth, Airbus Defence and Space

GLOBAL FOREST OBSERVATION INITIATIVE 2

Amber Room 1

Co-chairs: Alex Held, CSIRO and Helmut Staudenrausch, DLR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| NEAR REAL-TIME FOREST DISTURBANCE DETECTION USING SENTINEL-1 TIME SERIES | Stéphane Mermoz, CESBIO CNES |
| PROGRESS ON NEAR-REAL TIME FOREST DISTURBANCE MONITORING IN GABON FROM 2015 TO 2016 USING A COMBINATION OF LANDSAT AND SENTINEL 2 IMAGERY | Christophe Sannier, SIRS SAS |
| ASSESSING FOREST COVER DYNAMICS AND ECOSYSTEM SERVICES PERCEPTION IN THE ATLANTIC FOREST OF PARAGUAY; COMBINING REMOTE SENSING AND HOUSEHOLD LEVEL DATA | Emmanuel Da Ponte Canova, Kiel University |
| FOREST AND FOREST LOSS MAPPING WITH SAR FROM THE ENVISAT/ALOS ERA TO THE SENTINEL-1/ALOS-2 PRESENT IN THE MAI-NDOMBE DISTRICT, DRC | Jörg Haarpaintner, Norut - Northern Research Institute |

LAND COVER MONITORING 4

Amethyst Room

Co-chairs: Nicky Knox, Namibia University of Science and Technology and Laven Naidoo, CSIR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| THE COPERNICUS GLOBAL LAND HIGH RESOLUTION HOT SPOT MONITORING PROGRAM - PROVIDING LAND COVER INFORMATION FOR PROTECTED AREAS AND BEYOND | Andreas Brink, European Commission |
| ANNUAL GLOBAL LAND COVER MAPS FROM THE 1990S TO 2015 FOR CLIMATE MODELLING: THE LAND COVER COMPONENT OF THE ESA CLIMATE CHANGE INITIATIVE | Pierre Defourny, UCLouvain-Geomatics |
| DEVELOPING A GLOBAL ONLINE TOOL TO SUPPORT GLOBAL FOREST AND NATURAL RESOURCES ASSESSMENT: COLLECT EARTH ONLINE TOOL | Pheobe Odour, RCMRD/SERVIR |
| AFRICA LAND COVER MAPPING AT 10 M WITH SENTINEL-2: CURRENT ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE LAND COVER COMPONENT OF THE ESA CLIMATE CHANGE INITIATIVE | Céline Lamarche, UCLouvain-Geomatics |
| RIGOROUS COMPARISON OF DIVERSE CLASSIFICATION ALGORITHMS: THE ACMAC PROJECT REVISITED | Rick Lawrence, Montana State University |
| ENABLING ANNUAL LAND COVER MAPPING ACROSS EAST AFRICA | Phoebe Oduor, RCMRD |

SAVANNAHS & WOODLANDS 1

Ruby Auditorium

Co-chairs: Richard Lucas, University of New South Wales and Renaud Mathieu, CSIR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| REMOTE SENSING OF SAVANNA WOODLANDS AT MULTIPLE SCALES: AN AUSTRALIAN EXAMPLE | Richard Lucas, University of New South Wales |
| ADAPTIVE CANOPY HEIGHT MODEL PROCESSING OF LIDAR DATA FOR ESTIMATING FRACTIONAL CANOPY COVER IN SAVANNAS | Frans van den Bergh, CSIR |
| HIGH-RESOLUTION RGB-ONLY IMAGERY WITH OBJECT-BASED IMAGE ANALYSIS IS SUITABLE FOR ESTIMATING CROWN AREA AND ABOVEGROUND BIOMASS IN MIOMBO WOODLANDS | Paradzayi Tagwireyi, University of Zimbabwe |
| MAPPING AND MONITORING WOODY VEGETATION COVER FOR NAMIBIA USING LIDAR TRAINING DATA, MACHINE LEARNING AND ALOS PALSAR DATA | Konrad Wessels, CSIR |
| AN ABOVE-GROUND BIOMASS MAP OF AFRICAN SAVANNAHS AND WOODLANDS AT 25 METERS RESOLUTION DERIVED FROM ALOS PALSAR | Alexandre Bouvet, CESBIO |
| WOODY RESOURCE PATTERNS AND LAND MANAGEMENT IN THE SOUTH AFRICAN LOWVELD WITH L-BAND SAR AND LIDAR IMAGERY | Renaud Mathieu, CSIR |

