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GNSS, SPACE WEATHER and CAPACITY BUILDING

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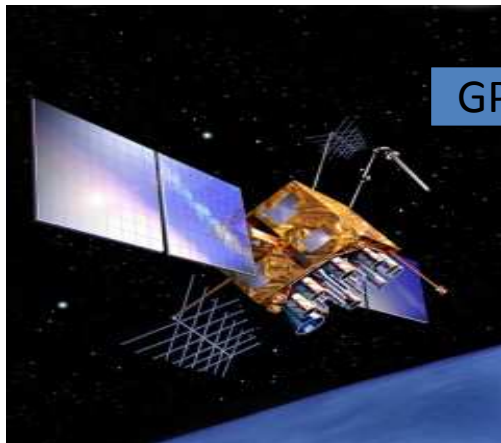
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- GPS → GNSS
- Space Weather
- Capacity Building

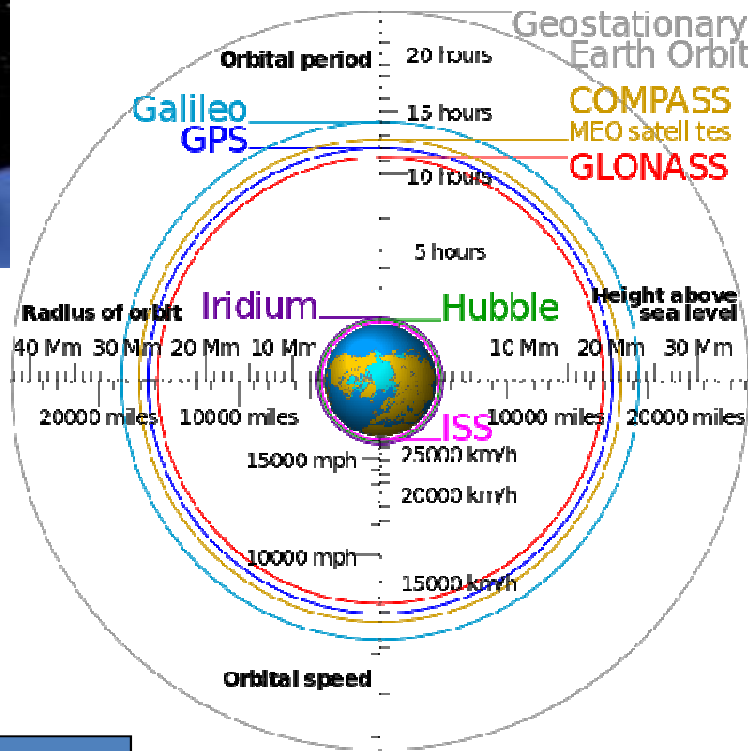
- Last decade : mainly GPS -> Now -> GNSS
- Research and applications



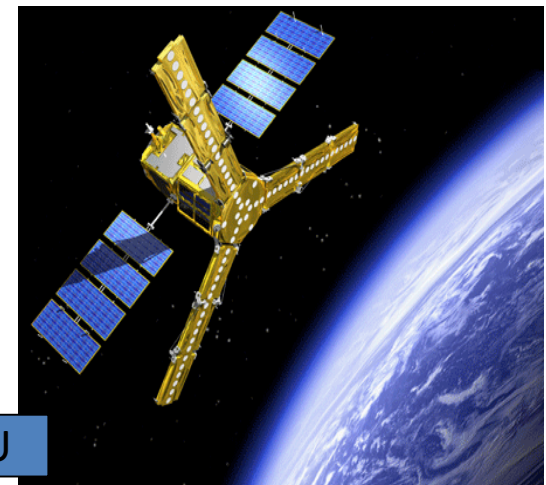
GPS IIR



GLONASS K1



GIOVE-B



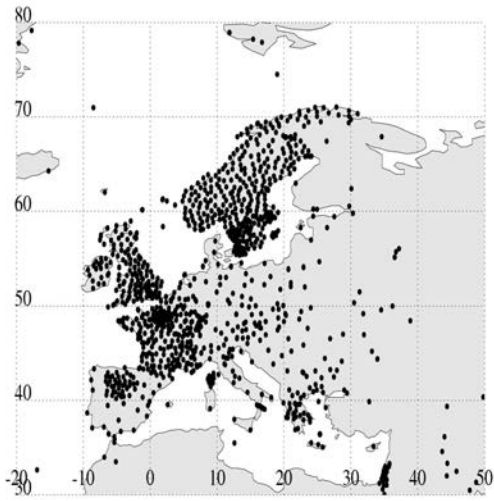
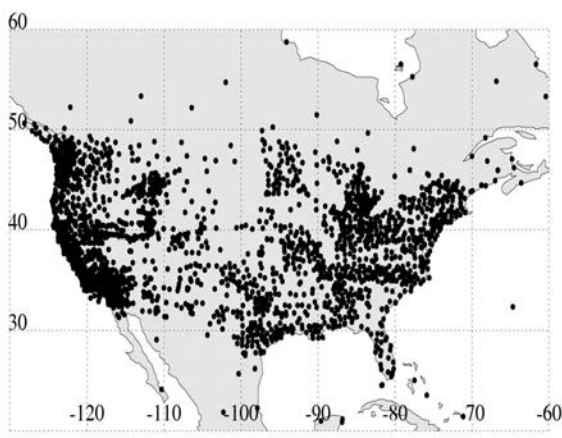
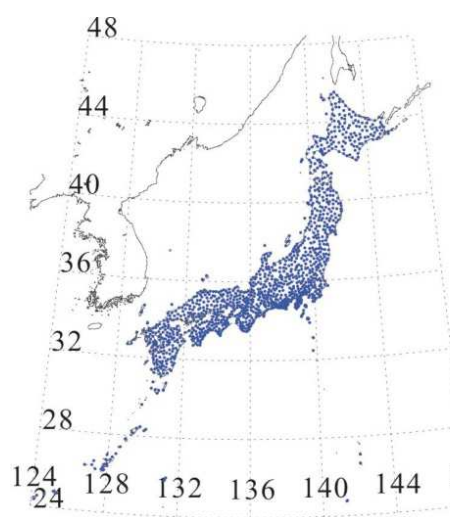
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GPS :the most larger network of scientific ground based measurements

