

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

SPACE EDUCATION PROGRAMME

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World Conference on Science 1999, Budapest

- Improve science education at all levels
- Develop new curriculum & teaching metholodigies

UNISPACE-III, 1999, Vienna

• Enhance education and provide opportunities to young people to learn more about space science and technology and their importance to human security and development



SPACE EDUCATION PROGRAMME (2002)

- Promotes the enhancement of space-related subjects and disciplines in schools and universities, particularly in developing countries
- Provides teachers/educators opportunities to develop/improve their knowledge and skills in space-related topics

Contributes to the preparation of the next generation of space workforce



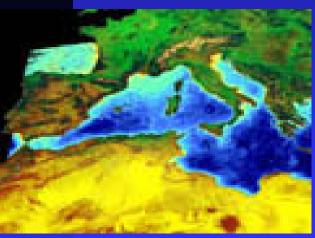
SPACE SCIENCE







SPACE & AERONAUTIC ENGINEERING



SPACE TECHNOLOGY APPLICATIONS



UN DECADE ON EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (UNDESD) 2005-2014

SPACE STUDIES

Value-driven

Critical thinking & problem solving process
Participatory decision-making process



PLATFORM FOR COOPERATION

- 190 National Commissions (representatives of the country's Min of Education, Science & Technology, Culture & Communication)
- 50 Cluster, Regional, Liaison & National Offices
- Promotes North-South & South-South cooperation



SEP WORKSHOPS

- Space education team (comprised of representatives of space agencies & space-related institutes)
- Donation of portable telescopes in cooperation with Meade Instruments
- Drafting of a pilot "National Space Education Programme"

Philippines (2004)
Nigeria, Colombia (2005)
Vietnam (2006)
Ecuador (2007)

2008-2009 Tanzania, Morocco Syria, Fiji









Regional & International Mechanisms

- Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum
 (APRSAF) Teacher training workshops/ seminars, publication of educational materials
 - CEOS Working Group on Education, Training and Capacity Building (WGEdu) – workshops for various audiences
- IAF Space Education and Outreach Committee forum for information & networking
- GEO Capacity Building Committee CB donors symposium, 10-11 Sept 2007, Sevilla, Spain



Present & Future Activities

- Panel on best teaching practices in Latin America (XIII SBSR, 22-26 April 2007, Florianopolis, Brazil)
- will be pursued in coming years
- National workshop on space science curriculum development (18 May 2007, UN-affiliated Regional Centre for Space Science & Technology Education, Ile-Ife, Nigeria) – a second workshop will be held.
- Teachers workshop (3-5 October 2007, Cordoba, Argentina in cooperation with CONAE)
- Publication of pedagogical materials



MILESTONES

2008: International Year of the Planet Earth

2009: International Year of Astronomy

http://www.earthobservations.org