



# Report on the SCOSTEP and its PRESTO activities

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# SCOSTEP

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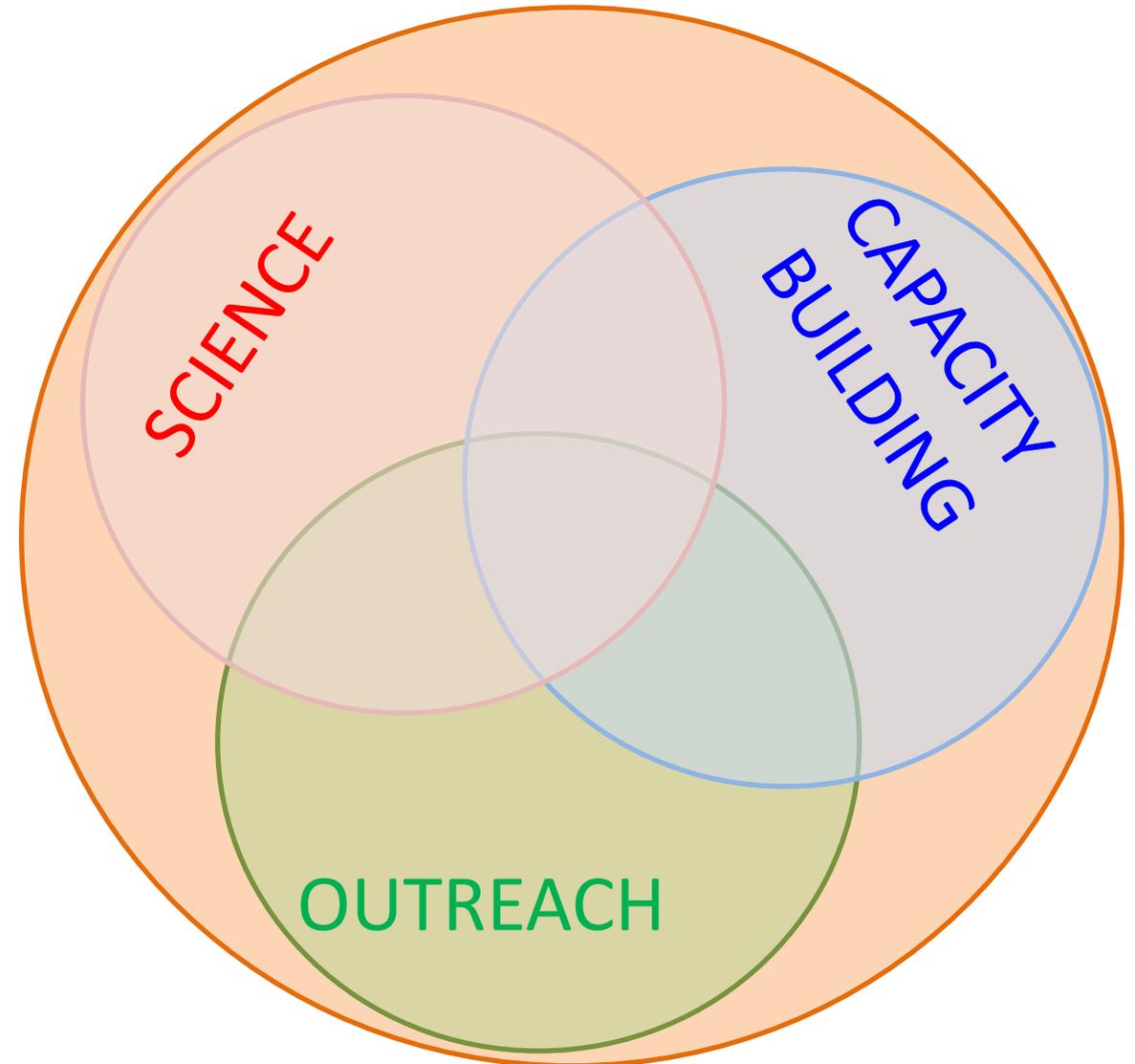
**A thematic organization of the International Science Council (ISC) and a permanent observer at UNCOPUOS.**

**Runs long-term (4-5 years) international interdisciplinary scientific programs of solar terrestrial physics since 1966**