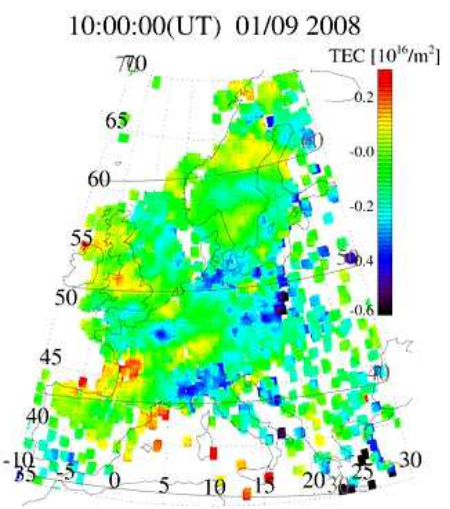
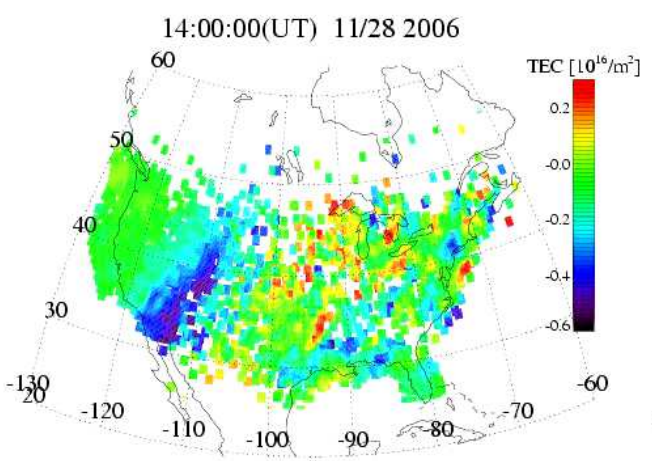
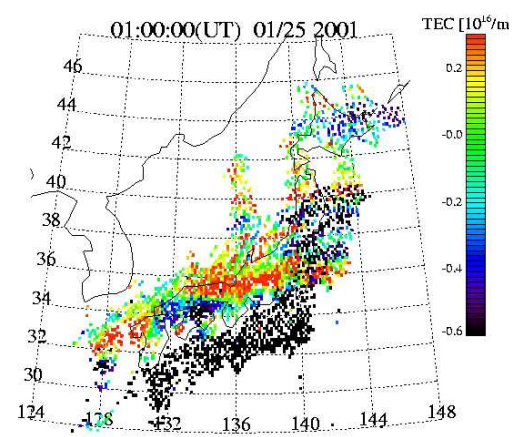
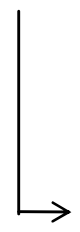
JAPAN
~1,200 receivers