BIG EO DATA IN THE CLOUD 1

Emerald Auditorium

Co-chairs: Jonathon Ross, Geoscience Australia and Wolfgang Wagner, Technical University of Wien

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| GEOSHARING ON CONNECTED PLATFORMS – SIMPLIFYING AND ENHANCING THE UTILISATION OF EO DATA FOR EXPERTS AND NON REMOTE SENSING SPECIALISTS | Ursula Benz, CloudEO AG |
| EARTH OBSERVATION ANALYSIS WITH SAP HANA | Hinnerk Gildhoff, SAP SE |
| TERRADUE CLOUD PLATFORM - ADVANCING EARTH SCIENCE COLLABORATIVELY | Pedro Gonçalves, Terradue |
| EXPLOITATION PLATFORMS IN THE EUROPEAN EARTH OBSERVATION PAYLOAD DATA GROUND SEGMENT | Sveinung Loekken, ESA |
| SENTINEL HUB - NEXT GENERATION PLATFORM FOR SATELLITE IMAGERY APPLICATIONS | Grega Milcinski, Sinergise |
| FOG COMPUTING PERSPECTIVES IN CONNECTION WITH THE CURRENT GEOSPATIAL STANDARDS | Evgeny Panidi, St Petersburg State University |

AUTONOMOUS AERIAL VEHICLES

Crystal Room

 $\textbf{\textit{Co-chairs:}} \ \textit{Vincent Ambrosia, NASA / CSUMB and Karen Joyce, James Cook University}$

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| AN OPERATIONAL RPAS PROGRAM FOR ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING IN NORTHERN AUSTRALIA | Renee Bartolo, Department of the Environment and Energy - ERISS |
| FLUID LENSING & APPLICATIONS TO REMOTE SENSING OF AQUATIC ENVIRONMENTS | Ved Chirayath, NASA |
| OUTCOMES OF THE FOWLERS GAP UNMANNED AIRBORNE VEHICLE WORKSHOP (2016), NSW, AUSTRALIA | Adrian Fisher, The University of Queensland |
| SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS IN CORAL REEF ENVIRONMENTS: FROM PROMISE TO REALITY | Karen Joyce, James Cook University |
| COMPARISON OF LITHOLOGICAL MAPPING RESULTS FROM AIRBORNE HYPERSPECTRAL VNIR-SWIR, LWIR AND COMBINED DATA | Derek Rogge, DLR |
| DETERMINATION OF THE PRESENT VEGETATION STATE OF A WETLAND WITH UAV IMAGERY | Marinus Axel Boon, University of Johannesburg |

GEOGLAM 2

Onyx Room

Co-chairs: Bettina Baruth, European Commission and Andries Potgieter, University of Queenslana

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| GEOGLAM, THE GLOBAL AGRICULTURAL MONITORING INITIATIVE OF GEO, THE GROUP ON EARTH OBSERVATIONS | Michel Deshayes, GEO Secretariat |
| CRAFT: LINKING SPATIAL DATA WITH SIMULATION MODELS AND CLIMATE FORECASTS FOR CROP YIELD FORECASTING | Gerrit Hoogenboom, University of Florida |
| RICE MONITORING USING SAR DATA: TOWARDS OPERATIONAL DATA EXPLOITATION | Thuy Le Toan, CESBIO CNES |
| THE CASE FOR AFRIGAM (A CO-ORDINATION, DATA ACCESS, CAPACITATING AND EVIDENCE BASED DECISION MAKING SUPPORT INITIATIVE FOR AFRICAN AGRICULTURAL MONITORING) | Terence Newby, Agricultural Research Council |
| PROBABILISTIC FORECASTING OF CROP YIELD ACROSS CANADA UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL UNCERTAINTY | Nathaniel Newlands, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada |
| OPERATIONAL CROP AREA STATISTICS EXTRACTED FROM LANDSAT IMAGERY ON GOOGLE EARTH ENGINE | Curt Reynolds, United States Department of Agriculture |