**Interacts with national and international programs involving solar terrestrial physics elements**

**Engages in Capacity Building activities such as the Space Science Schools with UNOOSA/ISWI.**

**Disseminates new knowledge on the Sun-Earth System and how the Sun affects life and society as outreach activities**





## International interdisciplinary programs in solar-terrestrial physics operated by SCOSTEP

1976-1979: **IMS** (International Magnetosphere Study)

1979-1981: **SMY** (Solar Maximum Year)

1982-1985: **MAP** (Middle Atmosphere Program)

1990-1997: **STEP** (Solar-Terrestrial Energy Program)

1998-2002: **Post-STEP** (S-RAMP, PSMOS, EPIC, and ISCS)

2004-2008: **CAWSES** (Climate and Weather of the Sun-Earth System)

2009-2013: **CAWSES-II** (Climate and Weather of the Sun-Earth System-II)

2014-2018: **VarSITI** (Variability of the Sun and Its Terrestrial Impact)

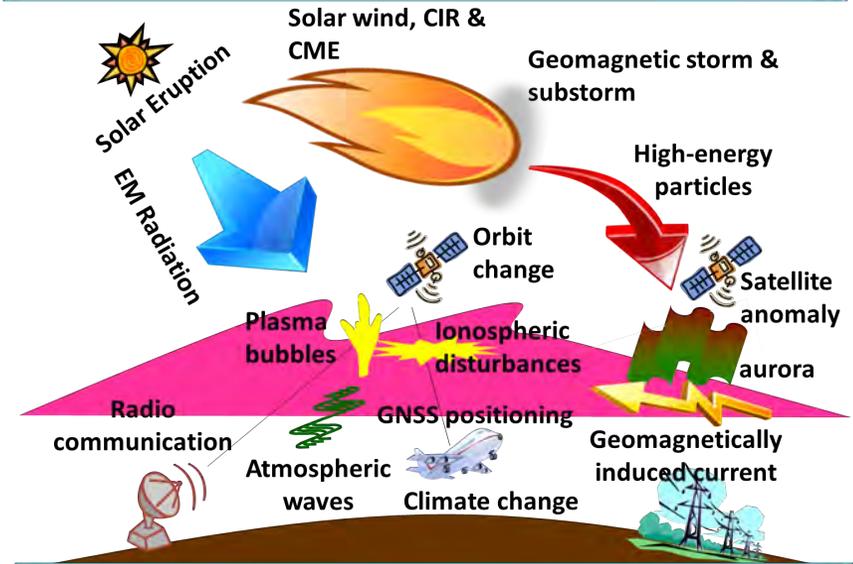
**2020-2024: PRESTO** (Predictability of the variable Solar-Terrestrial Coupling)



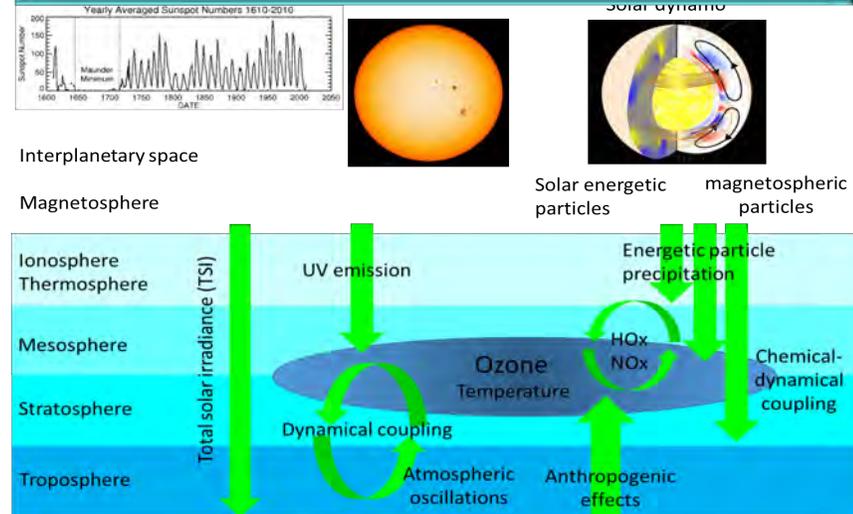
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**PRESTO: Predictability of the variable Solar-Terrestrial Coupling**