N. America
~2,700 receivers

Europe
~1,200 receivers

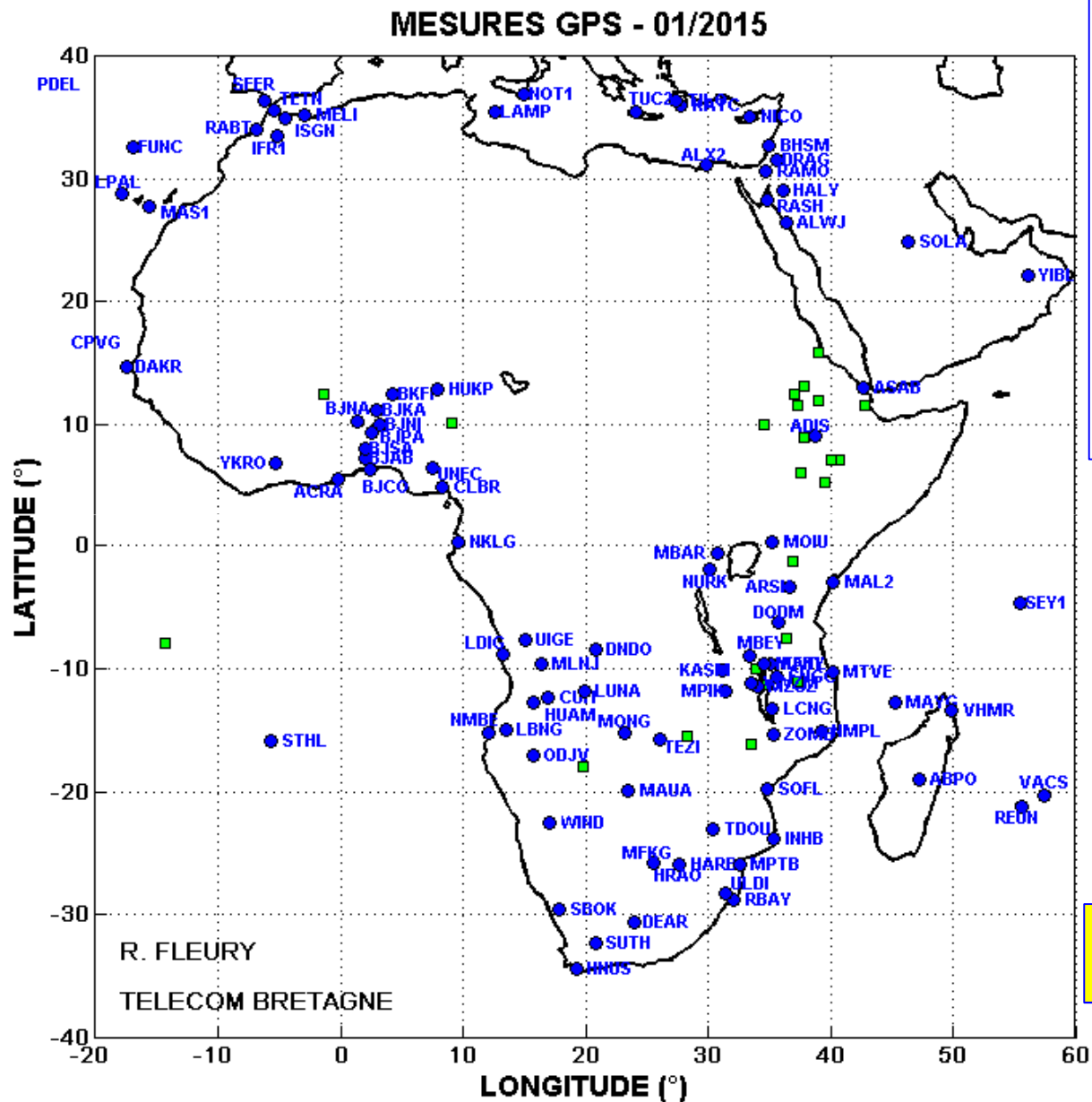


Detrended
TEC Map
(60-min
Window)



Provided by T. Tsugawa (NCIT, JAPAN)

GPS stations available on the web-2015



Increase of GNSS stations in Africa
 ~50 to ~150
 2010 to 2015
 Mainly due to
 GEODESY

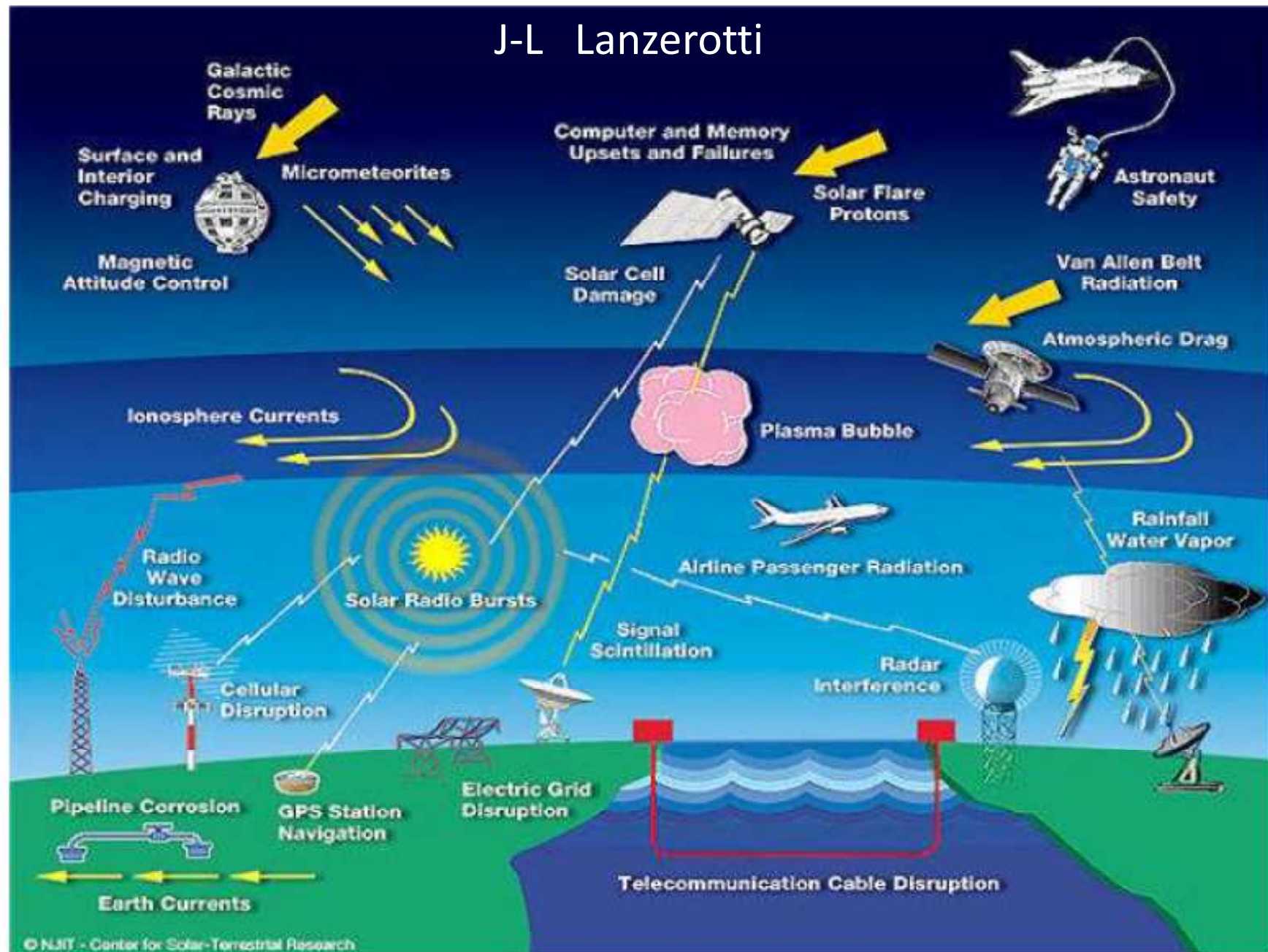
Many other GPS networks
 Algeria (~60), Burkina Faso (~10),
 Egypt (~ 10), Morocco (~25)
 Rwanda(~10), South Africa (~60)
 DRC (~15) > 200
 => Work of AGS

