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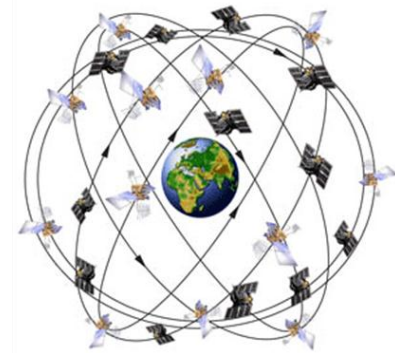
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# ARCSSTE-E Activities Update and the Joint Africa/Asia-Pacific UNOOSA-Regional Centres Collaborative Training Efforts on Global Navigation Satellite Systems [GNSS]



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GNSS Constellation

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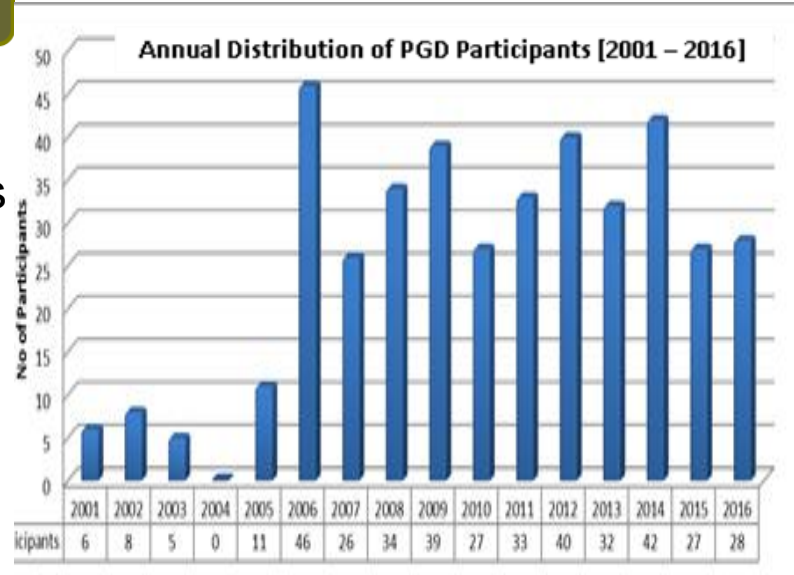


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# ARCSSTE-E Core Activities

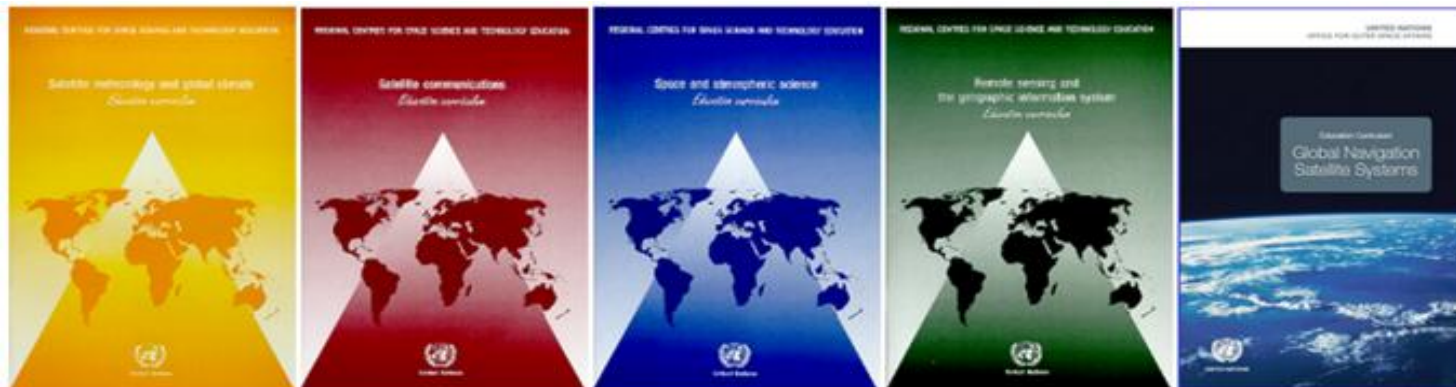
## Post Graduate Diploma Programme

- **Duration:** 9-month Post-graduate Diploma Programme in five key areas of Space Science and Technology (SST) Education
- **International Participants** are offered full scholarship covering: - Tuition Fee, Accommodation, Medical Services, Travel Ticket, etc.



