

Towards harmonisation of polar infrastructure access

GEOCRI – GEO Cold Regions Initiative Information Service and Forum for Collaboration for Cold Regions

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GEOCRI Community

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What are GEO and GEOSS?

Organisation (GEO)

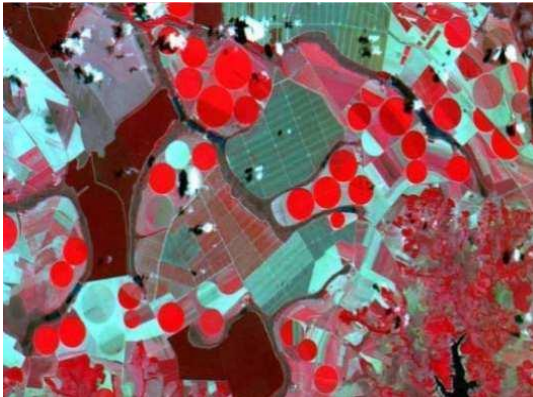
- ❄ Group on Earth Observations
- ❄ Member States
- ❄ Participating Organisations
- ❄ GEO Plenary, Ministerial Summit
- ❄ GEO Secretariat

Implementation (GEOSS)

- ❄ Work Programme (3 yrs)
- ❄ GEO Flagships
- ❄ GEO Initiatives
- ❄ GEO Community Activities
- ❄ GEO Foundational Tasks

How does GEO work?

Data



community



Analysis

Agreements



UN World Conference on
Disaster Risk Reduction
2015 Sendai Japan



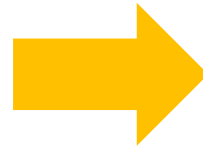
GEO New Features

Sharing and Brokering Data

Data Driven

Eight SBAs

User Driven



Space agencies



Users

Software



Results

Data



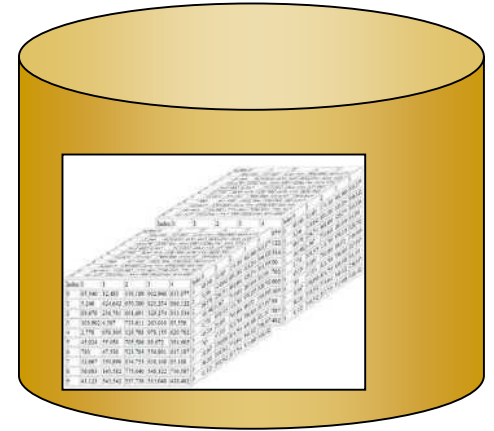
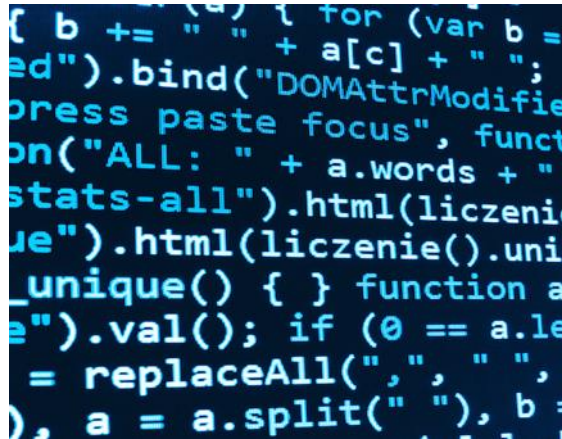
Cloud platforms

Cloud Based

Empowered global experts

Reusable, shared knowledge

Cloud platforms



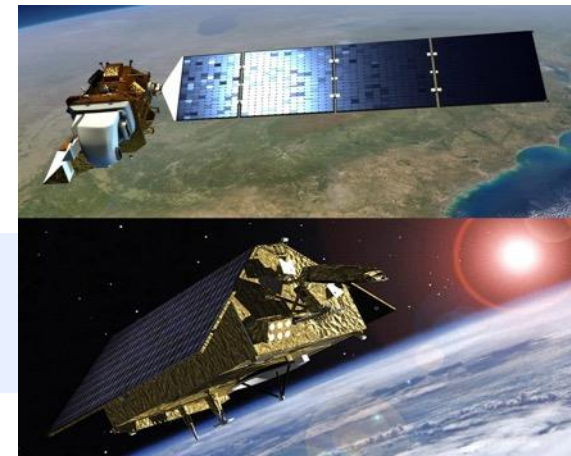
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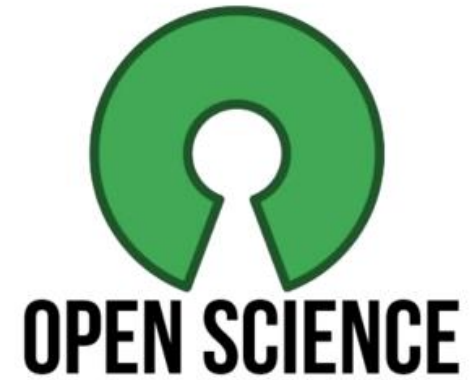
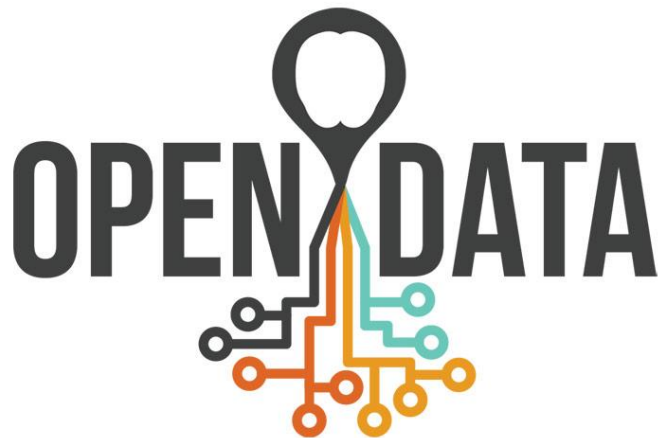