Necessity TO SHARE

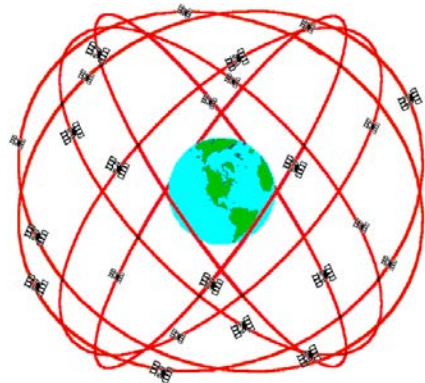
Space Weather : effects on GNSS

Integration of Physical processes in the Sun Earth system / effects on new technologies

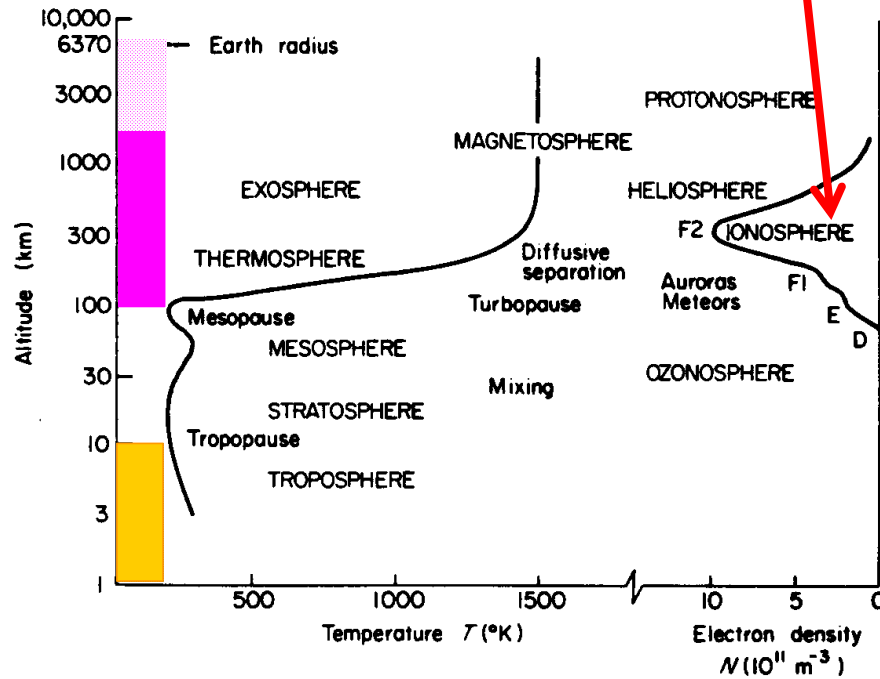
J-L Lanzerotti



The satellite signal is strongly modified by ionosphere and troposphere



TEC



LAYERS

> 600 km

EXOSPHERE

few collisions, Particles follow ballistic orbit

80-600 km

THERMOSPHERE

Ionization by the solar X-EUV radiation

IONOSPHERE, TEC and scintillations

30-80 km

MESOSPHERE

Absorption of the radiation UV by the ozone layer