\* 17 of the 24 Countries have participated in the PGD Programme to date

Botswana	2
Cameroon	33
Congo DRC	1
Ethiopia	4
Gambia	1
Ghana	9
Kenya	15
Liberia	12
Malawi	7
Nigeria	334
Sierra Leone	1
Sudan	15
South Africa	1
Tanzania	5
Uganda	11
Zambia	3
Zimbabwe	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>473</b>



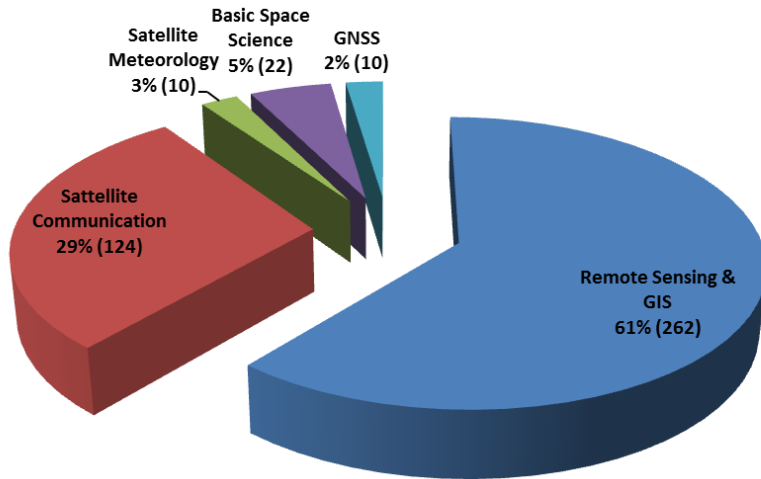


# Post Graduate Diploma Programme Contd.



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### Distribution of PGD Participants by Course Options [2001-2016]



### - ARCSSTE-E Regional Biennial Alumni Conference



2016 Graduation Ceremony



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**ARCSTE-E Core Activities II**

AFRICAN REGIONAL CENTRE FOR SPACE  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION -  
ENGLISH, OAU CAMPUS, ILE-IFE

THE FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY  
AKURE

- **Duration:** 18-month MTech. (SSTA) in five key areas of Space Science and Technology (SST) Education
- **Collaborating University:** Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA)

**Commenced: 2013 with 18 Students**  
**2014: 15 Students**  
**2015: 20 Students**  
**2016: 27 Students**

MTech. (Space Science & Technology)





# ARCSSTE-E Core Activities III

## - Space Education Outreach Programme



The Founder/CEO of SLOOH addressing the participants during the 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star' Workshop - 2015

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**Human Space Technology Initiative (HSTI)**

**Zero-Gravity Instrument Project (ZGIP)** promotes space education and research in microgravity.

<http://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/sapidx.html>

The United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs launched the ZGIP on 1 February 2013, and distributed the microgravity simulation instruments to qualified schools, universities, research centres and institutes



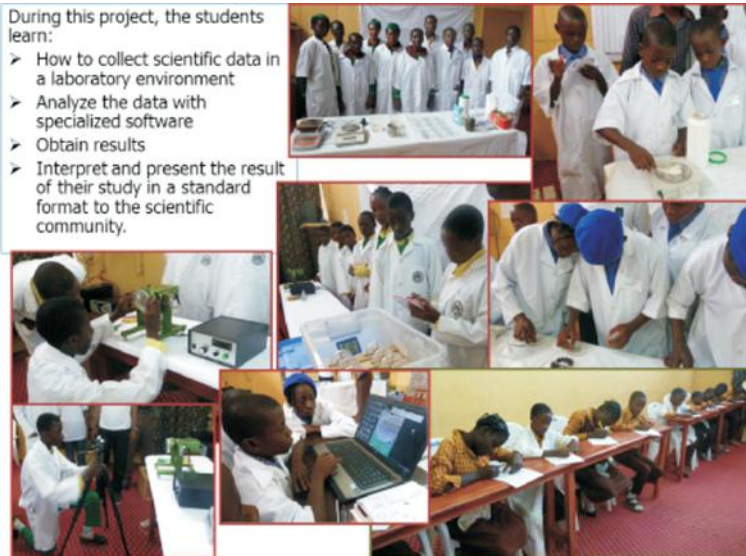
**CLINOSTAT:** A one-axis clinostat was selected for distribution because of the ease of use and potential scientific benefits.