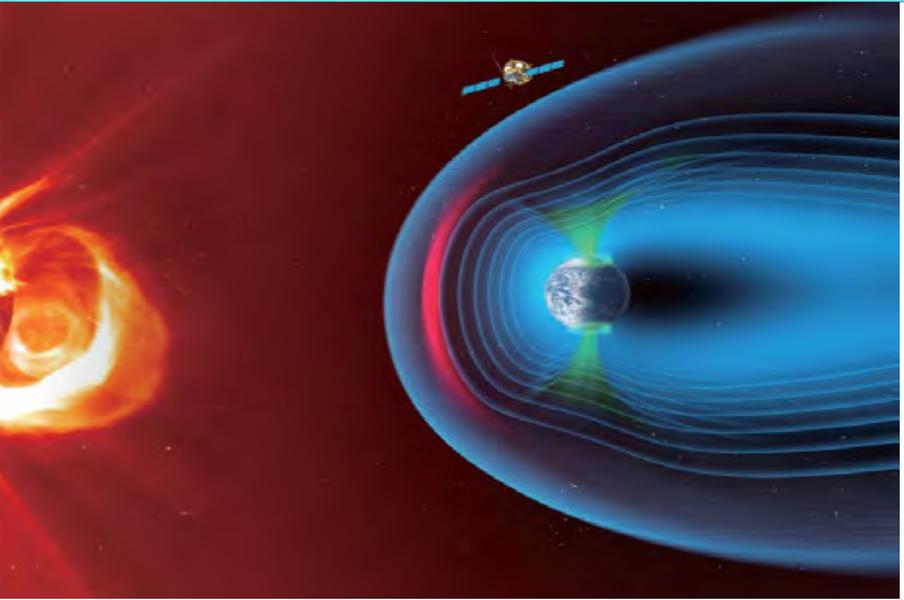
**Pillar 2: Space weather and the Earth's atmosphere**



**Pillar 3: Solar activity and its influence on the climate of the Earth System**



**Pillar 1: Sun, interplanetary space and geospace**



**PRESTO** identifies **predictability** of the variable solar-terrestrial coupling performance metrics through **modeling, measurements, and data analysis** and to strengthen the **communication between scientists and users**

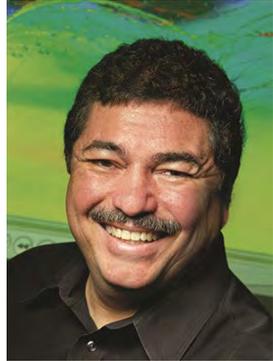
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**PRESTO: Predictability of the variable Solar-Terrestrial Coupling**

**PRESTO chair and co-chairs**



**Chair**  
**Ramon E. Lopez**  
**USA**



**Odele Coddington**  
**(USA)**



**Co-chair**  
**Jie Zhang**  
**USA**

**Pillar 2: Space weather and the Earth's atmosphere**



**Loren C. Chang**  
**(Taiwan)**



**Duggirala**  
**Pallamraju**  
**(India)**



**Nick M. Pedatella**  
**(USA)**

**Pillar 1: Sun, interplanetary space and geospace**



**Allison**  
**Jaynes**  
**(USA)**



**Emilia**  
**Kilpua**  
**(Finland)**



**Spiros**  
**Patsourakos**  
**(Greece)**

**Pillar 3: Solar activity and its influence on the climate of the Earth System**



**Jie Jiang**  
**(China)**



**Stergios Misios**  
**(Greece)**

# SCOSTEP/PRESTO Funding Opportunities

## PRESTO MEETINGS in 2022

| Meeting title   | location       | country  | date                 |
|---|----------------|----------|----------------------|
| European Space Weather Week 2022  | Zagreb         | Croatia  | Oct 24-28, 2022      |
| Extreme solar particle storms on Earth  | Rokua          | Finland  | Mar 27-30, 2022      |
| Organization of the 8th International Space Climate Symposium (SC8)               | Krakow         | Poland   | 19-22 September 2022 |
| International Beacon Satellite Symposium  | Boston College | USA      | 1-5 August 2022      |
| 14th Workshop on Solar Influences on the Magnetosphere, Ionosphere and Atmosphere | Primorsko      | Bulgaria | 6-10 June 2022       |

# 15<sup>th</sup> Quadrennial Solar-Terrestrial Physics Symposium

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## 15TH QUADRENNIAL SOLAR-TERRESTRIAL PHYSICS SYMPOSIUM (STP-15)

### 21 - 25 February 2022

Alibag, India (Hybrid or Fully Virtual)

Hosted by Indian Institute of Geomagnetism (IIG)

