

Polar Space Task Group SAR Coordination Working Group

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SAR Coordination Working Group

- Third SAR CWG meeting to be held at ASI in Rome on 5 – 6 Nov 2014
- We have begun to establish a strong community of SAR data providers, scientists and users
- Continue to build momentum in the coordinated acquisition, exploitation and dissemination of SAR data and products of the polar regions
- The coordinated acquisition of SAR data during IPY 2007-2009 showed the power of this community to work together and produce legacy data of value
- We want to continue this path and improve on it



Meeting Objectives

1. Finalization of governance related topics
2. Review of achievements
3. Review of the scientific requirements presented to PSTG
4. Planning response for next phase – Current and future requirements
5. Discuss coordinated Announcements of Opportunity approach
6. Discussion of data inventory and outreach



Organizations Invited

1. SAR space agencies: ESA, ASI, CSA, DLR, JAXA
2. Other space partners: NASA, CNES, NSC
3. Facilitation, interface to PSTG: WMO
4. Commercial partners: MDA, e-geos, **Airbus-Astrium (??)**
5. Universities: Vienna, California (Irvine), Zurich
6. Other partners: Environment Canada



Homework (Preparation) for SAR CWG Participants

- Review terms of reference in preparation for final approval
- Read, assess and provide agency high level position on the requirements documents for Ice Sheets, Sea Ice, Snow and Glaciers, Permafrost
- Ensure the requirements are prioritized – Science leads and teams
- Be prepared to discuss:
 - Key Science questions
 - Our coordinated response
 - Data access
- Your view of coordinated AOs & common AO preamble



See you in Rome on 5 – 6 November 2014!

- Everyone's contributions are needed for this team to succeed in this important work!