ARCSSTE-E has developed Curricula for space science education in primary and secondary schools in Nigeria

During this project, the students learn:

- How to collect scientific data in a laboratory environment
- Analyze the data with specialized software
- Obtain results
- Interpret and present the result of their study in a standard format to the scientific community.



ARCSSTE-E received, on a competitive basis, one of the 20 Clinostats distributed in 2013



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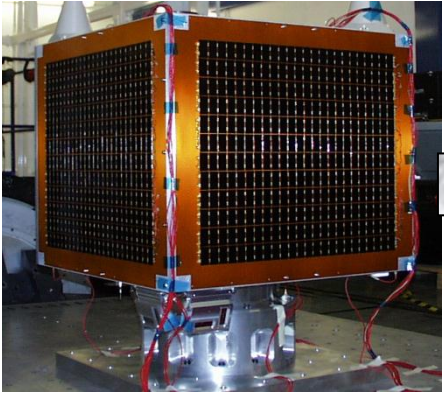


# ARCSSTE-E's Permanent site

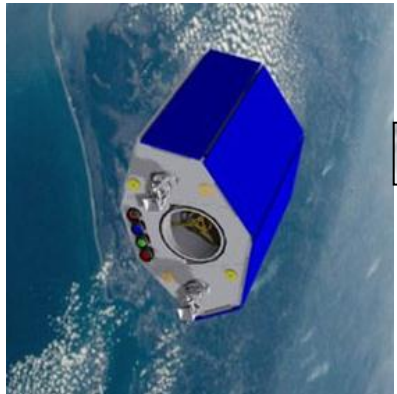




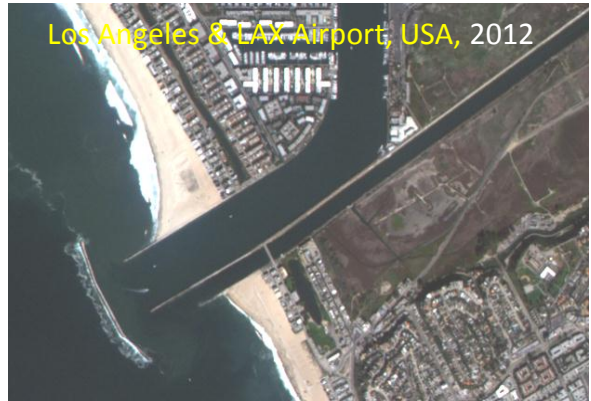
# NIGERIA's EO Space Infrastructure Supporting ARCSSTEE Activities



32m  
NIGERIASAT-1



2.5m; 5m  
NIGERIASAT-2



22m  
NIGERIASAT-X







# International Collaborations



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1. **GEO**, Geneva, Switzerland



- Participating Organisation (PO) status

2. **International Committee on GNSS**,  
UN-OOSA, Vienna



International Committee on  
Global Navigation Satellite Systems

3. **RCSSTEAP**, China



## Planned Collaborations

- **EUMETSAT** on GEONetCast  
- establishment of - ongoing



- **China-Brazil Earth Resources Satellite (CBERS)**  
- Ground Receiving Station (educational)



- **ESRI Educational licensed products** e.g. ArcGIS



- **Samara State Aerospace University**, Russia



- **Others welcome!**



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## Joint Africa/Asia-Pacific UNOOSA-Regional Centres Collaborative Training Efforts on Global Navigation Satellite Systems [GNSS]

