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Call for Proposals SAFE Prototype Activity

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of Space Applications For Environment (SAFE) secretariat, I would like to invite you to submit your new proposal for SAFE prototyping. All the proposals to be received at the secretariat will be reviewed by a review board meeting in Nagoya, Japan on 5th of June 2013. The final assessment will also be done at coming SAFE workshop with your presentation in the same day. If you are interested in proposing new prototype activity, please submit your proposal in attached format ('Application Form', 'Time Schedule' and 'Statement for participation' of SAFE Prototype) to SAFE secretariat (nukui.tomoyuki@jaxa.jp) by 17th of May (Fri).

SAFE is a voluntary initiative endorsed at APRSAF-15. It aims to encourage the environmental monitoring in long term scale to grasp the environmental change and to mitigate the global warming hazards by using space technologies especially satellite remote sensing technology. Until now, ten prototypes were successfully completed and in the process of transferring to the operational phases. Currently there are five on-going prototypes, and they are being carried out by prototype executors in cooperation with data providers and technical supporters.

Every prototype activity approved under this Call for Proposals are required to prepare a Project Designing at the beginning where the prototype proposer in consultation with technical supporter and SAFE secretariat discuss and prepare the brief Project Design Matrix (PDM) which is used to manage and regularly review its progress. SAFE secretariat has made minor modifications on the previous version of the 'Application Form' and 'Time Schedule' and uploaded to the SAFE portal site; <http://www.eorc.jaxa.jp/SAFE/index.html>. Please use them when you prepare your proposal.

I am looking forward to seeing you with your new proposal at 5th SAFE workshop in Nagoya.

Best regards,

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