11-30 km

STRATOSPHERE

Turbulence

0-11 km

TROPOSPHERE

Meteorological phenomena

Water Vapour content

TEC : Total Electron Content

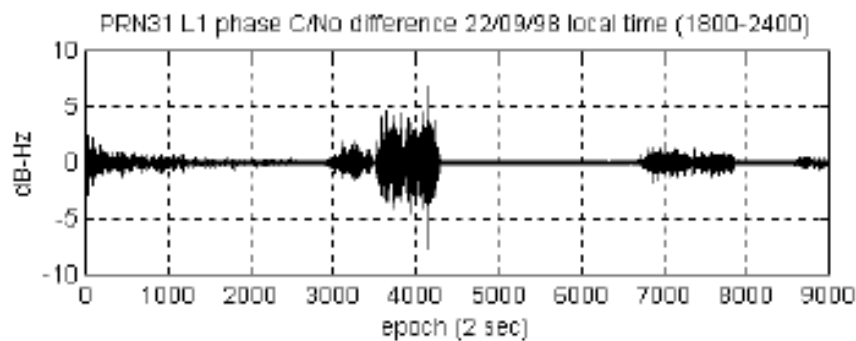
Ionospheric propagation



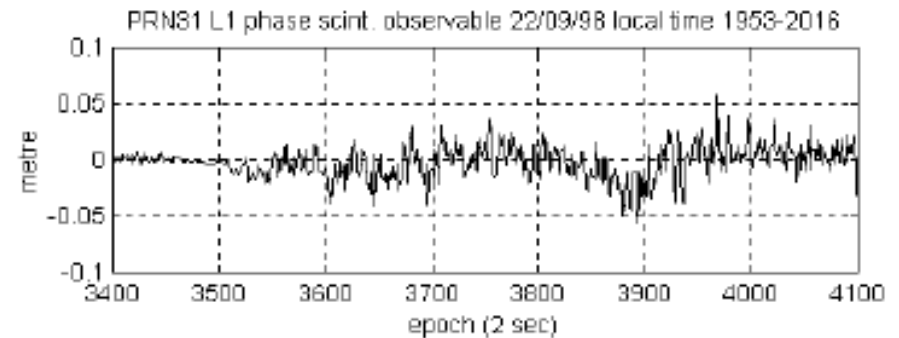
Scintillations

Fluctuations of the signal due to the inhomogeneity of the medium

Scintillations of amplitude

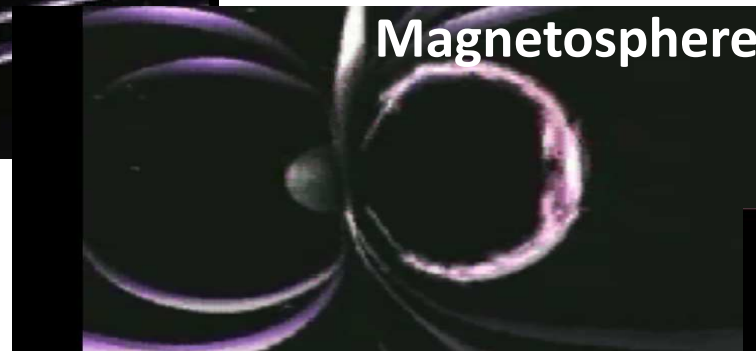
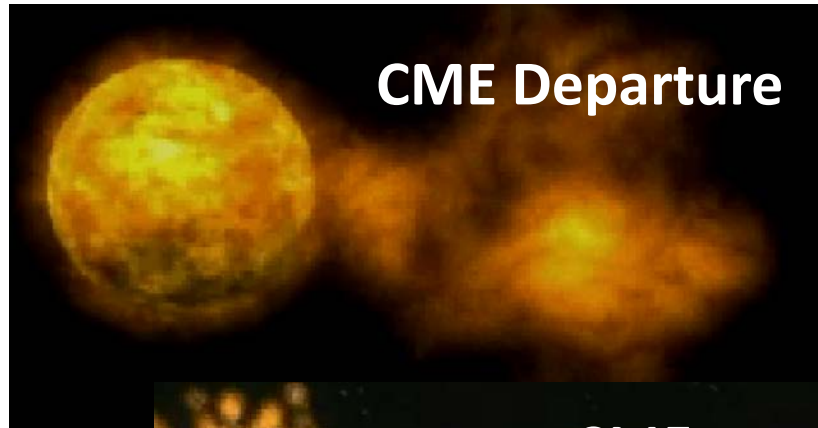


Scintillations of phase



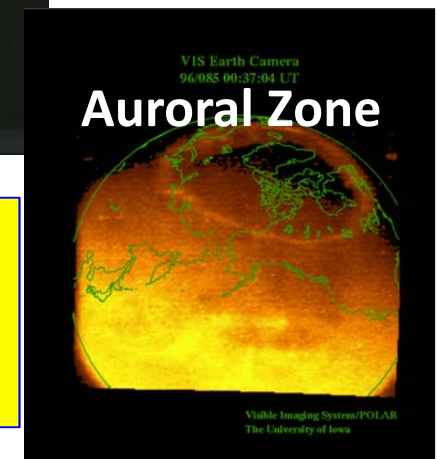
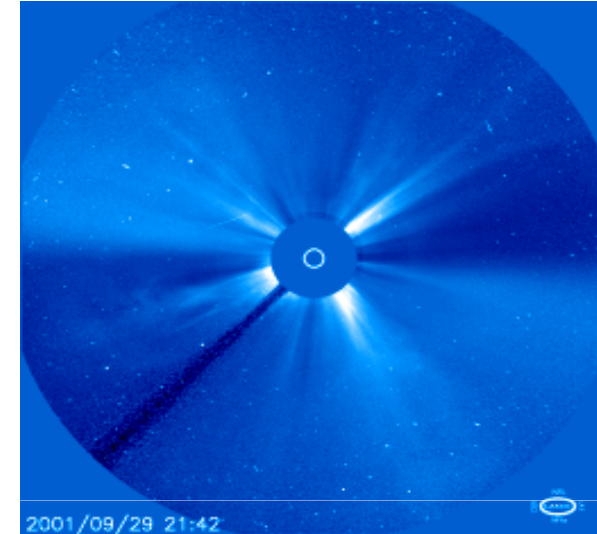
Echelles : ± 3 rad.

