# **ALOS Kyoto & Carbon Initiative**

# Science Team meeting #12

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- K&C booklet on significant findings
- Science Plan
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Science Team meeting #12 RESTEC HQ, Tokyo, June 15-18, 2009



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KC#12 Agende	MONDAY, June 15, 2009
KC#12 Agenda	10:15 Welcome (Masanobu Shimada, JAXA)
	10:20 K&C project issues (Ake Rosenqvist, JRC)
	10:45 PALSAR observation strategy update (Emi Aoki/Fumi Ohgushi, RESTEC)
	11:00 ALOS & PALSAR operation status (M. Shimada, JAXA/D. Sango, RESTEC)
	11:20 EORC data processing – status & capacity issues (M. Shimada)
	11:45 K&C data dissemination and user interface (Akira Mukaida, RESTEC)
	<ul> <li>12.00 K&amp;C Mosaic status</li> <li>JAXA (M. Shimada)</li> <li>JRC (Frank Degrandi – 5 mins by Ake R.)</li> <li>JPL (Bruce Chapman)</li> </ul>
	12:30 – 14:00 LUNCH
	14:00 Mosaic Theme work session – Coordination and methodology issues Leads: Bruce Chapman & Masanobu Shimada
	<ul> <li>15:00 JAXA/Science Team action items – open floor discussions</li> <li>Data quality, processing &amp; dissemination issues</li> <li>K&amp;C processing requests (revision required)</li> <li>Phase 2 – Business as usual or new visions required?</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the adequacy of 50 m data</li> </ul>
	• extended external collaborations (Ramsar, GEO-FCT, space agencies)
	16.00 Coffee
A VA	16:15 Demonstration of prototype global Forest Carbon Monitoring System (FCMS) under GEOSS/FCT (Yoshiki Yamagata, NIES)
Japan Aerospace	~17:00 Adjourn



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#### TUESDAY, June 16, 2009 KC#12 Agenda Forest Theme project updates 9:30 **Forest Theme results** Richard Lucas (U. Aberystwyth) • Dirk Hoekman (U. Wageningen) Silvana Amaral (INPE) Christian Thiel (FSU-Jena) Masanobu Shimada (JAXA EORC) 10:30 Coffee **Forest Theme results** 10:45 Isoguchi/Preesan (JAXA EORC) Shimada/Uryu/Quegan (JAXA/WWF/U. Sheffield) Preesan Rakwatin (JAXA EORC) Forest Theme product issues - open floor discussion 11:20 Lead: Richard Lucas 12.15 - 13:30LUNCH 13:30 - 16:30Special Work Session on GEO-FCT Science Requirements for a coordinated multi-sensor acquisition strategy for global forest (and wetlands) monitoring K&C input to the GEO Task on Forest Carbon Tracking • GEO-FCT background and objectives: (Osami Ochiai, JAXA HQ) Work session instructions (Ake R, JRC) • Session summary 16:30 ~17:00 Adjourn



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	Wetland Theme project updates
9:30	<ul> <li>Wetlands Theme results</li> <li>Laura Hess (UCSB)</li> <li>Kyle McDonald (JPL)</li> <li>Lisa Rebelo (IWMI)</li> <li>Richard Lucas (U. Aberystwyth)</li> <li>Bill Salas (AGS)</li> <li>Tony Milne (Horizon)</li> <li>10:45 Coffee</li> </ul>
11:00	Wetland Theme work session – Coordination and methodology issues Leads: Laura Hess & Kyle McDonald
	12:00 – 13:30 LUNCH
13:30	Wetland Theme work session (continued)
K&C	14:30 – 17:30 Special Work Session on the Ramsar G-WOS input to the establishment of a Global Wetlands Observing System (G-WOS)
	<ul> <li>G-WOS report from Ramsar STRP-15 meeting (Lisa Rebelo, IWMI)</li> <li>K&amp;C and G-WOS: Open floor discussion (Leads: Lisa/Laura/Ake)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Synergy with GEO-FCT</li> <li>Wetlands science/observation requirements (Ake)</li> </ul>
17:30	Adjourn
18:00 -	20:00 Welcome Reception Wolfgang Puck Café, Akasaka Ark Hills (next to Villa Fontaine Hotel) (www.wp-japan.jp/shop/café_ark.html)

WEDNESDAY, June 17, 2009





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THURSDAY, June 18, 2009
Forest Theme work session – Coordination and methodology issues Lead: Richard Lucas
<ul> <li>Theme Summary Session</li> <li>Mosaic - Bruce Chapman</li> <li>Wetlands - Laura Hess</li> <li>Forest - Richard Lucas</li> <li>FCT observation requirements - Ake Rosenqvist</li> </ul>
ALOS-2 – current status (M. Shimada)
Summary & Conclusions (Ake Rosenqvist)
Closing
Afternoon
14:00 – 15:00 Theme Coordinator meeting Wrap-up (Bruce Chapman, Laura Hess, Philippe Paillou, Richard Lucas, Ake Rosenqvist)





#### **Phase 1 final scientific reports**

Critical to provide concrete evidence of progress both externally and internally to JAXA management.

- Submission deadline: March, 2009
- Reporting mandatory
- 20 (of 22) science team members submitted
- Hard copy compendium of reports delivered to JAXA
- All reports available on the <u>K&C Wiki</u> and (from 06/2009) on the EORC homepage



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# K&C booklet on significant scientific findings

- Not mandatory (but desired)
- Fairly good response from Science Team
  - 24 contributions from 16 (out of 22) science team members
- All contributions available on the <u>K&C Wiki</u>
- Publication delayed, but planned by JAXA within JFY-2009.
   new opportunities:
  - New contributions still feasible and welcome (especially from members who have not contributed)
  - Updates to existing contributions
  - New Phase 2 results



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#### **K&C Science Plan**

Present version: March 2008

Update to reflect Phase 2 plans required, but... is it worth the effort?...

To be discussed during open floor session - comments welcome.



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# IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in EO and RS (J-STARS) K&C Special Issue



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#### Scope

The special issue of J-STARS is open to the K&C Science Team, as well as to other scientists active in a research field similar to that of the K&C Initiative.

Key words are regional-scale applications and product development at fine resolution (<50m) (as opposed to local-scale, single-scene research activities). Other criteria are that the results and applications developed should be verifiable and quantifiable and have a near-future operational aim.

Contributions should aim to support any of the CCCs, i.e. Conventions, Carbon and/or Conservation, be regional-scale in nature, and utilise Synthetic Aperture Radar as a central data source.







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#### Schedule

Submission of Papers (extended): Sept. 30, 2009 Review Results and Notification: Jan 31, 2010 Submission of Revised Papers: April 30, 2010 Final Acceptance of Papers: June 30, 2010 Publication of the Special Issue: 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2010

Accepted papers will be published on the fly, and available online on <u>IEEE Xplore</u> also before publication of the printed issue.







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"This work has been undertaken [in part] within the framework of the ALOS Kyoto & Carbon Initiative. ALOS PALSAR data have been provided by JAXA EORC."







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