15:00 - 15:30 | REFRESHMENT BREAK AND POSTERS Q&A

15:30 - 17:00

COMMERCIAL EO 1

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Lee Annamalai, CSIR and Peter Schaadt, DLR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| PRESENT AND FUTURE SOUTH AFRICAN EARTH OBSERVATION PLATFORMS | Niki Steenkamp, Denel Spaceteq |
| PLANET'S SUBSCRIPTION APPROACH TO ACCESSING DAILY, HIGH RESOLUTION COVERAGE OF THE EARTH | John Ahlrichs, Planet |
| NOVEL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND IMAGERY EXPLOITATION CONCEPTS OF THE URTHECAST CONSTELLATIONS | Rao Ramayanam, Urthecast |
| PAYLOADS WITH LIVE INTERNET ACCESS AND COMPLEMENTARY SATELLITE FLEET | Jens Eickhoff, Airbus Defence and Space |
| FUTURE MULTI-SENSOR EO CONSTELLATIONS | Sias Mostert, SCS Aerospace Group |

FOREST BIOMASS FROM SPACE

Amber Room 1

Co-chairs: Thuy Le Toan, CESBIO CNES and Renaud Mathieu, CSIR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| MONITORING STRUCTURE AND ABOVE-GROUND CARBON STORAGE IN AFROTEMPERATE FOREST PATCHES, KWAZULU-NATAL, SOUTH AFRICA | Jolene Fisher, University of Witwatersrand |
| CARBON ASSESSMENT USING EARTH OBSERVATION AND CARBON MODELS IN AFRICA | Thuy Le Toan, CESBIO CNES |
| APPLICATION OF A SEMI-EMPIRICAL MODEL IN THE ESTIMATION OF SAVANNA BIOMASS, USING HYPER-TEMPORAL C-BAND DATA | Russell Main, CSIR |
| MONITORING ABOVEGROUND WOODY BIOMASS STOCKS IN DIFFERENT FOREST TYPES WITH L- BAND ALOS 2 PALSAR 2 DATA | Kuhle Siseko Ndyamboti, CSIR |
| INTEGRATION OF MULTIPLE REMOTE SENSING OBSERVATIONS TOWARDS ASSESSING FOREST CARBON STOCKS OF 2010 | Maurizio Santoro, Gamma Remote Sensing |

SAVANNAHS & WOODLANDS 2

Ruby Auditorium

Co-chairs: Richard Lucas, University of New South Wales and Renaud Mathieu, CSIR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| A MULTI-SENSOR AND MULTI-TEMPORAL APPROACH TO VEGETATION STRUCTURE MAPPING — RESULTS FROM THE ARS AFRICAE EXPERIMENT AT THE SKUKUZA FLUX TOWER | Christiane Schmullius |
| USING MULTI-ANGULAR REMOTE SENSING TO ANALYSE CHANGES IN DRY WOODLAND STRUCTURE | Nicky Knox |
| THE PRODUCTION OF PAST DEFORESTATION MAPS OF THE BRAZILIAN CERRADO TO SUPPORT A PARTIAL FREL SUBMISSION WITHIN THE BRAZILIAN REDD+ STRATEGY | Dalton Valeriano |
| MONITORING FOREST DEGRADATION IN THE TROPICAL DRY FORESTS OF SOUTH-CENTRAL AFRICA | Nicky Knox |
| OPTIMAL PHENOLOGICAL PERIOD FOR ESTIMATING WOODY COVER USING MODIS IMAGERY | Moses Azong Cho |
| THE WOODY AND HERBACEOUS CONSTITUENTS OF MODIS LAI AND THEIR APPLICATION IN UNDERSTANDING FIRE REGIMES AND HERBIVORY IN AFRICA | Milkah Kahiu |

BIG EO DATA IN THE CLOUD 2

Emerald Auditorium

Co-chairs: Ursula Benz, CloudEO AG and Sveinung Loekken, European Space Agency

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| DIGITALGLOBE - CHANGING THE WORLD WITH CLOUD, CROWD AND GEOSPATIAL BIG DATA | Alex Fortescue, DigitalGlobe |
| CODE-DE - A COPERNICUS DATA AND EXPLOITATION PLATFORM FOR GERMANY | Andreas Müller, DLR |
| THE AUSTRALIAN GEOSCIENCE DATA CUBE, A PLATFORM FOR EARTH OBSERVATION SCIENCE AND INNOVATION | Jonathon Ross, Geoscience Australia |
| DEALING WITH AND EXPLOITING BIG EARTH OBSERVATION DATA | Geoff Sawyer, EARSC |
| SENTINEL-1 DATA PROCESSING AT THE EODC EARTH OBSERVATION DATA CENTRE FOR WATER RESOURCES MONITORING | Wolfgang Wagner, Technical University of Wien |
| DISCUSSION: FEDERATION OF EARTH OBSERVATION CLOUD PLATFORMS | Wolfgang Wagner, Technical University of Wien |