FROM the SUN to the EARTH



SOHO

Coronal Mass Ejection
Billions tons of matter ejected



NECESSITY TO TRAIN IN SPACE WEATHER ALL OVER THE WORLD

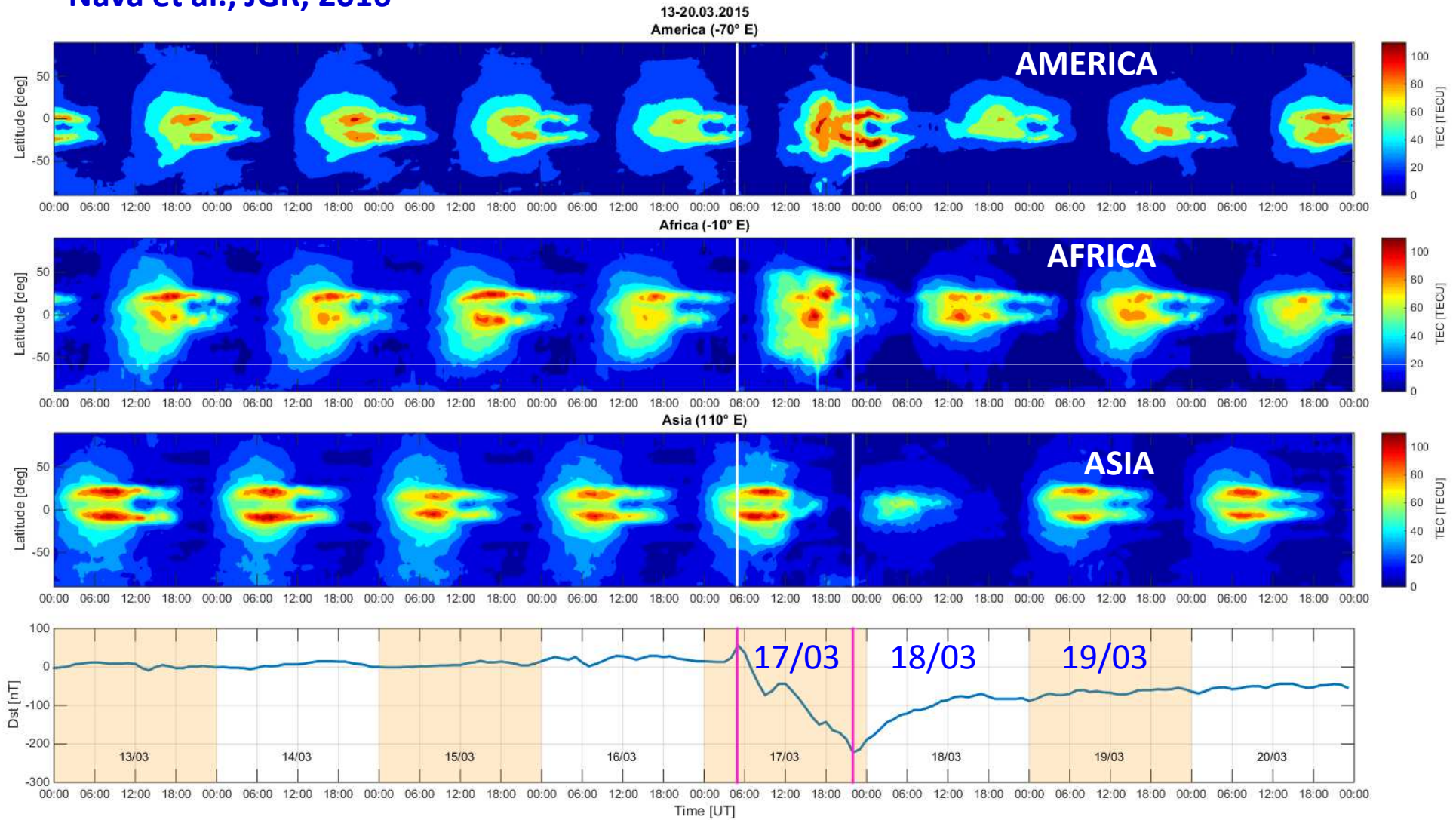
⇒ **Merging of different scientific disciplines**

⇒ **Connection between Research and Applications**

At equatorial latitudes : TEC variations on St Patrick's day storm

Physics of the connections between auroral and equatorial regions

Nava et al., JGR, 2016



At the Equator : necessity to deploy scientific tools

Capacity building , Space Weather and use of GNSS
Training and Research

Training by scientists : scientific research

School for all scientists using GPS

Basic GPS observables

- Code (pseudo-range):

$$P_i = \rho + c \cdot (dt - dT) + d_{iono} + d_{tropo} + v_P$$

- Phase (differenced wrt phase of local oscillator)

$$\Phi_i = \rho + c \cdot (dt - dT) + \lambda \cdot N - d_{iono} + d_{tropo} + v_\Phi$$

