

GEOSS Asia-Pacific  
Symposium



**APRSAF**  
ASIA-PACIFIC REGIONAL  
SPACE AGENCY FORUM

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# APRSAF:

## Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum



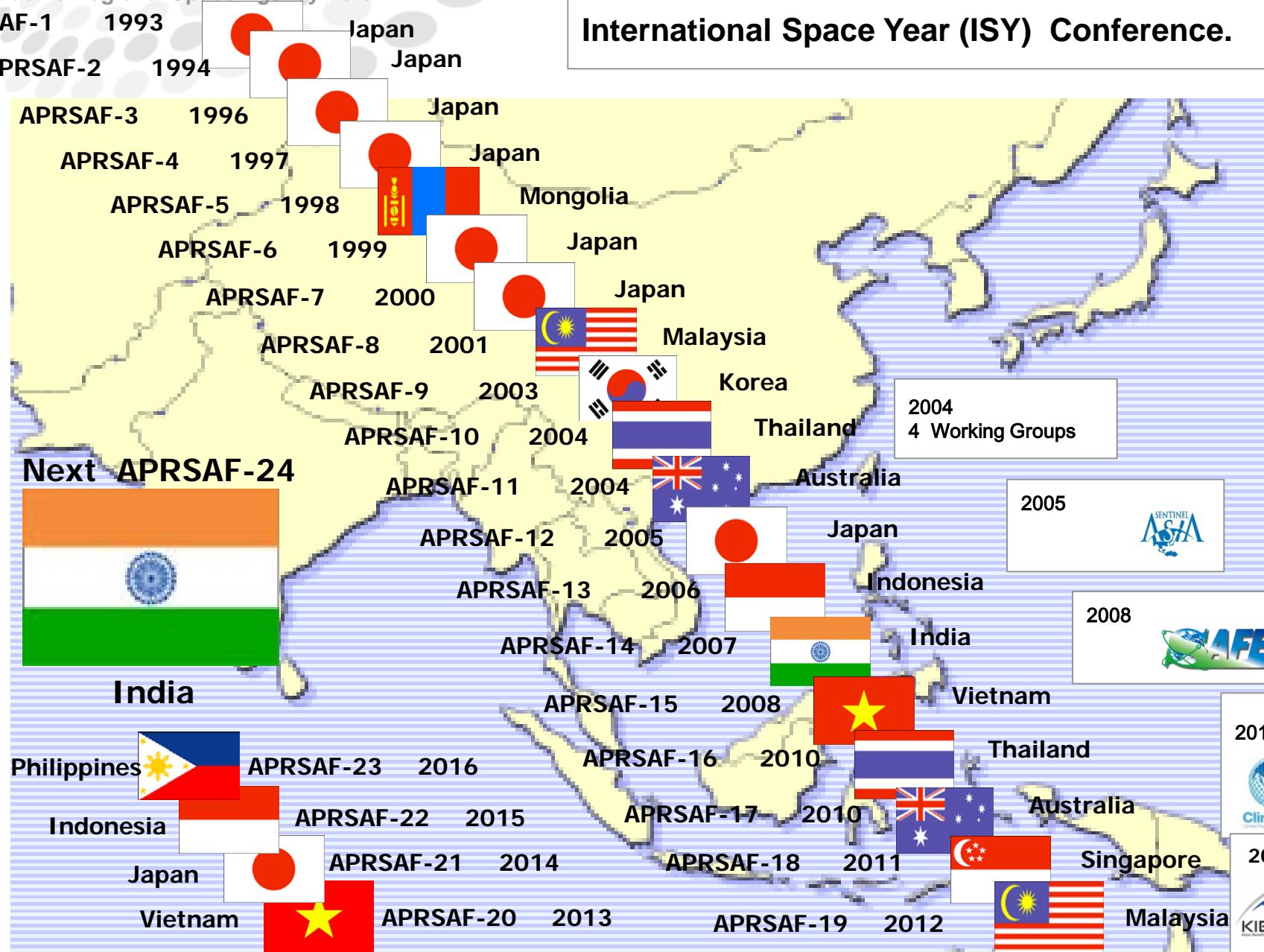
An unique and largest forum in the Asia-pacific region to enhance space activities for socio-economic development in the region.



# APRSAF: History

Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum

Established in 1993, following the Asia-Pacific International Space Year (ISY) Conference.



# APRSAF: Principles

## Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum



### Goal

- To promote and expand space activities and their applications for socio-economic development in Asia and the Pacific.