Event will start in

|        |      |       |         |         |
|--------|------|-------|---------|---------|
| 06     | 02   | 14    | 55      | 04      |
| MONTHS | DAYS | HOURS | MINUTES | SECONDS |

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S4 - PRESTO Pillar 3: Solar Activity and its Influence On Climate

S5 - Space Weather Prediction and Implementation

S6 - Modelling, Database and Data Analysis Tools for Solar-Terrestrial Physics

S7 - New ground- and space-based initiatives for Solar-Terrestrial Physics

S8 - Special Session on "Geomagnetism-The Connecting Link between Sun and Earth"

~400 participants from 40 countries

<https://stp15.in>

35 papers were submitted  
to the special issue in  
JASTP so far.

# ICTP-SCOSTEP-ISWI School and Workshop on the Predictability of the Solar-Terrestrial Coupling - PRESTO



<https://indico.ictp.it/event/10176/>

**29 May - 2 June 2023**  
**An ICTP Meeting**  
**Trieste, Italy**

## **Directors:**

**S. GADIMOVA**, ICG/UNOOSA, Austria  
**N. GOPALSWAMY**, NASA, USA  
**K.M. GROVES**, Boston College, USA  
**R. LOPEZ**, University of Texas at Arlington, USA  
**B. NAVA**, ICTP, Italy  
**K. SHIOKAWA**, Nagoya University, Japan

Further information:

<http://indico.ictp.it/event/10176/>  
[smr3842@ictp.it](mailto:smr3842@ictp.it)

## **Local Organiser:**

**B. NAVA**, ICTP, Italy

# Topics:

- Observations and modelling of solar eruptions, solar wind and SEPs from Sun through interplanetary space
- Prediction of solar transients, streams/SIRs and SEP from Sun to geospace
- Effect of space weather on the Earth's ionosphere, thermosphere, and magnetosphere
- Influence of the lower atmosphere on the mesosphere, thermosphere, and ionosphere
- Solar forcing specification and impacts on the atmosphere and climate
- Precipitating energetic particles and their effects on atmosphere
- Predictability of the solar cycle

## How to apply:

Online application:

<http://indico.ictp.it/event/10176/>

Female scientists are encouraged to apply.

## Grants:

A limited number of grants are available to support the attendance of selected participants, with priority given to participants from developing countries.

There is no registration fee.

## School Lecturers:

N. GOPALSWAMY, NASA, USA

S. MISIOS, NOAA, Greece

D. NANDI, IISER, India

N. PEDATELLA, NCAR, USA

K. SHIOKAWA, Nagoya University, Japan

J. ZHANG, George Mason University, USA

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## Deadline:

**28 February 2023**



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Trieste, Italy



## SCOSTEP-PRESTO ONLINE SEMINAR SERIES

real-time participants / number of registration

**#15 Title: Forecasting the Extreme End of Solar Weather: Flares, Coronal Mass Ejections and SEP Event Complexes**

**Author: Dr. Manolis K. Georgoulis** (RCAAM of the Academy of Athens, Greece)

**Date/time: September 23, 2022, 10:00-11:00 UT**

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**#14 Title: Mesoscales and their Contribution to the Global Response: A Focus on the Magnetotail Transition Region and Magnetosphere-Ionosphere Coupling**

**Author: Dr. Christine Gabrielse** (The Aerospace Corporation, USA)

**Date/time: July 5, 2022, 22:00-23:00 UT**

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**#13 Title: Ca II observations: Exploiting historical treasures for solar activity and variability studies**

**Author: Dr. Theodosios Chatzistergos – SCOSTEP 2022 Distinguished Young Scientist Award Winner**

**Affiliation: Max Planck Institute for Solar System Research, Gottingen, Germany**

**Date/time: June 16, 2022, 12:00-13:00 UT**

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**#12 Title: First Solar Cycle of Observations of our Heliosphere's Interaction with the Very Local Interstellar Medium**

**Author: Prof. David J. McComas – SCOSTEP 2022 Distinguished Scientist Award Lecture**

**Affiliation: Department of Astrophysical Sciences, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey 08544, USA**

**Date/time: May 11, 2022, 14:00-15:00 UT**

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**#11 Title: Solar-Terrestrial Coupling via Energetic Particle Precipitation**

**Speaker: Dr. Cora Randall** (University of Colorado, USA)

**Date/time: February 10, 2022, 14:00-15:00 UT**

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# SCOSTEP/PRESTO Funding Opportunities