In-situ observations

Multi-satellite data



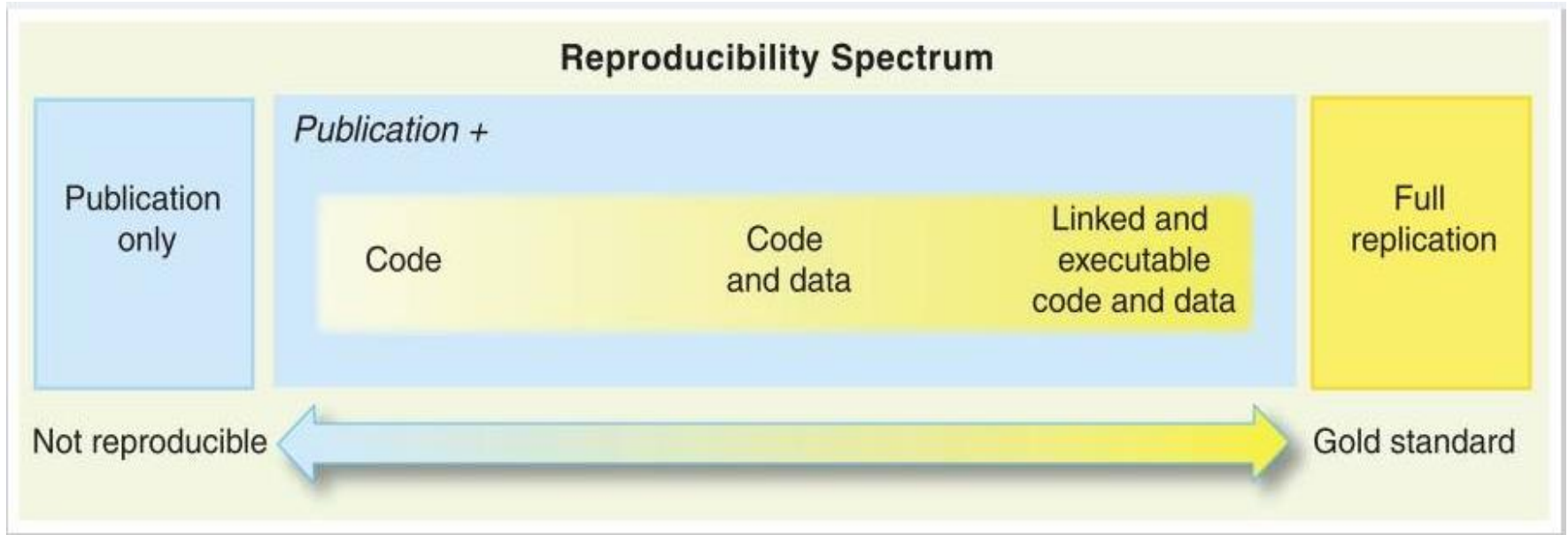
GEO New Features



The first 15 years of GEO: focus on provision of **open data**

The future: focus on **results** based on **open Science**

Achieving reproducible knowledge



Exposing all parts of an application

image: Peng (Science, 2011)



The Web as a repository

What is GEO Cold Regions Initiative?

- ❄️ A GEO Initiative, Work plan for 2017-2019 (**networking and startup development**)
- ❄️ Earth's Cold Regions – especially the Tripoles vision
- ❄️ Forum for collaboration, contributors from 15 countries and organisations
- ❄️ Cross-cutting initiative
 - Geographic: Arctic, Antarctic, High-Latitude Oceans, Himalaya-Third Pole and High-Mountain areas
 - Domains: Terrestrial, Atmospheric, Marine
 - Scales: from in-situ to remote sensing
 - Disciplines: from earth sciences to social sciences
 - SBAs, SDGs, Sendai Framework and Paris Agreement

Why GEO Cold Regions?

Facing the applications to SBA

- ❄️ **Cold Regions** are the most vulnerable environments, and **affect the whole Earth system** via feedback mechanisms
- ❄️ Current **Environmental and Socio-Political Challenges**, influence more than 100 countries
- ❄️ Need for **Earth observations and information services combining both Scientific and Societal aspects** to support decision making and achieving societal benefits and SDGs

Climate & Weather

Biodiversity & Ecosystems

Sustainable Development

Indigenous Communities & Traditional Practices and Livelihoods

Health

Agriculture, Fisheries, Hunting

Food Security

Water

International Relations & Cooperation

Hazards

Infrastructure & Transport

Energy

Extractive industries

Forestry

Shipping

Tourism

Environmental Protection

Mission: Develop a **user-driven approach** for Cold Regions **information services to complement** the current mainly science-driven efforts, and **foster the collaboration for improved Earth observations** and information on a global scale.