**1** **Background**

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**2** **Training Efforts**

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**3** **Challenges**

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# 1 Background



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Office for Outer Space Affairs → Recommendation

Developing countries to seek partnership with other developing/developed countries to implement and oversee common programmes in space related science



International Committee on  
Global Navigation Satellite Systems

... To promote the introduction and utilization of these [GNSS] services and their future enhancements, including in developing countries, through assistance, if necessary, with integration into their infrastructure (<http://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/ourwork/icg/icg.html>)

## UNOOSA/ARCSSTE-E 2011 GNSS Workshop

Build upon the experiences of the previous workshop on GNSS, supported by the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, held at ARCSSTE-E, Ile-Ife, Nigeria in 2011



# 1 Background Contd.



In consonance with the foregoing -

- The United Nations African Regional Centre for Space Science and Technology Education (**ARCSSTE-E**) located in Nigeria, **partnered with**
- The United Nations Regional Centre in China (**RCSSTEAP**)

To **develop human capacity** in Global Navigation Satellite Systems [**GNSS**] for the African community.



❖ **ARCSSTE-E**, Nigeria is hosted by the **Obafemi Awolowo University**, Ile-Ife, Nigeria

❖ **RCSSTEAP**, China is hosted by **Beihang University**, China



## 2 Training Efforts



The Collaborative Training Efforts on GNSS between ARCSSTE-E, Nigeria and RCSSTEAP, China is dual fold:

- **Technical Staff Training in GNSS**
- **International Training Workshop on GNSS**

### Technical Staff Training in GNSS

- RCSSTEAP, China offered full scholarship to Two (2) Technical staff of ARCSSTE-E for Masters Degree Program in GNSS at Beihang University, China in **2014**
- Due to the brilliant performance of the two technical staff of ARCSSTE-E, and to further promote the collaboration between ARCSSTE-E and RCSSTEAP, they were admitted as **Doctoral candidates** in the Programme of Space Technology Application at Beihang University, China. The admission was supported with the **full Chinese Government Scholarship**, offered by the China Scholarship Council.
- In **2016** One (1) Master Scholarship each was further offered to the Centre in **Space Law**, and **GNSS at Beihang University**



## Workshop Objectives

- To present updates on the status and plans for future developments of GNSS in Africa with particular reference to the Beidou Navigation Satellite Systems;
- To present the roles of Beidou in Augmentation Systems;
- To present GNSS technology and its applications
- To provide “hands on” experience on GNSS data to specific applications;
- To increase the knowledge and skills of professionals on the use of GNSS data; and
- To strengthen regional information and data exchange networks on the use of GNSS technology.



# International Training Workshop on Global Navigation Satellite Systems



## Opening Ceremony

- Workshop was declared opened by the representative of the Hon. Minister of Science and Technology, Dr Ogbonnaya Onuh with the presence of the representative of Ag. Vice Chancellor, Prof Anthony Elujoba of the Obafemi Awolowo University.



From Left to Right: Prof. Yang Dongkai; Dr. Ganiy Agbaje; Professor Weng Jingnong; The Representative of the Honorable Minister of Science and Technology, Dr. Halilu Shaba; the Representative of the Ag. Vice Chancellor of Obafemi Awolowo University, Professor Segun Fatusi; Prof. Yin Ping, Prof. Jide Kufoniyi



# International Training Workshop on Global Navigation Satellite Systems



## Workshop Participants

- 85 participants (15 females and 70 males) drawn from Seven countries including six African nations (Cameroon, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria and Sudan) and China.
- These participants were from the Federal, State and Local Government agencies and institutions; non-governmental organizations, and private industries; and Service Personnel (Air Force, Army and Navy).
- About 50% of the participants were students enrolled for the Graduate Programmes of ARCSSTE-E.