## PRESTO DATABASE Constructions in 2022

| Title   | Institute  | Country                |
|---|--|------------------------|
| Database for unambiguous identification of waves in the inner heliosphere (DUWI)  | Peking University  | China                  |
| Database development of the ionosonde and magnetometer data recorded during the AIEE campaign in 1992-2001 period                                 | 1 Université Félix Houphouët<br>Boigny                       | Cote d'Ivoire          |
| The Argentinian-Chilean Validated Ionospheric Data-base (ACVID)   | Univer-sidad Nacional de Tucumán<br>and other 3 institutions | Argentina and<br>Chile |
| Improvement of GLE database - providing verified records for systematic analysis of strong SEP events and assessment of their terrestrial effects | University of Oulu   | Finland                |
| Catalog of Auroral Kilo-metric Radio emissions for solar-terrestrial physics  | Dublin Institute for Advanced<br>Studies (DIAS)              | Ireland                |



# SCOSTEP 2022 Distinguished Scientist Award

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**2022 Distinguished Scientist Award** is given to

**Professor David J. McComas**

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, USA



David J.  
McComas

Citation: For original research, technical leadership and wide-ranging discoveries that have significantly advanced our knowledge and understanding of the global structure and evolution of the solar wind and revolutionized our understanding of its interactive stellar medium.

# SCOSTEP 2022 Distinguished Young Scientist Award

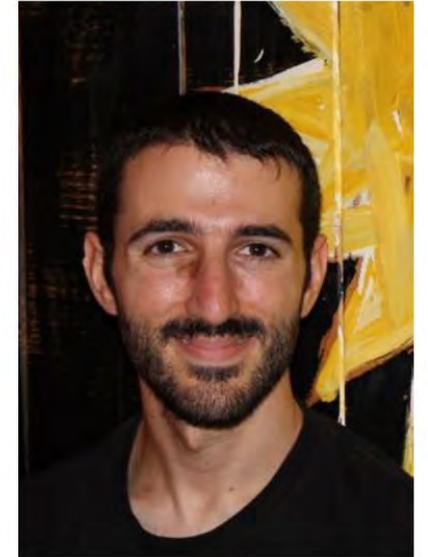
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**2022 Distinguished Young Scientist Award** is given to