Objectives:

- 1. Integrating, Brokering and Promoting Earth Observations over the Cold Regions**
- 2. Advocating and Practicing Data Sharing**
- 3. Building Community Portal and related Services**
- 4. Strengthening Capacity building and Partnerships**

The Priorities Identifying Activities

1) *Infrastructure*

- *Satellite Stations*
- *In-situ Network*
- *Observatories*

2) *Community Data Portal*

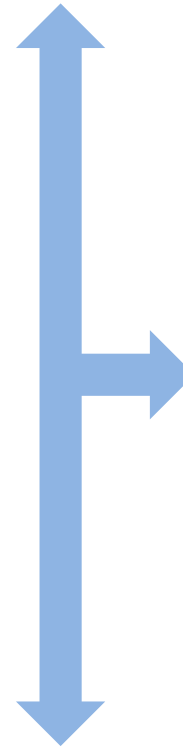
- *Inventory*
- *Formatted Data (observations, simulation)*
- *Value-added Data Products*
- *Open Data (MetaData)*

3) *Essential Variables*

- *Variables*
- *Indicators*

Information Service

- *Supporting open Science*
- *SBA (key area)*
- *Global Policies (SDGs etc.)*



Earth
Observations

Data and
Infrastructure

Information
Technique

Societal
Impacts

Earth System Science and Policies

Examples of current activities



GEOCRI Community Data Portal Development

- ❄ **Data Management** compatible to GEO DM Principle
- ❄ Utilisation of **GEOSS Data Infrastructure** for Community Portal in the GEOSS framework
- ❄ Data sharing, End-User services & products
- ❄ Collaboration, synergy and interoperability with other **international organisations and initiatives** (SAON/SOOS/WDS/CODATA/RDA...)

Essential Cold Regions Variables Development

- ❄ **Science Driven with Societal impact and implications**
- ❄ **Compatible to the existing EVs and Indicators**
- ❄ Connections between the **data and indicators** for policy and evaluation purposes
- ❄ Deliverables: **White paper & potential journal articles**
- ❄ Relevance for **the Cold Regions**
- ❄ Relevance for the **SBA**s: SDGs, Paris Agreement, Sendai Framework

Research Infrastructures and Capacity Building Development

- ❄ **Integration** of observations, modelling and data across regions and scales
- ❄ **Sharing best practises** to improve infrastructure access and efficient use

Collaboration - examples

- Within GEOCRI
- Within GEO
- With other organizations and networks



Projects : Advisor Board and Contributors



MARIS Project

- EU H2020 INTAROS (Norway)
- China Most funded MARIS (China)
- iCUPE (Arctic Environment Monitoring)
- KEPLER(Key Environmental monitoring for Polar Latitudes)

GEO-GNOME
GEOGLOWS



IEEE Ad Hoc Committee on North & South Poles

Arctic Data Committee (ADC)

Polar Data Committees

SCARDM

POLDER



HiMAC Workshop

- ✓ HiMAC2017
- ✓ HiMAC2018

GEO CRI Data Flow Diagram

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GCW The Global Cryosphere Watch
SAON Inventory of arctic observational projects as a contribution to EU PolarNet; (CBM) atlas.
CAFF/CBMP: Arctic Biodiversity Data Service (ABDS) as biodiversity data sharing and as a source of data for ecosystem-based management, interoperability with partners such as GBIF, OBIS and PDC.
INTERACT
PEEX Pan-Eurasian Experiment (PEEX) – A Framework Program on the Land–Atmosphere–Ocean–Society Interactions of the Changing Arctic–Boreal Environments
SIOS <https://www.sios-svalbard.org/>
IADC <http://mainnode.src.cnr.it/cnr/>
(SOTP) Snow Observations over Tibetan Plateau
ESA – MOST / NRSCC
CCT-IP Climate Change Integrated Project
TW-1A:(Chinese cubesat named polar sea ice observation in both Polar Regions
Chinese Water Cycle Mission (WCOM):
(CMP) CRA Cryosphere Monitoring Programme of the Arctic Observing and Research for Sustainability and of the Mountains as Sentinels of Change
(ADS) Arctic Data Archive System
The Year of Polar Prediction (YOPP)
Third Pole Environment (TPE)A data portal
<http://en.tpdatabase.cn>
The Barcelona Expert Center (BEC) <http://satice.icm.csic.es>
GMOS Observational programme for mercury Pollution & Environmental Protection
JAMSTEC
WDCDGG (World Data Center-D for Glaciology and Geocryology
INTAROS (Integrated Arctic Observation system)