GEO IN-SITU OBSERVATION NETWORKS

Crystal Room

Co-chairs: Joan Maso, CREAF and Osamu Ochiai, GEO Secretariat

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| GEO IN SITU FOUNDATIONAL TASK IN 2017-2019 | Osamu Ochiai, GEO Secretariat |
| IN-SITU OBSERVATIONS: COORDINATION NEEDS AND BENEFITS | Hans-Peter Plag, Old Dominion University |
| THE GLOBAL GEODETIC OBSERVING SYSTEM | Richard Gross, NASA |
| LINKING GLOBAL SCALE REMOTE SENSING AND IN SITU MONITORING PROGRAMMES – GEO AND ILTER | Herbert Haubold, Environment Agency Austria |
| BUILDING A ROBUST AND COMPREHENSIVE IN SITU ENVIRONMENTAL OBSERVATION NETWORK IN A DEVELOPING ECONOMY: CHALLENGES AND CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS | Johan Pauw, SAEON |
| EUROPEAN NETWORK OF EARTH OBSERVATION NETWORKS FOR IN-SITU COORDINATION IN EUROPE | Joan Maso, CREAF |
| IN-SITU LONG-TERM AND MULTIDISCIPLINARY OBSERVATION NETWORKS AND SATELLITE ECOLOGY CONCEPT FOR TERERSTRIAL BIODIVESITY AND ECOSYSTEM | Hiroyuki Muraoka, Gifu University |

GEOGLAM SENTINEL-2

Onyx Room

 $\textbf{\textit{Co-chairs:}} \ \textit{Benjamin Koetz, ESA and Terence Newby, Agricultural Research Council}$

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| SENTINEL-2 FOR AGRICULTURE: SENTINEL-2 OPERATIONAL EXPLOITATION FOR SUPPORTING NATIONAL AND GLOBAL CROP MONITORING | Pierre Defourny, UCLouvain-Geomatics |
| SEN2-AGRI NATIONAL DEMONSTRATION IN UKRAINE | Andrii Kolotii, Space Research Institute |
| "SENTINEL-2 FOR AGRICULTURE" TO SUPPORT NATIONAL AGRICULTURE MONITORING: DEMONSTRATION IN MALI | Nicolas Bellemans, Université Catholique De Louvain |
| SENTINEL 2 FOR AGRICULTURE: PROVISIONAL RESULTS FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL VALIDATION SITE | Terence Newby, Agricultural Research Council |
| MAPPING SMALLHOLDER AGRICULTURE USING SIMULATED SENTINEL-2 DATA; OPTIMIZATION OF A RANDOM FOREST-BASED APPROACH AND EVALUATION ON MADAGASCAR SITE | Agnes Begue, CIRAD |

17:00 - 18:00 | POSTER SESSION

18:00 - 19:00 | PUBLIC LECTURE (Diamond Auditorium)