The diagram shows the equation $\Phi_i = \rho + c \cdot (dt - dT) + \lambda \cdot N - d_{iono} + d_{tropo} + v_\Phi$ with arrows pointing from each term to its physical meaning:

- ρ : Distance Receiver-satellite
- $c \cdot (dt - dT)$: Clock offsets (dt = receiver, dT = satellite)
- $\lambda \cdot N$: Integer phase ambiguity number
- $-d_{iono}$: Ionospheric delay
- d_{tropo} : Tropospheric delay
- v_Φ : Noise errors



CONGO 2009 [IHY]

EGYPT 2010 [ISWI]



DRC 2011 [ISWI]



PHD in AFRICA



Scientific projects in the framework of UNBSSI United Nations Basic Space Science Initiative

IEEY: International Equatorial Electrojet year /1992-1994/

IHY: International Heliophysical Year /2007-2009/

ISWI: International Space Weather Initiative / 2010-2012/

=> Friendly framework ISWI

Methodology

Schools

Distribution of tools and constitution of data base

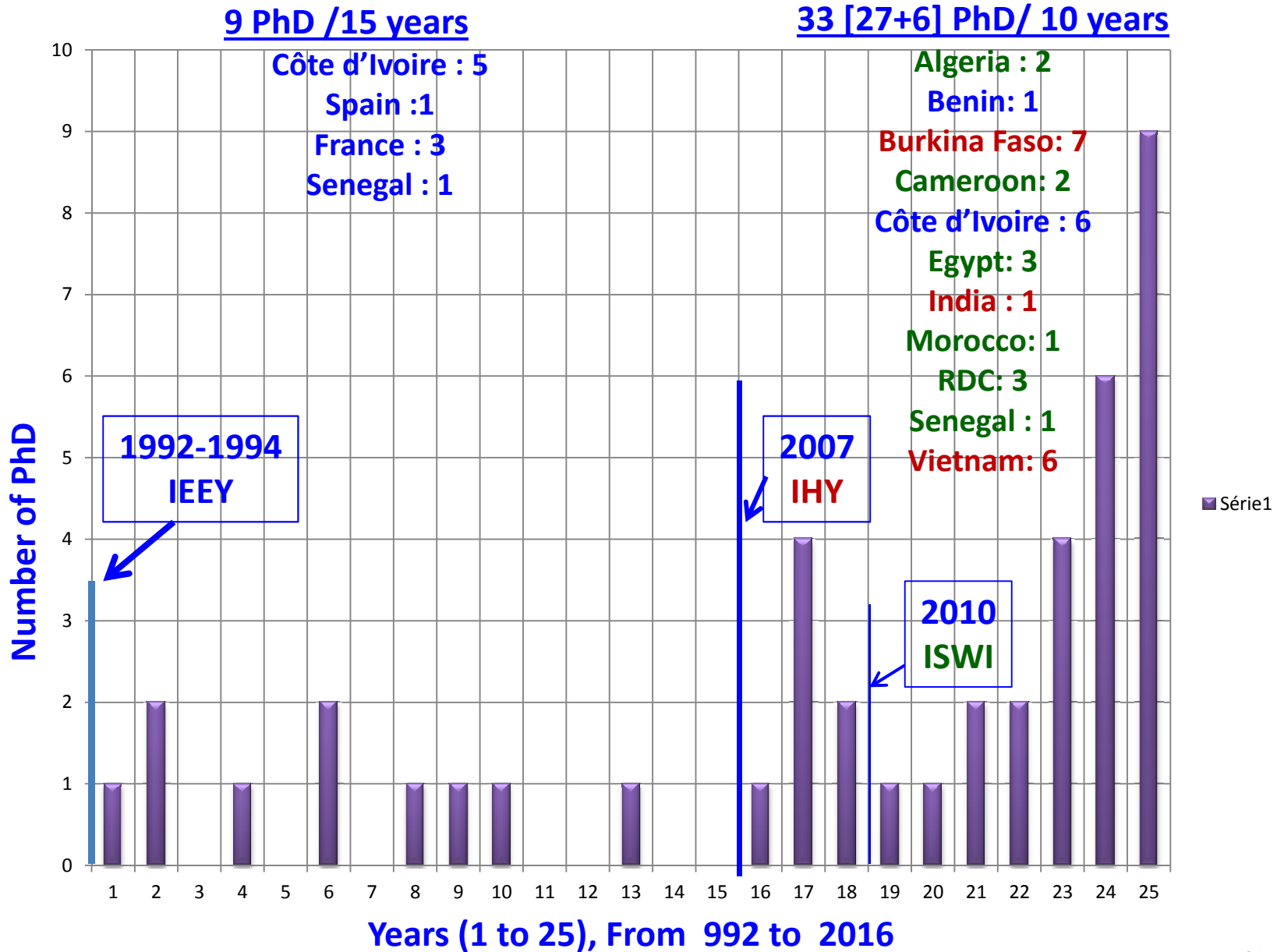
PhD students

Positions at University

Curricula in Universities

Network ISWI : <http://www.iswi-secretariat.org> 84 countries



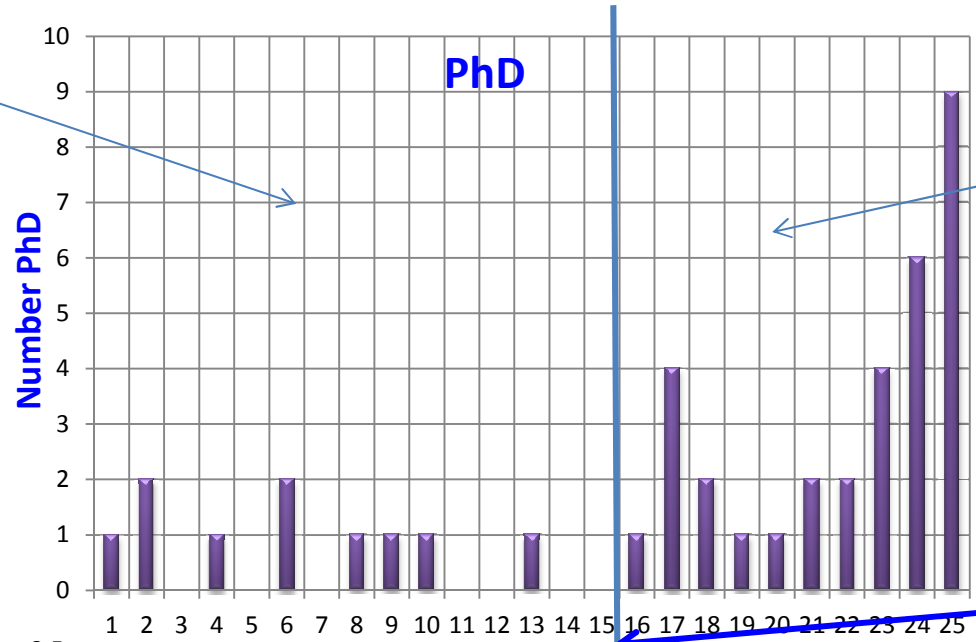


Results of the GIRGEA network 24 countries of ISWI network

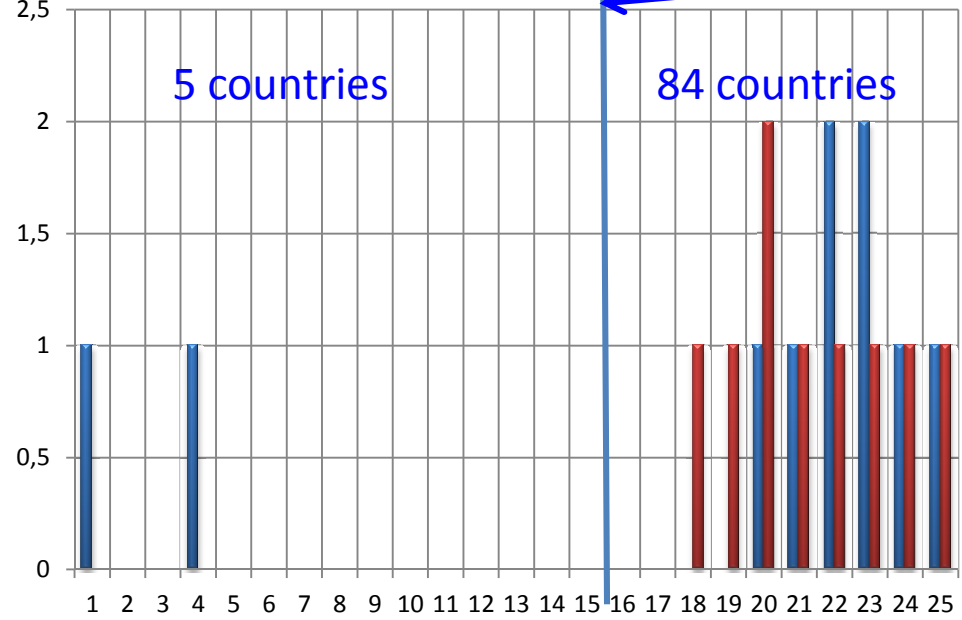


1 observatory in Côte d'Ivoire with expensive tools

Networks of Cheap instruments
GPS
Magnetometers
Etc...



2007



Schools
Physics — (blue)
GPS — (red)

Results of the GIRGEA network 24 countries of ISWI network



PERMANENT : TRAINING BY INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS and RESEARCH NETWORKS



T/ICT4D Abdus Salam ICTP + Boston College essentially : inospheric effects on GNSS/Space weather, several schools each year at Trieste (20-24 June 2016)

CRASTE-LF



Master of GNSS in the Regional Centers (affiliated to UN), by the past essentially on global positionning and now Space Weather, Master (Web) in Plasma Physics ,



Permanent project of SCOSTEP and UN : 1 event each year [school or workshop on Space Weather] (7-17 November 2016 in India)



A school on Space Weather, each 2 year organized in North or West Africa by scientists with the CRASTE-LF (12-28 October 2017)

- African countries with a coordinator ISWI (20 among 82 = 24%)
- Countries with tool and no coordinator ISWI (13)
- Training at university (12) ■ UN / Regional Schools



Conclusion

- There are 54 countries in AFRICA:
 - only 33 are concerned by ISWI,
 - only 12 are developing curricula at University
- => we have to pursue capacity building in AFRICA in order to reach all the countries
- Interest of connection between research and application
 - : to predict the impact of solar events on Earth's environment and perform GNSS/EGNOS