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ASIA-PACIFIC REGIONAL SPACE AGENCY FORUM

20 Years of History and the Future of the Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum (APRSAF)

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What is APRSAF?



APRSAF - Regional Space Cooperation Framework:

- 1. Largest space community in the Asia-Pacific region
- A regional forum for space agencies, involving organizations using space technologies
- 3. Work on contributing socio-economic benefits in the region
- Objectives: To promote and expand space activities and their applications for socio-economic development in Asia and the Pacific.
- Participants: Space agencies, governmental bodies, international organizations, universities, research institutions, private entities involved in space activities.
- Organizers: Japan (MEXT, JAXA) and local host organizations.

20th Anniversary of APRSAF





1st APRSAF (1993)

Approx. 60 Participants

Countries & Organizations

1993

2013

19th APRSAF (2012)

■380 Participants

47 Countries & Organizations



1992 ISY

Establishment of APRSAF



1992: International Space Year (ISY)

- ■The United Nations and international space community validated the ISY in 1992. ■
- ■In the Asia- Pacific region, two ISY related conferences were held:
 - Pre Asia-Pacific ISY Conference in Tokyo in March
 - Asia-Pacific ISY Conference (APIC) in Tokyo in November





Establishment of "Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum" was proposed at the closing ceremony of APIC.

1993: 1st APRSAF in Tokyo

Regional Space Cooperation

Increasing local host countries and new projects derived from APRSAF framework





1998 APRSAF-5 Mongolia





First APRSAF held outside Japan



2001 APRSAF-8 Malaysia









Theme: New Space Age in the Asia and Pacific Region
4 working groups established



2003 APRSAF-9 Korea





Theme: Beneficial Space Application for the Region Recommended in order to reinforce secretariat function









Theme: New Space Age in the Asia and Pacific Region Discussed to promote cooperation on space application



2004 APRSAF-11 Australia





Theme: Toward Expansion of the Space Community

Sentinel Asia initiative established

2006 APRSAF-13 Indonesia





Theme: Work Together, Building a Secure and Prosperous Society

Recognized the need to make further efforts to enhance disaster

management by using space technologies



2007 APRSAF-14 India





Theme: Space for Human Empowerment
Successful completion of pilot project (step 1) of Sentinel Asia



2008 APRSAF-15 Vietnam









Theme: Space for Sustainable Development SAFE initiative established, over 200 participants







Theme: Space Applications: Contributions towards Human Safety and Security

Over 300 participants



2010 APRSAF-17 Australia





Theme: The role of space technology in addressing climate change Panel Discussion on "The Role of Space Technology in Addressing Climate Change" and Special Session on "Regional Capacity Building Programs"



2011 APRSAF-18 **Singapore**





Theme: A regional collaboration for tomorrow's environment Climate R3 initiative established, special astronaut event "Asians in Space: Achievements of Human Spaceflight in Asian Countries" held



2012 APRSAF-19 Malaysia





Theme: Enriching the quality of life through innovative space programs Kibo-ABC initiative established

APRSAF Activities















SEU WG

SEA WG

Disaster Monitoring - Sentinel Asia -

Environment Monitoring -SAFE (Space Application for Environment) -









EO WG

CSA WG

Regional Readiness Review For Key Climate Missions - CR³ -

Asian Beneficial Collaboration through "Kibo" Utilization - Kibo-ABC -

Related Activities



UNiversity International FOrmation Mission - UNIFORM -



Global Navigation Satellite System - GNSS - **Exhibition**

Side Events

Successful Outcomes (1)