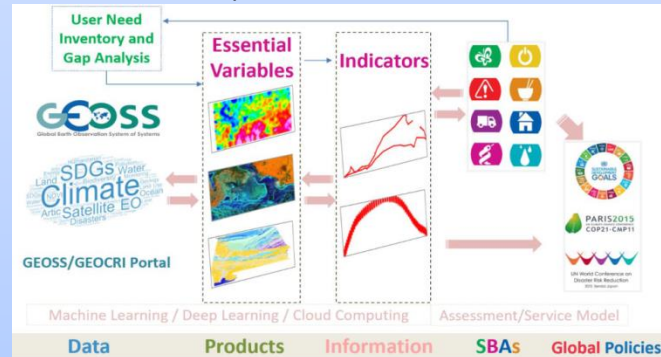
Inputs EO Data



Community Portal Development –

Outputs Products and Services

- **Improve discoverability, accessibility and usability of cold regions Earth observation data** and information by advocating broad open data policies and strengthened capacity building;
- **Support existing observation networks and systems in cold regions**, sharing expertise and knowledge, as well as integrating observation products into GEOSS via the GEOSS Common Infrastructure (GCI);
- **Contribute** to identify the gaps for observations and data/information services over cold regions;
- **Facilitate** full integration and interoperability of in situ and remotely sensed Earth observations in cold regions across all environmental, ecological and human domains;
- Increase the ability of all users and potential users to benefit from cold region Earth observations, including policy makers, researchers, local communities and industry, through ongoing capacity building;
- **Strengthen partnerships between cold region Earth observation providers**, users, funders and other stakeholders to increase efficiencies and ensure needs and requirements are effectively met.



End Users

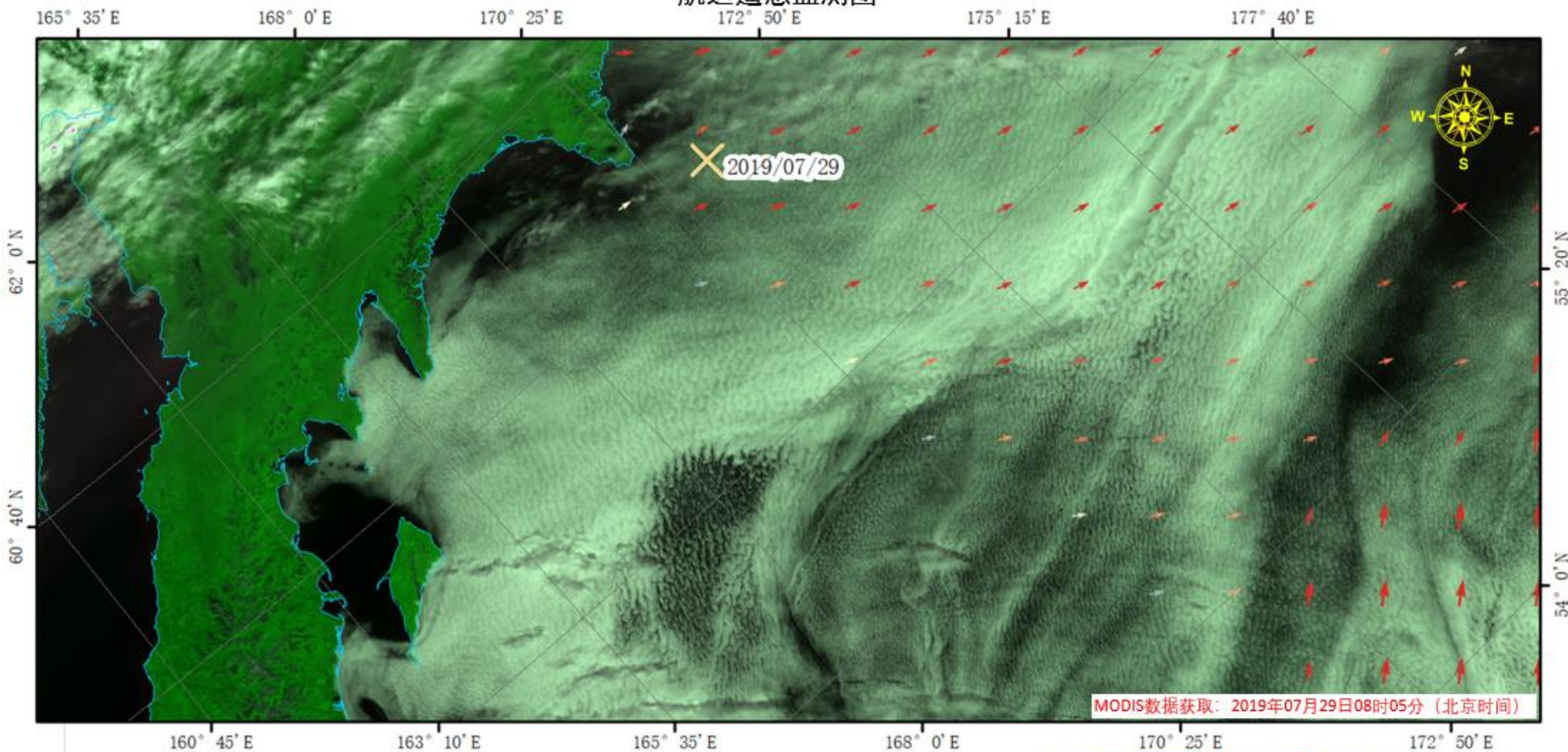
Cold region Earth observation user communities include scientists, policy-makers, industry, business and commerce, students, and local communities.