### Objectives

- To provide a forum where various agencies and international organizations in the Asia-Pacific region gather to exchange views, opinions and information on space activities;
- To identify and undertake measures to contribute to the sustainable development in the region.
- To promote and expand mutually beneficial cooperation in the region.

### Approach

- Open and flexible framework for cooperation;
- Participation on a voluntary basis;
- Launching projects to address issues of common interest in the region.

# APRSAF: Principles

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## Participation

- Space agencies
- Governmental bodies
- International organizations
- Universities
- Research institutes
- Private companies

## Organizers

- MEXT, JAXA
- Local host organizations.

# APRSAF-23, 2016 : Participants



**576 participants from 33 countries/regions and  
10 international organizations, at APRSAF-23, Manila**



Australia



Brunei



Cambodia



China



Czech Republic



France



Germany



India



Indonesia



Iran



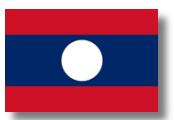
Italy



Japan



Kazakhstan



Lao PDR



Malaysia



Mongolia



Myanmar



Nepal



Norway



Pakistan



Philippines



R. of Korea



Russian Federation



Singapore



Sri Lanka



Thailand



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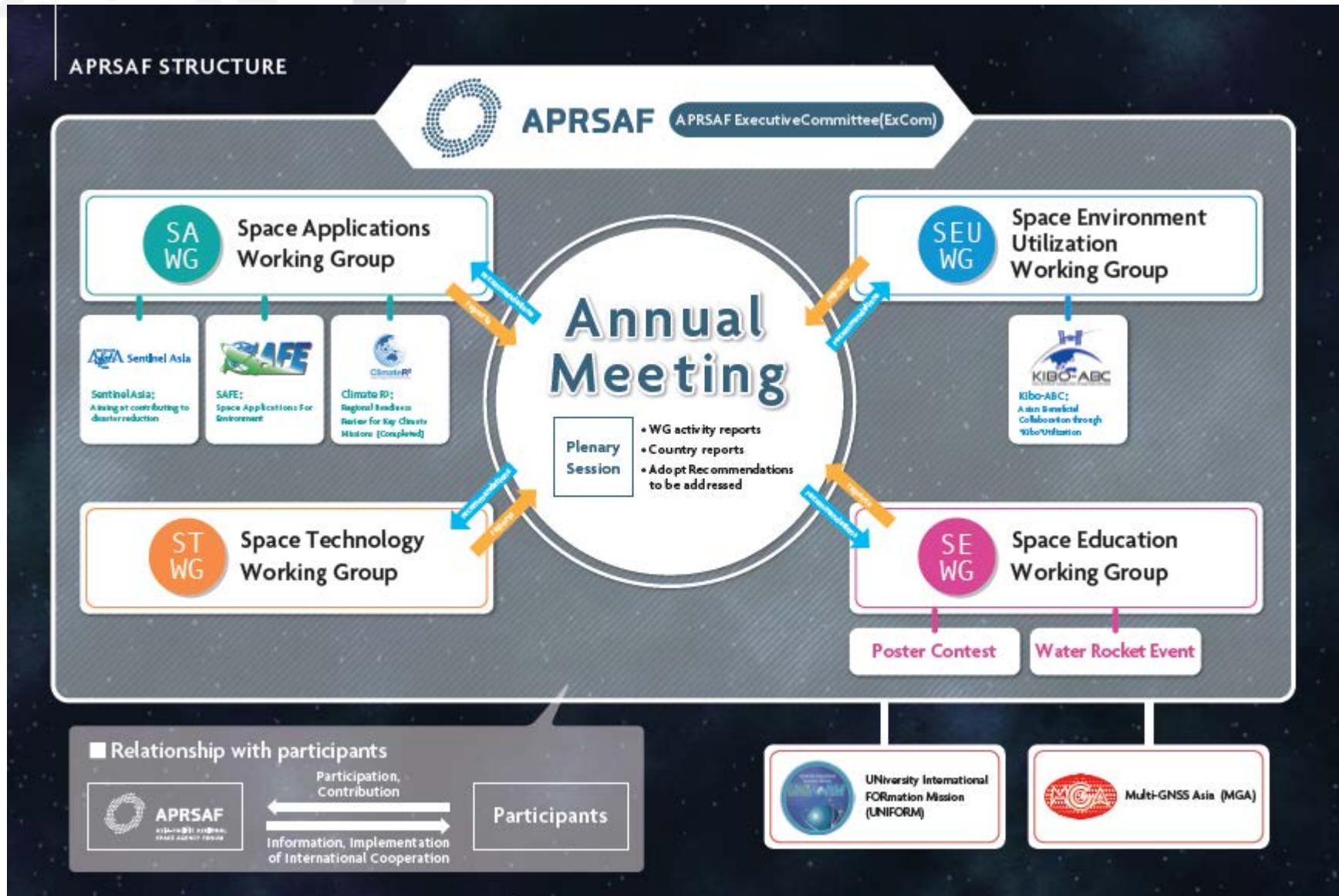