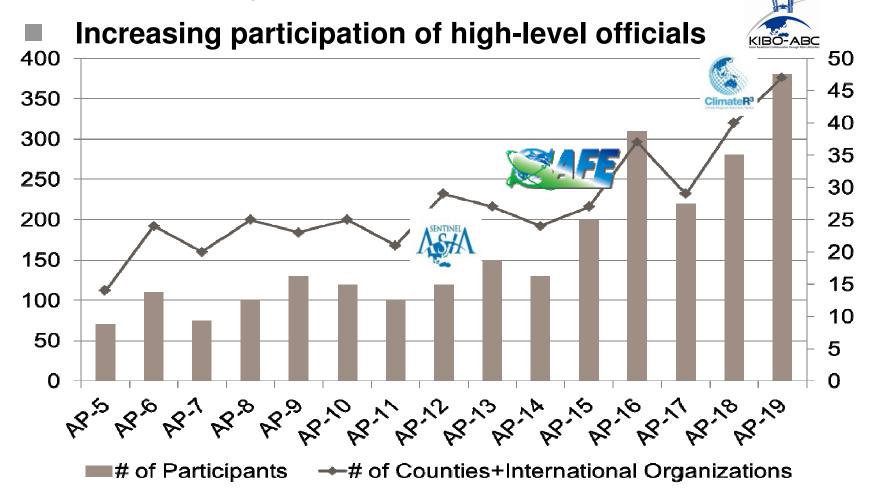


- 1. Increased the focus on using space technologies to solve socio-economic problems in the region.
 - Establishment of working groups:
 - Earth Observation
 - Communication Satellite Applications
 - Space Education and Awareness
 - Space Environment Utilization
- 2. Started several cooperative projects
 - Disaster Management (Sentinel Asia)
 - Environment (SAFE)
 - Climate Change (Climate R3)
 - Utilization of the International Space Station (Kibo-ABC)
 - Education (Space education seminars, water rocket contest, etc.)

Successful Outcomes (2)



- 3. Became the largest space community in the Asia-Pacific region
 - Increasing the number of participants and participating countries/organizations



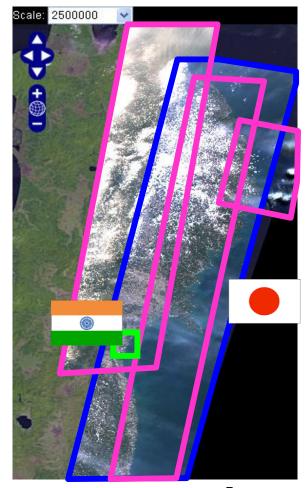
Successful Outcomes (3)

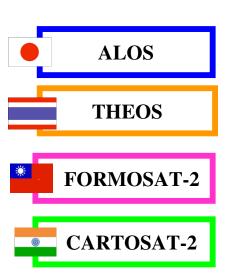
- Disaster Monitoring via Sentinel Asia



After the Great East Japan Earthquake in 2011, satellite data were provided through Sentinel Asia framework, which allows us to observe and monitor affected areas quickly.







13 March

14 March

The Next 20 years and Beyond



- 20 years after its inception, it is now time to review the past and to think about the next 20 years and beyond.
- Circumstances around the world and Asia-Pacific region have changed.
- How APRSAF should change looking ahead at the next 20 years and beyond?
 - Address issues of common interest and create new values in the Asia-Pacific region
 - Strengthen the space community to accomplish mission that cannot be accomplished by one country
 - The Executive Committee (ExCom) has been established in 2012 to change the operation system
 - Long-term vision of APRSAF will be discussed at the next APRSAF, to be held on 3-6 December, 2013, in Vietnam.

APRSAF-19: in Malaysia





- ■Theme: Enriching the quality of life through innovative space programs
- Approximately 380 participants
 - from 33 countries
 - 14 international organizations; e.g. UNCOPUOS, UNESCAP, GEO, IAF, ADB, APSCO

APRSAF-20: in Vietnam



■Theme:

"Values from Space: 20 Years of Asia-Pacific Experiences"



- Dates and venue:
 - 3-6 December, 2013, Hanoi
- Co-organizers:

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- APRSAF Activities:
 - SAFE Workshop
 - Kibo-ABC Workshop
 - Poster Contest
 - Water Rocket Event
 - Industrial Exhibition



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We are looking forward to your participation!

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