## On the Development of the UN Regional Centres



Prof. Dr. WENG Jingnong

Executive Director of the UN Regional Centre in China (RCSSTEAP)

Dean of International School, Beihang University

June 12, 2017 Vienna



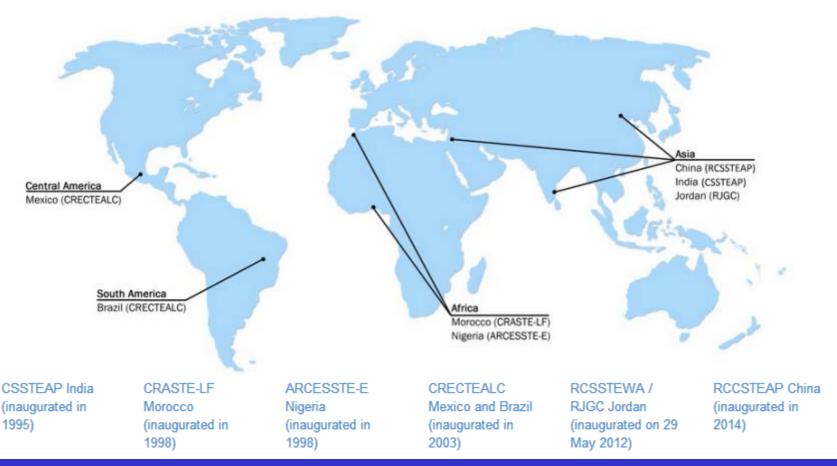
Meeting of the Directors of the UN Regional Centres will be held on 13-14 June, 2017

Room C0431, Vienna International Centre

### Objectives of the Centres (Re: A/AC.105/749 & A/AC.105/782)

In order to translate the recommendations of the Committee and the General Assembly into an operational programme, the Programme on Space Applications initiated a project aimed at the establishment of regional centres for space science and technology education at existing research and higher education institutions in each region covered by the United Nations Economic Commissions: Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Western Asia.

#### Regional Centres for Space Science and Technology Education (affiliated to the United Nations)



The principal goal of each centre is the development of the skills and knowledge of university educators and research and applications scientists, through rigorous theory, research, applications, field exercises, and pilot projects in those aspects of space science and technology that can contribute to sustainable development in each country.

The initial programmes of each centre focused on the following
four core disciplines:
Tremote sensing and geographic information systems;
Ineteorological satellite applications;
satellite communications and geopositioning systems;
space and atmospheric sciences.
With the increasing demand for space applications, the following core disciplines were added:
Iglobal navigation satellite systems;
Dasic space science and technology (Micro-satellite
technology);
space law and policy, etc.

According to rough estimation, the regional centres have trained hundreds of graduates through degree programmes and thousands of participants through short training programmes in the related fields of space technology and applications.

### Established in Nov. 17, 2014





#### 联合国附属空间科技教育亚太区域中心

Regional Centre for Space Science and Technology Education in Asia and the Pacific(China)

(Affiliated to the United Nations)



Ten Contracting Parties

#### Annual Work Plan — 5 Actions 1. Construct personnel and **Action** system to facilitate the sustainable development of 2. Conduct education the Centre and training programs to serve **Action** the Centre member 4. Organize activities for countries and other Action promoting visibility developing countries. of the Centre Action Action 5 3. Capacity building of the 5. Publications **Centre for space** application programme

## 1<sup>st</sup> Governing Boarding Meeting







## 2<sup>nd</sup> Governing Boarding Meeting





Held on November 27th, 2015 in Beijing

## 1<sup>st</sup> Advisory Committee Meeting











Bangladesh















December 6, 2016 in Beijing

So far, we have cultivated 215 graduate students from 23 countries majoring in Space Technology Applications, among whom 95 students from 18 countries are now studying at Beihang University, the host institution of the Centre.

In addition, the Centre has organized more than 20 short training programmes together with APSCO, UNSPSIDER Beijing Office, ENAC, Las Engineering and Technology School of Ohio University, China Satellite Global Services Alliance and other partners, in which over 500 students have participated.





Graduation Ceremony 2016



China Great Wall Industry Corporation China Academy of Space Technology China Centre for Resources Satellite Data and Application Shanghai Academy of Spaceflight Technology China Academy of Launch Vehicle Technology













BeiDou Navigation Satellite System

Beijing UniStrong Co., Ltd.

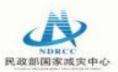
Beijing BDStar Navigation Co., Ltd.

ChinaRS Geoinformatics Co. Ltd.

Beijing Aerospace TITAN Technology Co., Ltd.

Twenty First Century Aerospace Technology Co., Ltd.













Space Debris Observation and Data Application Center China National Space Administration



National Satellite Meteorological Center



Institute of Remote Sensing and Digital Earth



National Astronomical Observatories Chinese Academy of Sciences



National Time Service Center



CHN | ENG

search

Q

News&Notice Capacity Building Campus Life **Publications** About us Programs Admissions Down to the Earth while Aiming High





















Venezue



WeChat: UN\_Centre



Website: http://www.rcssteap.org



WEBSITE

Space technology is a significant means for developing countries to improve national strength and achieve leapfrog development.

Capacity Building in Education and training is still cannot satisfy the increasing demand in the developing countries.

# 2

# To understand of the other regional centres and member states of RCSSTEAP

- Status
- Demands
- Development Plan

#### **Map of UN-Regional Centres**



### 1st Forum on Space Technology Applications



# 3

# Topic of the Meeting of the Directors of the UN Regional Centres

### **Topics to be Discussed**

- Capacity Building for 21st Century
- Establishment of Regional Centre Alliance
- Ideas on contributions to UNISPACE +50 by Regional Centres
- Best Practices and Distance Learning Programmes
- Curricula: status and future updates
- Opportunities and challenges
- .....



## Thank you for your attention!

联合国附属空间科学与技术教育亚太区域中心(中国)

Regional Centre for Space Science and Technology Education in Asia and the Pacific (China)
(Affiliated to the United Nations)