# APRSAF: Structure



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# APRSAF: Four Working Groups



## Space Applications WG

### Topics:

disaster management,  
environmental issues,  
agriculture, mapping, navigation  
etc.

## Space Technology WG

### Topics:

small satellite development,  
cutting-edge technology demo,  
capacity building,  
etc.

### Topics:

space experiment demonstration  
using Japanese Kibo Module  
onboard ISS, etc.

### Topics:

for young people  
space education materials,  
education and training chances,  
mutual understanding  
among countries in the region

## Space Environment Utilization WG

## Space Education WG

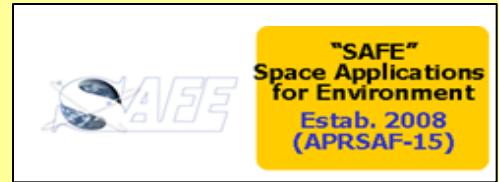
# APRSAF : Initiatives

APRSAF establishes initiatives to implement concrete actions.

**Sentinel Asia (2005~) :**  
Disaster Management



**SAFE (2008~) :**  
Space Applications for Environment



**Climate R<sup>3</sup> (2011~2014):**  
Regional Readiness Review for  
Key Climate Missions

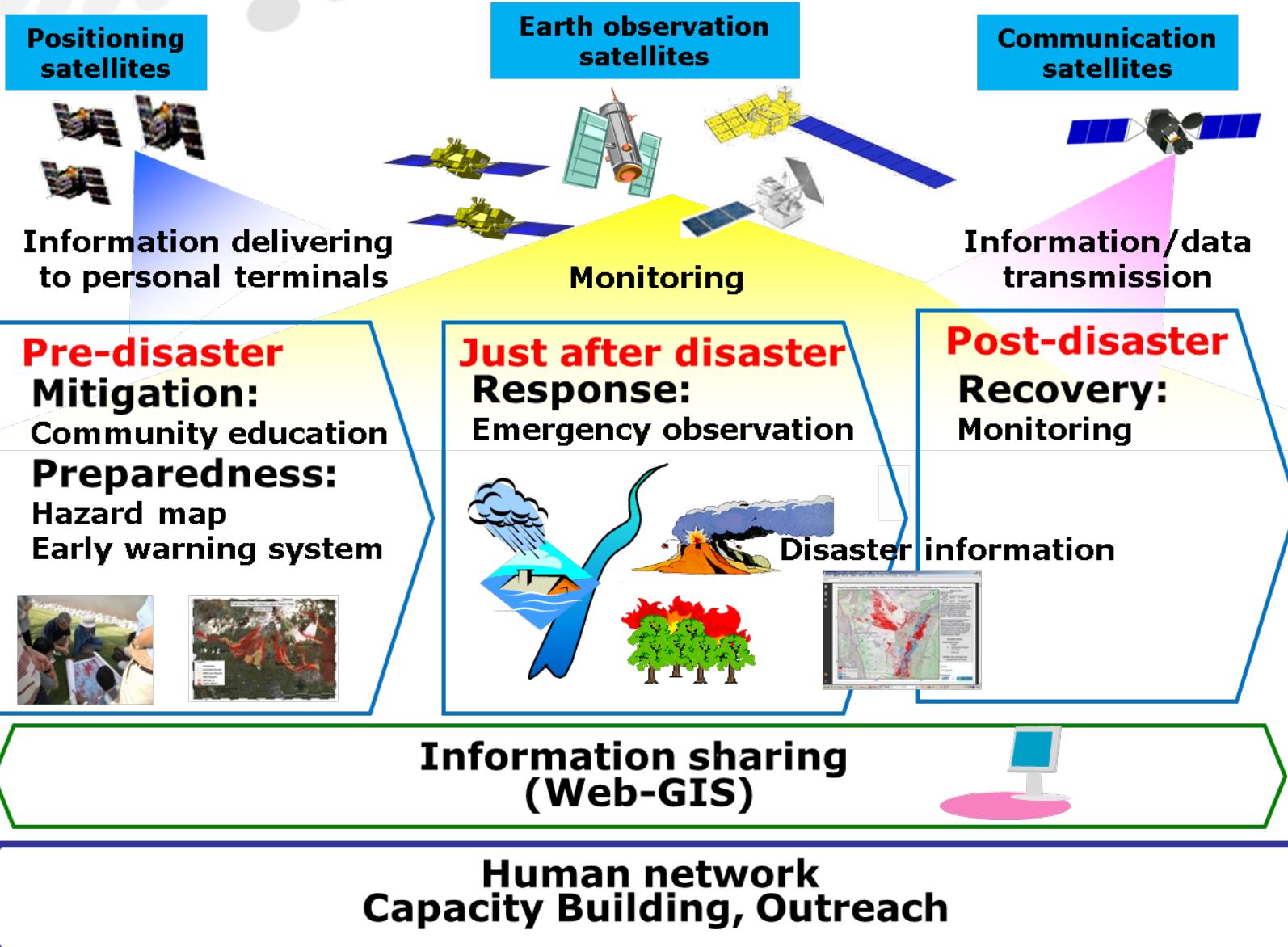


**Kibo-ABC(2012~):**  
Asian Beneficial Collaboration through "Kibo" Utilization