# International Training Workshop on Global Navigation Satellite Systems



## Technical Sessions

11 Sessions over five (5) days facilitated by Six (6) Chinese and five (5) Nigerian experts:

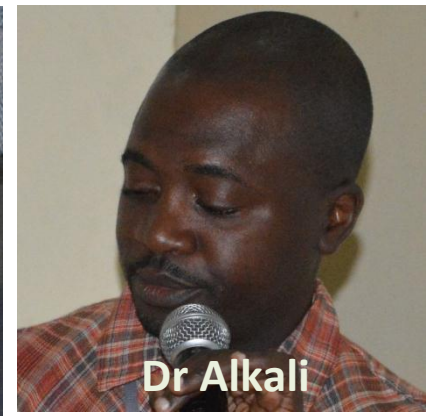
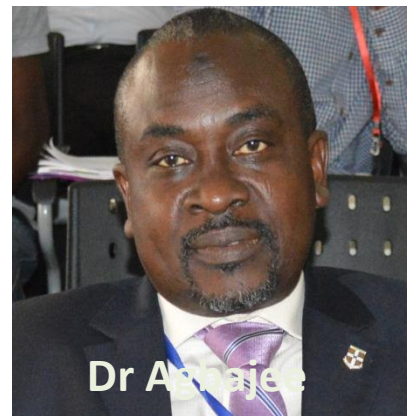
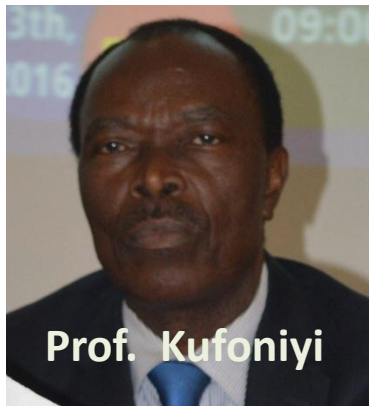
- **Prof. Wu Falin** - "GNSS Principle and High Precision Positioning"
- **Prof. Yang Dongkai** - "GNSS Reflection Applications"
- **Prof. Qin Honglei** - "GNSS Attitude Determination"
- **Prof. Yin Ping** - "GNSS Applications in Civil Aviation"
- **Prof. Wu Falin** - "GNSS Applications – Case Study"
- **Prof. Weng Jingnong** "International Space Education, Opportunities and Challenges"
- **Dr Ganiy Agbaje** – "ARCSSTEE Capacity Building Programme"
- **Dr. Muhammed Alkali** - "Nigerian Satellite Augmentation System"
- **Prof. Babatunde Rabi** - "Status of Ground GNSS Infrastructure in Africa"
- **Surv. AbuduGaniyu Adebomahin** - "The State and Utilization of the Nigeria CORS Network"
- **Dr. Joseph Dodo** – "GNSS Applications in Nigeria"



# International Training Workshop on Global Navigation Satellite Systems



## Technical Sessions - Facilitators





# International Training Workshop on Global Navigation Satellite Systems



## Recreational Activities

- Cocktail Reception and Gala Night





## International Training Workshop on Global Navigation Satellite Systems



### **Workshop Evaluation – through Questionnaires**

- All the participants found the Workshop informative and educative and would recommend the Programme to other people.
- Furthermore, 100% of the participants specified that the Workshop stimulated their interest in GNSS, and also improved their knowledge about GNSS
- Participants considered it to be very successful

The following concerns were expressed by the participants:

- Lack of Practical Sessions
- For future Workshops, the organizers are encouraged to seek partnership from national/international organizations to improve on the financial support for the programme.



# 3 Challenges



- Inadequate funding to Support the Practical Sessions
- Inability to enlist the participation of GNSS equipment vendors
- Need to Establishment of Ground Receiving Station facilities for teaching and research
- Need for Regional Institutions to collaborate in the delivery of E-Education
- Need for Collaboration in Research and Development and support for teaching facilities



# 3 Conclusion

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- This Collaboration among the Regional Centres fulfilled one of the major goals of UNOOSA on capacity building through collaborations
- The Workshop was largely adjudged successful
- We hereby acknowledge the Chinese Government scholarship support under this collaboration.
- Collaboration from other organisations/institutions are welcome.



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