**Dr. Theodosios Chatzistergos**

Max Planck Institute for Solar System Research, Göttingen, Germany



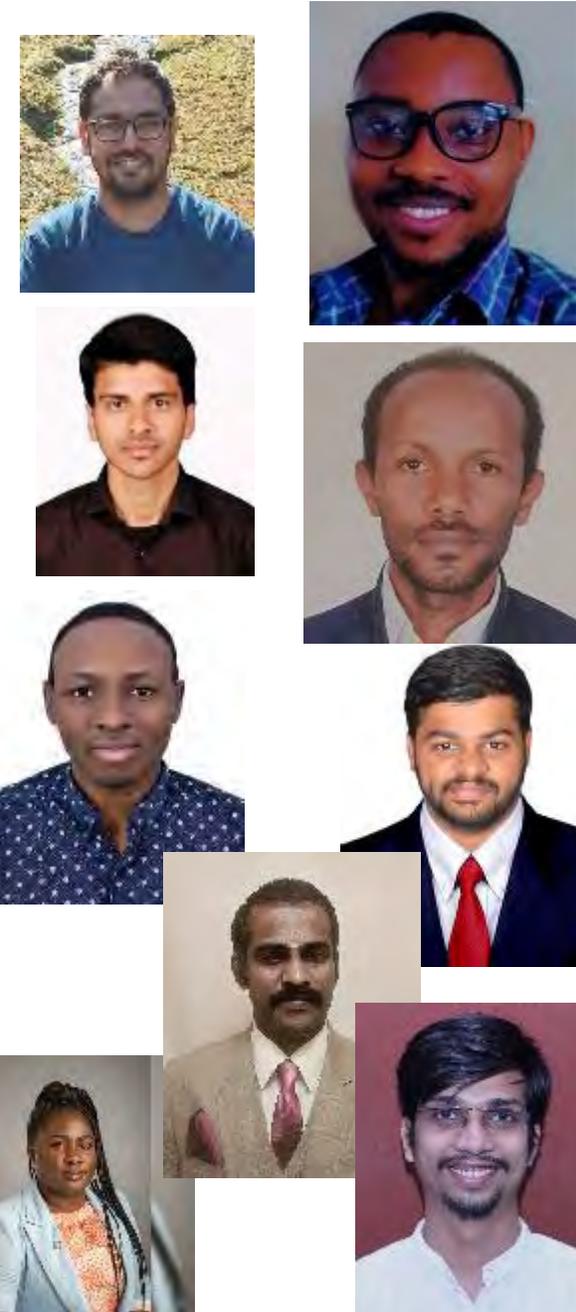
**Theodosios  
Chatzistergos**

Citation: For his tremendous and unprecedented work on exploiting the potential of historical solar observations for cardinal improvement reconstructions of past solar variability, a crucial input to climate models.

# SCOSTEP Visiting Scholar (SVS) Program

In 2022, 20 proposals were approved.

|    | Name  | Home Institute   | Host Institute  |
|----|---|--|---|
| 1  | <b>Aderonke Adekemi Obafaye-Nee Akerele</b> | Bowen University, Iwo, Osun State, Nigeria (and NASRDA)    | South African National Space Agency Space Science at Hermanus |
| 2  | <b>Adithya H.N.</b>                         | Young innovators, Educational Services Pvt. Ltd.           | ISEE, Nagoya Univ.  |
| 3  | <b>Oscar Batalla</b>                        | National and Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM)        | University of Oulu, Finland                                   |
| 4  | <b>Nilam Yashwant Bhosale</b>               | IIG, India   | NASA Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC)                       |
| 5  | <b>Nilesh Chauhan</b>                       | IIG, India   | ISEE, Nagoya Univ.  |
| 6  | <b>Anoruo Chukwuma Moses</b>                | Univ. of Nigeria   | ISEE, Nagoya Univ.  |
| 7  | <b>Gourav Mitra</b>                         | Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad, India             | Leibniz Inst. For Atmospheric Physics                         |
| 8  | <b>Hagar Mohamed Salah Hussein</b>          | Helwan University, Egypt                                   | NASRDA, Nigeria   |
| 9  | <b>Maheswaran Veera Kumar</b>               | Sastra University, Thanjavur, India                        | ISEE, Nagoya Univ.  |
| 10 | <b>Onyinye Gift Nwankwo</b>                 | University of Michigan, MI, USA                            | ISEE, Nagoya Univ.  |
| 11 | <b>Stephan Owino Omondi</b>                 | Egypt Japan Univ. of Science and Technology                | Kyushu University   |
| 12 | <b>Taiwo Olusayo Osanyin</b>                | INPE, Brazil   | SANSA   |
| 13 | <b>Pankaj K Soni</b>                        | Indian Institute of Geomagnetism, Navi Mumbai, India       | ISEE, Nagoya Univ.  |
| 14 | <b>Pooja Devi</b>                           | Kumaun University, Nainital, India                         | NASA/GSFC   |
| 15 | <b>Rahul Rathi</b>                          | Indian Institute of Technology. Uttarakhand, India         | ISEE, Nagoya Univ.  |
| 16 | <b>Srikar Paavan Tadepalli</b>              | IIG, India, Indian Institute of Technology                 | NASA Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC)                       |
| 17 | <b>Sunil Kumar</b>                          | PRL, India   | Leibniz Inst. For Atmospheric Physics                         |
| 18 | <b>Theogene Ndacyayisenga</b>               | University of Rwanda                                       | NASRDA, Nigeria   |
| 19 | <b>Rukundo Wellen</b>                       | Egypt Japan University of Science and Technology (E-JUST). | ISEE, Nagoya Univ.  |
| 20 | <b>Mr Yogesh</b>                            | Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad, India             | NASA Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC)                       |



# Capacity Building Schools

## Schools in 2022

1. Iberian Space Weather School, June 6-10, 2022, University of Alcalá, **Spain**
2. The 2<sup>nd</sup> summer school on Space research, technology and application, 3-10 July 2022, National Astronomical Observatory (NAO) – Rozhen, **Bulgaria**
3. 5th edition of the ISWI Maghreb Afrique de l'Ouest (IMAO) school, Houphouët Boigny University, Abidjan, 17-28 October, 2022, **Côte d'Ivoire**
4. “The International Workshop on Machine Learning for Space Weather: Fundamentals, Tools and Future Prospects”, 7-11 November 2022 in **Argentina**
5. 10th VERSIM Workshop and School, VLF/ELF Remote Sensing of Ionosphere and Magnetosphere, 7-11 November 2022, Sodankyla Geophysical Observatory, **Finland**



Iberian Space Weather School



5th edition of the ISWI Maghreb Afrique de l'Ouest (IMAO) school



Workshop on Machine Learning for Space Weather group photo.

