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INTERNATIONAL SPACE WEATHER INITIATIVE (ISWI) 2011

UN / NIGERIA WORKSHOP

October 17th - 21st, 2011, Abuja, Nigeria



International Scientific Organizing Committee

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VENUE

REIZ CONTINENTAL HOTEL

Central District, Abuja.

www.reizcontinentalhotel.com



Hosted by: Centre for Basic Space Science (CBSS)



Venue

- The workshop took place at the Reiz Continental Hotel , Plot 779,Cadastral Zone A0,Central District, Abuja, Nigeria. All meetings, seminars and poster presentation took place within various halls/rooms reserved within the hotel premises for convenience.

Accommodation

- International participants with UN/NASA/JAXA travel support were provided with accommodation within the venue of the Workshop; i.e., at Reiz Intercontinental hotel.
- International participants with support from SERC, Kyushu University, Japan lodged at the Royalton Hotel, Gongola Steet, Area 2, Garki, Abuja.
- Local (Nigerian participants) with full support were accommodated at the Harmonia Hotels, Plot 896, Gimbiya Street /3 Onitsha Crescent, Area 11 Garki, Abuja.

The Programme

- The opening was chaired by a distinguished senator of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and the chairman of the Senate Committee on Science and Technology, Professor Ajayi Robert Boroffice. The workshop was declared open by the Honorable Minister of Science and Technology of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Professor Ita Ewa, who was represented by the Director of Information and Communication Technology ICT in the Ministry
- Thereafter other scientific activities followed
- One unique feature of the workshop was the video presentation of NASA scientists who could not make it physically to the meeting.

The Programme

- One hundred and four abstracts were accepted for the meeting. 31 were classified as oral presentation while the remaining 73 were presented as posters.
- The workshop was brought to a close on 21st October 2011 with a short closing session which featured presentation of awards to members of International Steering Committee of ISWI present at the meeting
- recognition of contributions of Professor Hans Haubold to the development of Basic Space Science in Nigeria and his declaration as the Moon of Nigeria.

Summary of Participation

- In all about 100 participants

1. Austria
2. Brazil
3. Bulgaria
4. Cote D'Ivoire
5. Croatia
6. Democratic Republic Of Congo (DRC)
7. Ecuador
8. Egypt
9. Ethiopia
10. Ghana
11. India
12. Indonesia
13. Iraq
14. Japan
15. Niger
16. Nigeria
17. Peru
18. Slovakia
19. Turkey
20. Zambia

Sponsorship

- UNOOSA/ICG provided travel support and DSA for 12 participants from developing countries
- NASA provided travel support and DSA for 14 participants
- SERC, Kyushu University, Japan provided travel and lodging for 5 participants.
- Slovak Central Observatory, Hurbanovo, Slovakia and Centro De Radio Astronomia E Astrofisica, São Paulo, Brazil sponsored participation of one person each to the meeting. Other sponsors are IAU, COSPAR, JAXA
- Nigerian Government provided lodging and feeding for 25 participants from developing countries and 40 Nigerian participants.