FRIDAY, 12 MAY 2017

08:30 - 10:30

PLENARY SESSION 5 | TRENDS IN COMMERCIAL EO

Diamond Auditorium

Chair: Lee Annamalai, CSIR

Panellists

John Ahlrichs, Planet

Corne Eloff, Airbus Defence and Space

Lawrie Jordan, ESRI

Sias Mostert, SCS Aerospace Group

Steven Ramage, GEO Secretariat

Geoff Sawyer, EARSC Gordon Staples, MDA

10:30 - 11:00 | REFRESHMENT BREAK

11:00 - 12:30

COMMERCIAL EO 2

Diamond Auditorium

Co-chairs: Lee Annamalai, CSIR and Peter Schaadt, DLR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| UNLOCKING THE VALUE OF HIGH RESOLUTION, ACCURACY, SPECTRUM AND REVISIT | Alex Fortescue, DigitalGlobe |
| THE FUTURE AIRBUS DEFENCE AND SPACE OPTICAL AND SAR SATELLITE CONSTELLATION, A VISION FOR 2020 AND BEYOND | Corne Eloff, Airbus Defence and Space |
| SERVICING THE MARKET WITH HIGH RESOLUTION DATA - A PLUG FOR SERVICES & INFORMATION - NOT IMAGES | Peter Hausknecht, Earth-i Ltd |
| CLAIRE: A CANADIAN SMALL SATELLITE MISSION FOR MEASUREMENT OF GREENHOUSE GASES | James Sloan, University of Waterloo |
| SURVEY ON THE HEALTH & WELL BEING OF THE AFRICAN EO COMPANIES | Tsehaie Woldai, University of the Witwatersrand |
| DEIMOS IMAGING: CURRENT MEDIUM AND HIGH RESOLUTION SATELLITES FOR AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL MAPPING AND MONITORING | Raquel Chivato, Deimos Imaging |

WETLAND DYNAMICS UNDER GLOBAL CHANGE

Amber Room 1

Co-chairs: Ursula Gessner, DLR and Brian O'Connor, WCMC

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| GEO-WETLANDS: A NEW FRAMEWORK FOR COLLABORATIVE MAPPING AND MONITORING OF GLOBAL WETLANDS | Adrian Strauch, University of Bonn |
| HOW COORDINATION OF EARTH OBSERVATION DATA CAN HELP PROTECT THE WORLD'S VANISHING WETLANDS: PROGRESS ON THE SWOS PROJECT | Brian O'Connor, WCMC |
| DYNAMICS OF GLOBAL WETLANDS REFLECTED IN THE DAILY TIME SERIES PRODUCT GLOBAL WATER PACK | Ursula Gessner, DLR |
| ASSESSING THE SPATIO-TEMPORAL CHARACTERISTICS OF WETLANDS ALONG THE KLIP RIVER USING REMOTE SENSING TECHNIQUES | Lutendo Zwedzi, University of Johannesburg |
| LONG-TERM LAND COVER AND LAND USE CHANGES IN THE KILOMBERO FLOODPLAIN, TANZANIA | Konrad Hentze, DeMo Wetlands Project |
| APPLICATION OF EARTH OBSERVATION IN MAPPING MANGROVE COVER WITHIN WESTERN INDIAN OCEAN | Edward Ouko |

SAVANNAHS & WOODLANDS 3

Ruby Auditorium

Co-chairs: Phoebe Odour, RCMRD/SERVIR and Solomon Tesfamichael, UJ

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| VALIDATION OF THE FINAL TANDEM-X DEM IN THE LOWVELD SAVANNA, SOUTH AFRICA, USING HIGHLY ACCURATE | Jussi Baade, Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena |
| DIFFERENTIAL GNSS AND TLS GROUND MEASUREMENTS | Jussi baade, Friedrich-Schiller-Oniversity Jena |
| LEVERAGING TRADITIONAL FIELD SAMPLING, SPECTRAL UNMIXING, AND ALLOMETRIC MODELING IN MULTI-SCALE | Thoralf Mever, University of Texas |
| QUANTIFICATION OF WOODY BIOMASS IN KALAHARI SAVANNA ECOSYSTEMS | Thorail Meyer, Oniversity of Texas |
| GUIDELINES FOR UPSCALING COUNTRY-WIDE WOODY FRACTIONAL COVER - RECOMMENDED AMOUNT OF FIELD | Laven Naidoo, CSIR |
| PLOTS AND AIRBORNE LIDAR DATA COVERAGE REQUIRED ACROSS SOUTH AFRICA | Laveii Naidoo, CSIN |
| ADDRESSING THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN LAND COVER CHANGE AND FIRE IN MIOMBO FORESTS IN GURUÉ, | Natasha Ribeiro. Eduardo Mondlane University |
| CENTRAL MOZAMBIQUE | Natastia Ribeiro, Eduardo Mondialie Offiversity |
| MAPPING FRACTIONAL WOODY COVER IN SEMI-ARID SAVANNAHS: DATA MINING BULK-PROCESSED LANDSAT AND | Elias Symeonakis, Manchester Metropolitan University |
| ALOS PALSAR DATA | Elias symeoriakis, ivianchester ivietropolitan oniversity |
| OPTIMISATION OF SAVANNAH FRACTIONAL WOODY VEGETATION COVER MAPPING USING OPTICAL AND RADAR | Fliar Cumannakis Manchastar Matronalitan University |
| DATA | Elias Symeonakis, Manchester Metropolitan University |

