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SPACE AGENCY FORUM

# ASIA-PACIFIC REGIONAL SPACE AGENCY FORUM

20 years of history and regional cooperation framework towards a new era.

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### **APRSAF: Principles**

#### Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum



#### Goal

■To promote and expand space activities and their applications for socio-economic development in Asia and the Pacific.

#### **Objectives**

- ■Provide a forum where agencies and international organizations in the Asia-Pacific region gather to exchange views, opinions and information on space activities;
- ■Identify and undertake measures to contribute to the sustainable development in the region.
- ■Promote and expand mutually beneficial cooperation in the region.

#### **Approach**

- Open and flexible framework for cooperation;
- ■Participation on a voluntary basis;
- ■Launching projects to address issues of common interest in the region.





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#### **Participation**

- ■Space agencies
- ■Governmental bodies
- ■International organizations
- Universities
- ■Research institutions
- Private entities involved in space activities.

#### **Organizers**

- ■MEXT, JAXA
- ■Local host organizations.





### **APRSAF:** Structure

Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum



APRSAF

ANNUAL MEETING

**Plenary Session** 





WG

**CSA** WG

SEA WG

SEU WG















#### **APRSAF: Initiatives**

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**APRSAF** establishes 4 initiatives to implement concrete actions.

#### Sentinel Asia (2005~):

**Disaster Mangement** 



#### SAFE (2008~):

**Space Applications For Environment** 



#### Climate R<sup>3</sup> (2011~):

Regional Readiness Review for Key Climate Missions





#### Kibo-ABC(2012~):

Asian Beneficial Collaboration through "Kibo" Utilization



#### **APRSAF: Side Events**



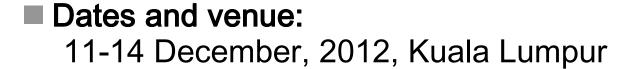
### **APRSAF-19:** in Malaysia

Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum



#### ■Theme:

"Enriching the quality of life through innovative space programs"





#### ■ Co-organizers:

MOSTI (ANGKASA ANGKASA MEXTINGUIS JAXA)





#### Support:

- Office of National Space Policy, Cabinet Office, Government of Japan
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (MOFA)

#### ■ Side Events:

- SAFE Workshop, Kibo-ABC Workshop,
- Poster Contest, Water Rocket Event, Industrial Exhibition,
- Workshop on the protection on Space environment

### **APRSAF-19:** in Malaysia



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Approximately 380 participants
 from 33 countries
 14 international organizations;
 e.g. UNCOPUOS, UNESCAP, GEO, IAF, ADB, APSCO









## New approach towards the

APRSAF next era Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum

**Establishment of an Executive Committee(ExCom):** 

a) Functions & Responsibilities:

- To shape the agenda for the annual sessions

To help accomplish general objectives
 & implement decisions of APRSAF

- To indicate directions to the WGs

- To review new proposals for initiatives

b) Membership of ExCom:

(i) Up to 5 members from the immediate past, present and confirmed future co-organizers of APRSAF;

<u>Inaugural members of the Executive Committee</u>: ANGKASA, CRISP, JAXA, STI/VAST and a host organization of APRSAF- 21 in 2014

(ii) Representatives of the working groups:



#### **Next: APRSAF-20**

#### Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum





VIFTNAN



- Dates and venue: 3-6 December 2013, Hanoi, Vietnam
- Co-organizers:
  - <Vietnam> Vietnam Academy of Science Technology (VAST),
  - <Japan> Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports,
    - Science and Technology of Japan (MEXT),
    - Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)
- Side Events: (tentative)
  - Water Rocket Event
  - > SAFE Workshop
  - Kibo-ABC Workshop
  - Poster Contest







