
AGENDA

The Ninth GEOSS Asia-Pacific Symposium: “Earth Observations Supporting the Implementation of the SDGs in the Asia Pacific Region”

Tokyo International Exchange Center, Plaza Heisei in Tokyo

11 – 13 January 2017, Tokyo, Japan

Wednesday 11 January 2017 – Plenary (3rd floor International Conference Hall)

- 10:00-10:30 Registration – Morning Coffee
- 10:30-10:35 Opening
GEO Secretariat
- 10:35-10:40 Welcome by Host Country
Mr. Taido TANOSE, Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
- 10:40-11:40 Keynote Speech
“Sustainable development and SDGs in Asia Pacific region (TBC)”
Dr. Sanjaasuren Oyun, President of the United Nations Environment Assembly of UNEP/ Chair of the Global Water Partnership
“Contribution of Science and Technology in implementation of SDGs (TBC)”
Dr. Teruo Kishi, Science and Technology Advisor to the Minister for Foreign Affairs
- 11:40-12:00 GEOSS Activity Report
GEO Secretariat
- 12:00-13:15 Lunch -
- 13:15-15:15 Country and Regional Reports on GEOSS-related Activities (10 min. each)
Japan, Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Israel, Malaysia, Nepal, Pakistan, Vietnam, Asia-Pacific Network for Global Change Research (APN), Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum (APRSAF), Asia Pacific Space Cooperation Organisation (APSCO), United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
- 15:15-15:30 Introduction of the Asia-Oceania GEOSS Initiative
- 15:30-16:00 Coffee Break –
- 16:00-17:30 Special Session 1: The role of Earth Observations in relation to Global Challenges such as SDGs
- 18:00-20:00 Hosted Reception at 3F Main Foyer –

Thursday 12 January 2017 - Parallel Sessions (3rd floor Media Hall and 4th floor Conference Rooms)

- 09:00-09:15 Registration - Morning Coffee
- 09:15-17:30 Parallel Sessions:
WG1: GEOSS Asian Water Cycle Initiative (AWCI);
WG2: Asia-Pacific Biodiversity Observation Network (AP-BON);
WG3: The GEO Carbon and GHG Initiative;
WG4: Ocean and Society in the AP Region;
WG5: Agriculture and Food Security.
- 12:00- Lunch -
- 15:00- Afternoon Coffee-

Friday 13 January 2017 - Plenary (3rd floor International Conference Hall)

- 09:30-09:45 Registration - Morning Coffee
- 09:45-10:45 Reports from Each Session (WG1-5)
- WG1: GEOSS Asian Water Cycle Initiative (AWCI)
 - WG2: Asia-Pacific Biodiversity Observation Network (AP-BON)
 - WG3: The GEO Carbon and GHG Initiative
 - WG4: Ocean and Society in the AP Region
 - WG5: Agriculture and Food Security
- 10:45-12:00 Special Session 2 and Symposium Summary: Earth Observations and SDGs from the perspective of Asia Pacific Region
- 12:00-12:15 Closing Remarks
GEO Secretariat
- 13:30-15:30 Asia-Oceania GEOSS Initiative ad-hoc Coordination Board meeting