**#16 Topic: Response of the Earth's middle atmosphere to solar particle forcing**

Speaker: **Pekka Verronen**, FMI/SGO, University of Oulu, Finland

Date and Time: Oct 25 (Tue), 2022, 08:00-09:00 UTC

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**#15 Topic: Global properties of solar flares and some recent sun-as-a-star discoveries**

Speaker: **Hugh Hudson** (Affiliation: University of Glasgow, Glasgow, UK)

Date/Time: September 08 (Thu), 2022, 09:00-10:00 UTC

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**#14 Topic: Space weather ionospheric effects at high latitude**

Speaker: **Lucilla Alfonsi** (Istituto Nazionale di Geofisica e Vulcanologia, Italy)

Date/time: July 12 (Tue), 2022, 09:00-10:00 UTC

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**#13 Topic: Space weather monitoring with the Super Dual Auroral Radar Network (SuperDARN)**

Speaker: **Evan Thomas** (Dartmouth College, New Hampshire, USA)

Date/time: April 28 (Thu), 2022, 10:00-11:00 UTC

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Lecture Coordinator: Dr. Claudia Martinez-Calderon  
(ISEE, Nagoya Univ.)

**#12 Topic: Space Weather Geoelectromagnetic effects**

Speaker: **Martin Connors** (Athabasca University, Alberta, Canada)