2) Development of Essential Variables for Cold Regions (GEO CRI efforts – addressing the indicator)

- Science Driven or Societal impact: applications for societal and economy development
- Compatible to the existing EVs, and Indicators
- Interface between the data and indicators for evaluation process
- Deliverables: White paper published
- **3) Integration: In-situ, Remote Sensing, Model, and its Data Integrating**

航运遥感监测图



解译标志

	陆地		水体		云层
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风速信息

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图例

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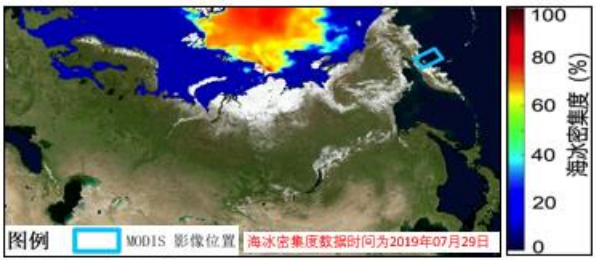
0 50 100 200 Kilometers

船只监测区域海况

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数据源

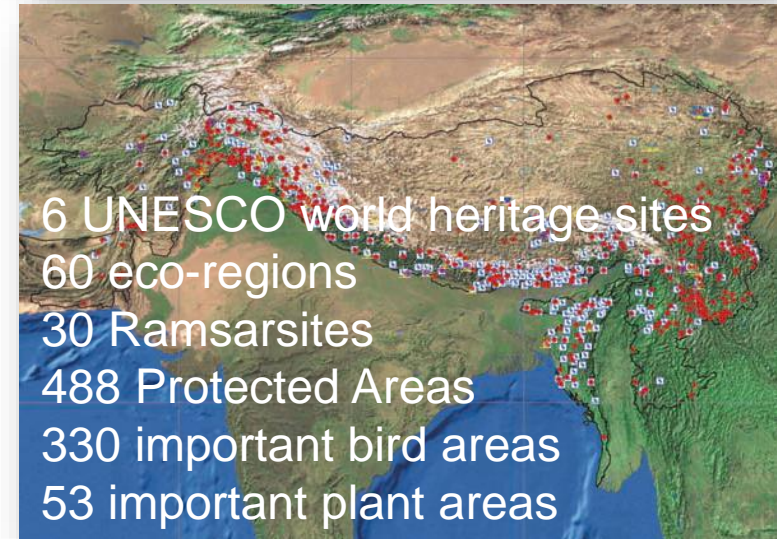
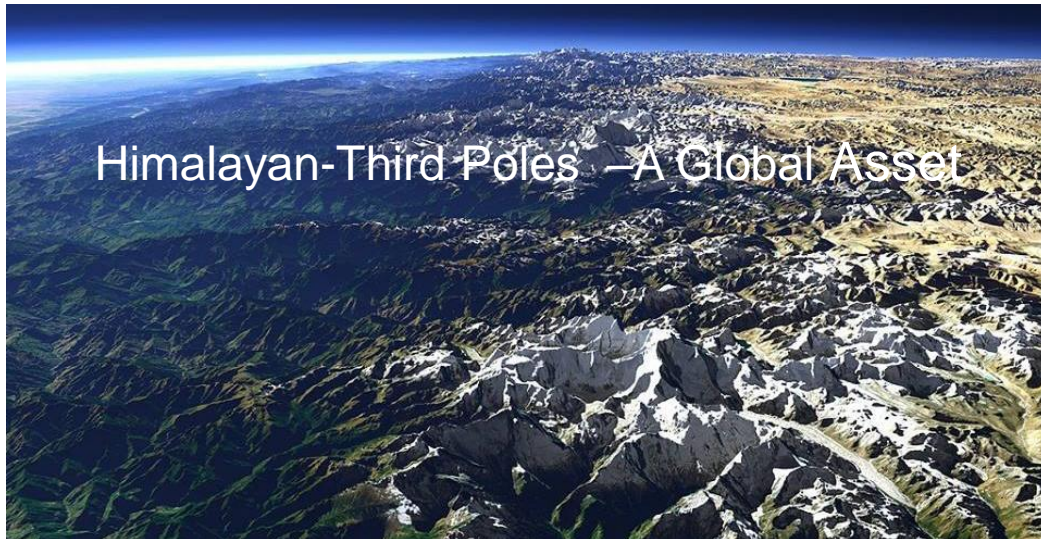
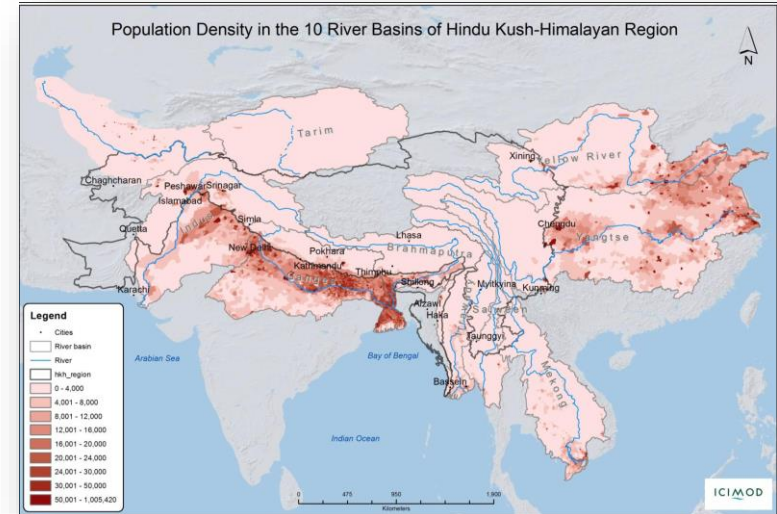
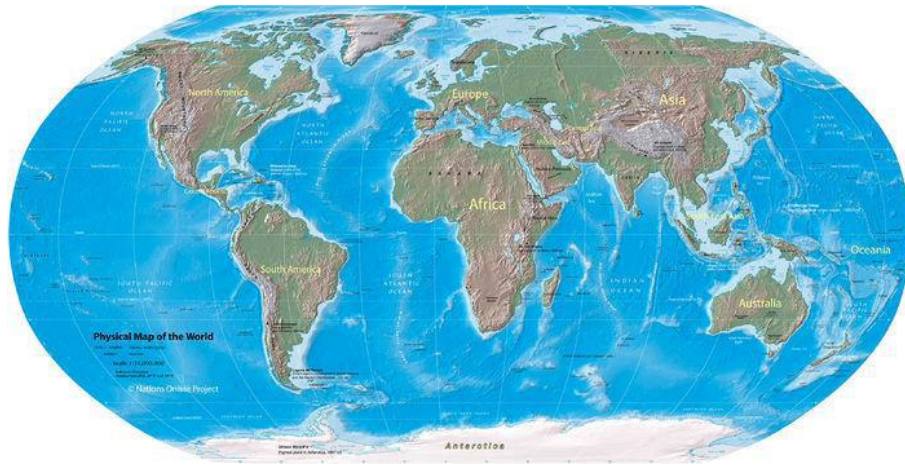
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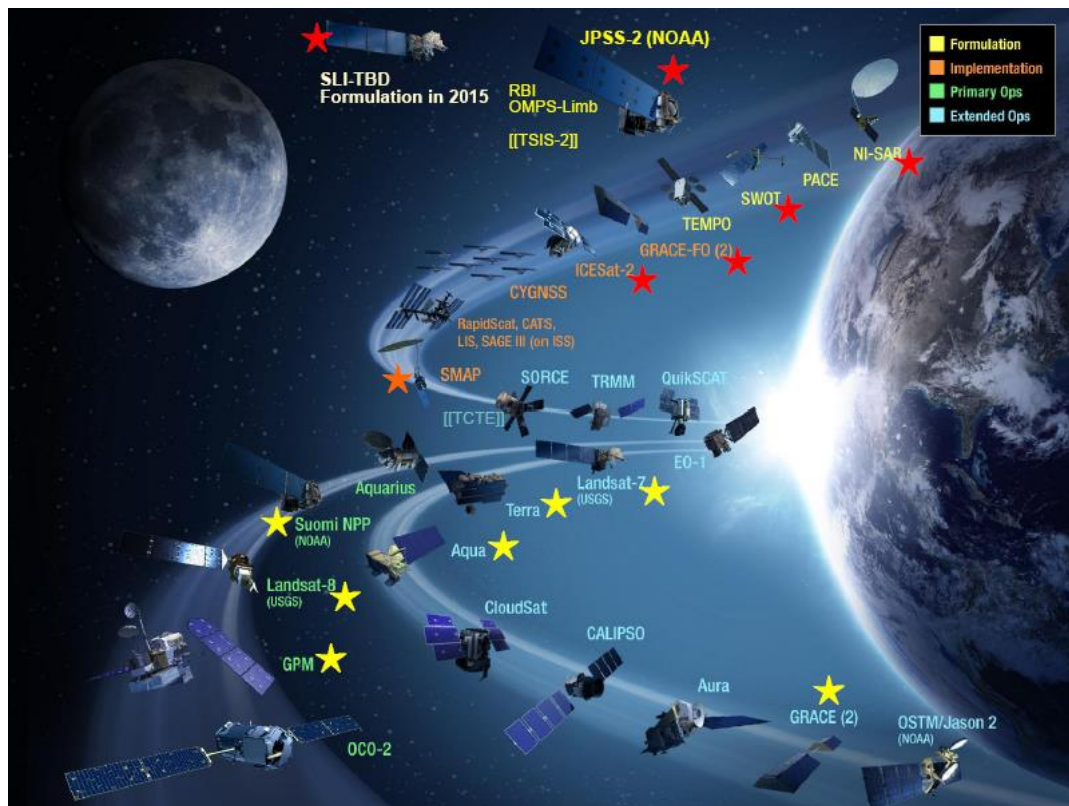
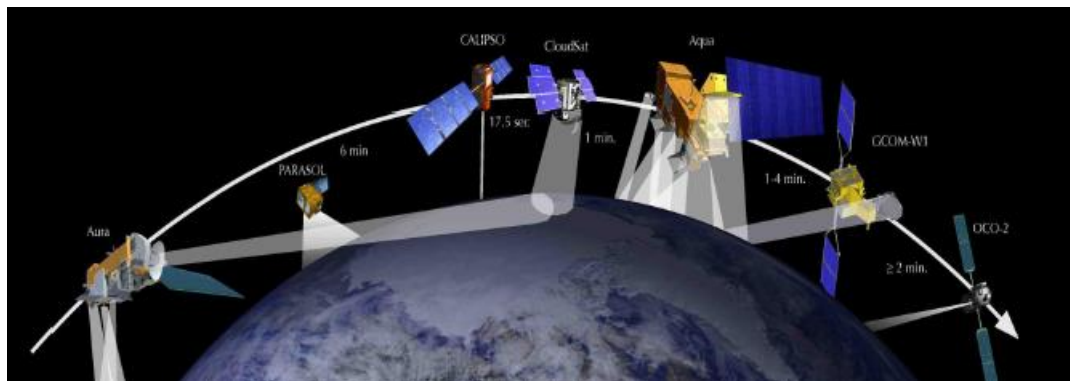
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High Mountain Asia Regions