# APRSAF Initiatives: Sentinel Asia

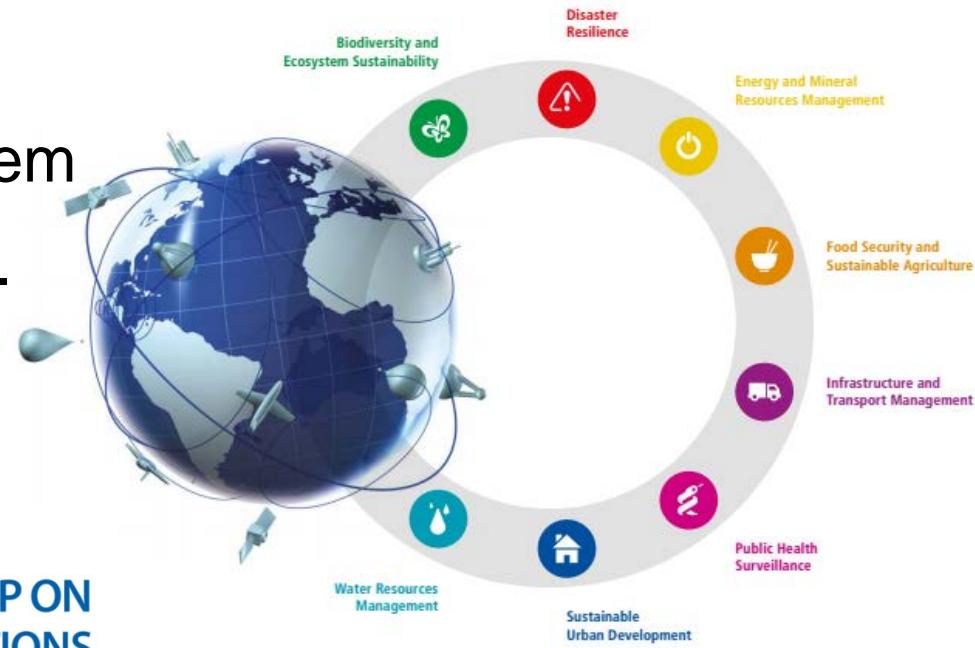
## Disaster Management and Support Network using space technology



# New GEO Observer Status:



- APRSAF became a new observer of Group on Earth Observations (GEO) in 2016
- Worldwide GEO and regional APRSAF are on the same page for the future of the Earth.
- Exchange of information and cooperation among them can create a synergy effect.



**GEO** GROUP ON  
EARTH OBSERVATIONS

GEOSS Societal Benefit Areas

# Next: APRSAF-24



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**INDIA**



- Date: 14-18 November 2017
- Location: Bangalore, India
- Co-organized by
  - Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)
  - Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
  - Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)
- Side Events: (tentative)
  - Water Rocket Event
  - SAFE Workshop
  - Kibo-ABC Workshop
  - Poster Contest





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in Bangalore!

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