Date/time: March 31 (Thu), 2021, 01:30-02:30 UTC

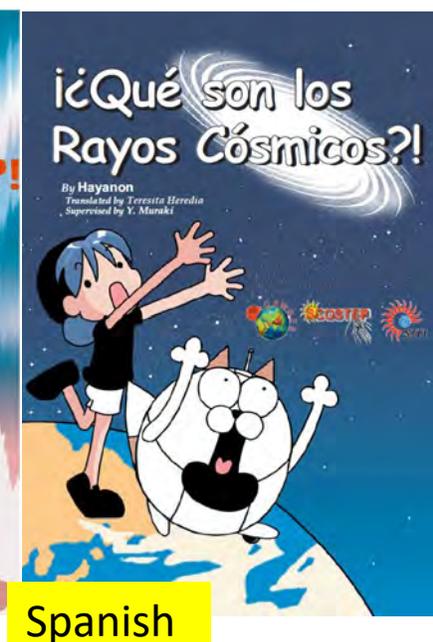
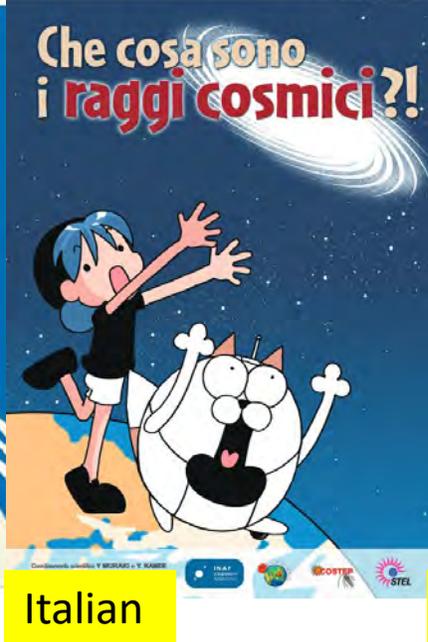
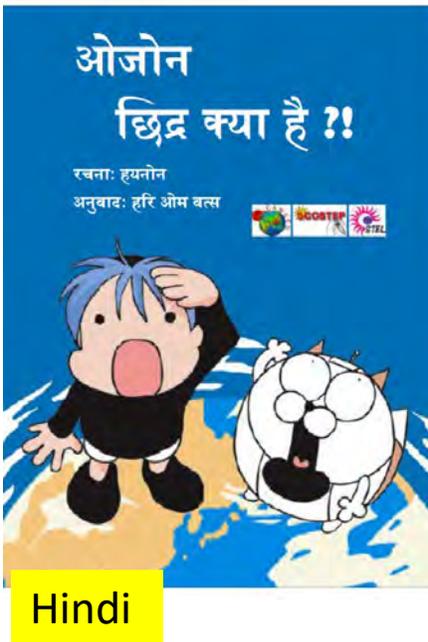
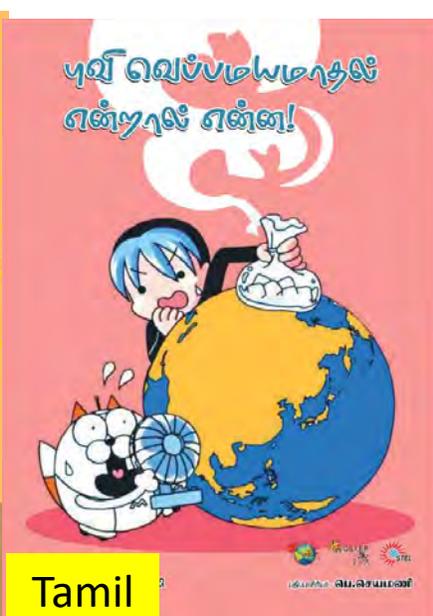
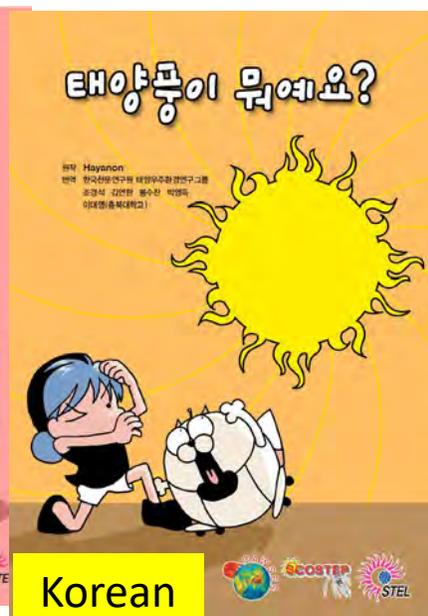
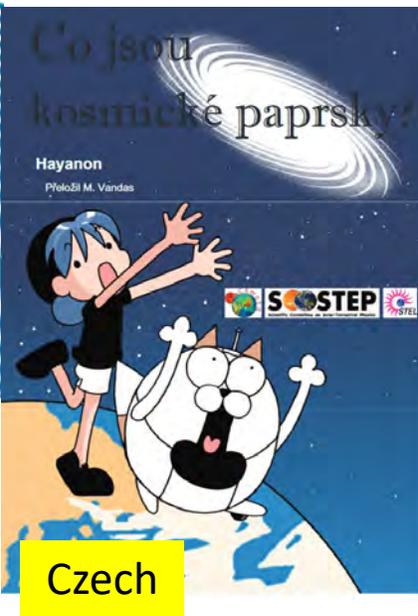
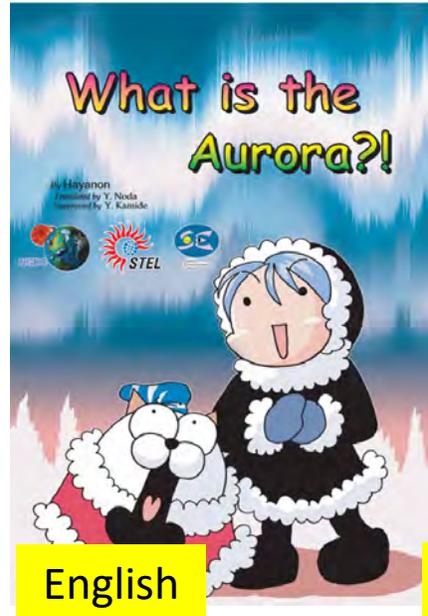
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**#11 Topic: The energetics of sprites: New results from South Africa**

Speaker: **Michael Kosch** (South African National Space Agency, Hermanus, South Africa)

Date/time: January 27 (Thu), 2021, 11:00-12:00 UTC

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# Summary

- **PRESTO** is the current **SCOSTEP** scientific program to run during **2020-2024 to understand Predictability of the variable Solar-Terrestrial Coupling**
- Scientists from more than 70 countries participate in the PRESTO program to **understand predictability of space weather and solar effect on climate.**
- Solar terrestrial science will reach as many **developing countries** as possible via SCOSTEP's **capacity building and outreach activities.**

**PRESTO: Predictability of the variable Solar-Terrestrial Coupling**

**SCOSTEP: Scientific Committee on Solar-Terrestrial Physics**