Satellite



Satellites

Satellite	1988	1990	1997	1999	2000	2002	2003	2004	2007	2008	2009-2010	2011	2012	2020
Meteorological Satellites	FY-1	FY-1A	FY-1B		FY-1C		FY-1D							12 Satellites
	FY-2			FY-2A		FY-2B		FY-2C	FY-2D	FY-2E			FY-2F	
	FY-3									FY-3A	FY-3B			
	Operation Status					 FY-1D		FY-2C	FY-2D	FY-2E FY-3A	FY-3B		FY-2F	
Ocean Satellites	HY-1					HY-1A			HY-1B					10 Satellites
	HY-2											HY-2A		
	Operation Status							 HY-1B				HY-2A		
Resource Satellites	CBERS-01			CBERS-01										6 Satellites
	CBERS-02						CBERS-02		CBERS-02B					
	ZY											ZY-1 02C	ZY-3	
	Operation Status						 CBERS-02		CBERS-02B				ZY-1 02C	ZY-3
Environmental and Disaster Monitoring Satellites	HJ-1									HJ-1A HJ-1B			HJ-1C	5 Satellites
	Operation Status								 HJ-1A HJ-1B				HJ-1C	
Navigation Satellites	Beidou							 Beidou-1			Beidou-2,3,4,5,6,7	Beidou-8,9,10	Beidou-11,12,13,14,15,16	Global Coverage

Network of Satellite Stations



Events



2018 International Workshop on Observations and Understanding of Changes in High Mountain and Cold Regions (HiMAC2018)

The HiMAC2018 unities research in Earth's cold regions. The new satellite system are needed for filling the Arctic and High Asia monitoring, address the challenges on the data/variables gaps.
HiMAC2018, FMI, Finland

29-30, Oct @ Sodankylä, Finland



WELCOME TO THE 2nd INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON
Observations and Understanding of Changes in High Mountain and Cold Regions (HiMAC2018)
29-30 October 2018, FMI Arctic Space Centre, Sodankylä, Finland

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS:
Please send abstracts to: himac2018@fmi.fi by September 28, 2018.
We kindly invite you to register by 12 October 2018:
https://www.verthropolysurveys.com/S/69A68C66C570CC37_psr

Organizers:
Arctic Space Centre, Finnish Meteorological Institute (FMI)
Digital Belt and Road Program (DBAR)
Institute of Remote Sensing and Digital Earth (RSDE), Chinese Academy of Science (CAS)

Co-Organizers:
Ad hoc committee for IEEE on the North and South Poles (INSPP)
GEO Cold Regions Initiative (GEOCRI)
Polar Emission Research Initiative (PEERI)
International Society for Digital Earth (ISDE)



The HiMAC2018 workshop is organized around three themes,



- **Earth observations and data products for Arctic and high mountain cold region**
 - Ongoing initiatives addressing main observational gaps
 - Essential variables for the societal benefit areas over High Mountains and Cold Regions
 - Present capabilities and data products from Earth Observing satellites
- **New Earth Observing satellite systems for tracking variables in the Earth three poles (Arctic, Antarctic, High Asian areas)**
 - Upcoming observation systems/ Planned gap-filling satellite concepts
 - Role of ground-based reference observations in development of geophysical retrieval algorithms and validation
- **The role of variables in tracking climate, ecology and biogeochemical processes in the three poles.**
 - Links of cryosphere processes to carbon cycle.
 - Arctic ecology in changing climate
 - Linkage between Arctic warming and the mid-latitude weather and climate.