DIGITAL EARTH

Emerald Auditorium

Co-chairs: Terence van Zyl, University of the Witwatersrand and Changlin Wang, RADI, CAS

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| OPEN SOURCE TECHNOLOGY FOR LARGE SCALE OPEN DATA SHARING | Bente Lilja Bye, BLB |
| FRAMEWORK AND ARCHITECTURE FOR NEXT GENERATION DIGITAL EARTH | Xiangtao Fan, RADI CAS |
| THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS A BASIS TO DEVELOP DIGITAL EARTH | Mario Hernandez, Future Earth Engagement Committee |
| HYDROLOGY THEMATIC EXPLOITATION PLATFORM (H – TEP): CLOUD - BASED INTEGRATED DATA ANALYSIS AND MODELLING SYSTEM | Massimo Menenti, Delft University of Technology |
| UNDERSTANDING TEMPORAL AND SPATIAL VARIATION OF SOIL AVAILABLE NUTRIENTS UNDER UNIFORM FERTILIZATION CONDITION BY INTEGRATING WOFOST MODEL AND TIME SERIES SATELLITE DATA | Jihua Meng, RADI CAS |
| GEOSPATIAL BIG DATA STREAMING: ARCHITECTURAL CONSIDERATIONS | Terence van Zyl, University of the Witwatersrand |

EO TO MANAGING RISK

Crystal Room

Co-chairs: Steven Hosford, CNES and Ivan Petiteville, ESA

| Presentation title | | Speaker |
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| ACCURACY ASSESSMENT OF TANDEM-X I-DEMS OVER THE UK | | Jan-Peter Muller, University College London - Mullard Space Science Laboratory |
| GEO DISASTER RESILIENCE ACTIVITIES | | Ivan Petiteville, ESA |
| SATELLITE MODELING AND MONITORING FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AMERICA | IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND LATIN | Nancy Searby, NASA |
| GP-STAR: GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP USING SPACE-BASED TECHNOLOGY APPLI | ICATIONS FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION | Peter Zeil, Spatial Services |
| THE USE OF REMOTE SENSING TECHNOLOGY TO UNDERSTAND SNOWFALL | RISK IN SOUTH AFRICA | Dechlan Pillay, NDMC |

LAND DEGRADATION

Onyx Room

Co-chairs: Michael Cherlet, European Commission and Konrad Wessels, CSIR

| Presentation title | Speaker |
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| EARTH OBSERVATION TECHNOLOGY FOR MONITORING LAND DEGRADATION IN SOUTH AFRICA: A SYNTHESIS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS UNCCD FRAMEWORK | George Chirima, CSIR |
| IDENTIFYING DRYLAND DEGRADATION NOT CAUSED BY CLIMATE CHANGES | Jason Evans, University of New South Wales |
| LARGE-SCALE INDICATIVE MAPPING OF SOIL RUNOFF | Evgeny Panidi, St Petersburg State University |
| AN OPERATIONAL PROCESSING CHAIN FOR MEDIUM RESOLUTION EARTH OBSERVATION DATA TO ESTABLISH DATACUBES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING IN SOUTHERN AFRICA | Achim Röder, Trier University |
| EARTH OBSERVATION ASSISTED DECISION SUPPORT TOOLS FOR EVIDENCE BASED DECISION MAKING | Tor Vagen, ICRAF |
| MULTI-SENSOR INTEGRATED AGRICULTURAL DROUGHT MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT | Xiang Zhang, Wuhan University |

GEO WORK PROGRAMME SYMPOSIUM 1

Amethyst Room

12:30 - 13:30 | CLOSING CEREMONY (Diamond Auditorium)

14:00 - 17:00

GEO WORK PROGRAMME SYMPOSIUM 2

Amethyst Room

SATURDAY, 13 MAY 2017

08:30 - 17:00

GEO WORK PROGRAMME SYMPOSIUM 3

Amethyst Room