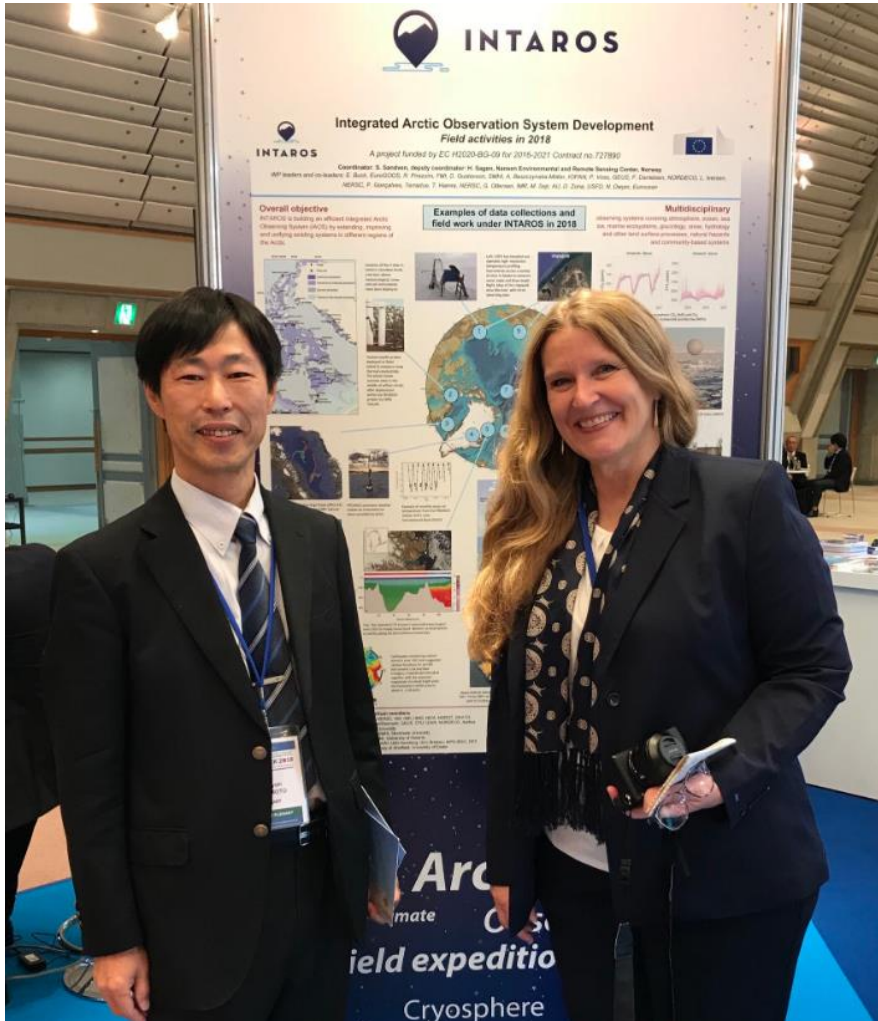
GEOCRI Side Meeting



Essential Variables and their potential to achieve societal benefits



Six of the co-leads to GEOCRI were gathering in POLAR2018 side event.



[@IntarosProject](#) and learned a lot from Hiroyuki Enomoto from NiPR, Japan at the exhibition of [#GEOWeek18](#) [#arctic](#) [#coldregion](#)

GEO Cold Regions Side Event in Japan, a good organization from Japan.

Side Event: GEO Cold Regions Initiatives

Mon 29 October from 13:30 to 15:30 in Room C1



This side event introduces the current works of GEO Cold Regions Initiative for 2017-2019. This initiative has the geographic coverages are Arctic, Antarctic, high-latitude oceans, and Himalaya-third pole and high-mountain areas. This side introduces also coordination of observation for Arctic and Antarctic, and international /national projects.

Agenda

13:30-13:50: GEOCRI idea, plan and current activities (Introduction) (Hiroyuki Enomoto, NIPR/Hannele Savela, University of Oulu/Yubao Qiu, RADI)

13:50-14:10: On the current activities of SAON and the IASC-SAON Arctic Data Committee (Peter Pulsifer, Univ. Colorado, by telepresentation)

14:10-14:30: IEEE North South Pole Initiatives (Siri-Jodha Singh KHALSA, Univ. Colorado)

14:30-14:50: Arctic Data archiving system/contribution to GEO (Hironori Yabuki, NIPR Japan)

14:50-15:10: Enabling Access to Arctic Location Based Information - the Arctic SDI (Heli Ursin, National Land Survey of Finland)

15:10-15:30: Other activities and Discussion

Organizers National Institute of Polar Research, Japan

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Essential Cold Regions Variables Development



Task Team : Essential Cold Regions Variables Support for Information for Cold Regions

- ❄️ Science Driven with **Societal impact and implications**
- ❄️ User oriented applications to **support priorities of SBAs**
- ❄️ **Compatible** to the existing EVs and Indicators
- ❄️ How much the Satellite could address
- ❄️ Connections between the **data and indicators** for policy and evaluation purposes
- ❄️ Relevance for **the Cold Regions and its human activities**
- ❄️ Relevance for the **SBAs**: SDGs, Paris Agreement, Sendai Framework
- ❄️ Deliverables: **White paper & potential journal articles recently**

GEOCRI Essential Cold Regions Variables Meeting *Delft, Netherlands (Pending)*



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Team Building : Data Scientist /
Earth Science / Poles Scientist /
Relevant GEOSS Projects / Policy
and Decision Makers / Private
Sectors...

Deliverables : Team / Road Map /
Implementation Framework with
the compatible to the existing
efforts / Networking with Policy
or user requirement Community;



Call for engagement in IP2020-2022

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