



CEOS and Constellations

MEST-NASA Technical Group for GEO Atmospheric Composition Measurements

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- CEOS established in 1984 by the support of the G7 Economic Summit of Industrialized Nations Working Group on Growth, Technology and Employment.
- This group recognized the multidisciplinary nature of satellite Earth observation and the value of international coordination of space observations
- CEOS promotes international coordination of Earth observation programs
 - Forum to coordinate existing and planned mission
 - Establish data standards and exchange
 - Working groups for Cal/Val, Data standards, and Education
 - Six Constellations
- CEOS consists of 28 national space agencies (KARI) and 30 international science coordinating bodies with space components
- CEOS is taking the role of the space component of GEOSS







- <u>Establish a framework for long term collaboration among the</u> <u>CEOS agencies</u> where the "Constellation" will identify specific opportunities for meeting science and application requirements
- <u>Collect and deliver data to improve predictive capabilities for</u> <u>coupled changes in the</u> *Air Quality, Ozone Layer, and Climate Forcing* associated with changes in the environment.
- Objectives <u>meet participating Agency priorities and are aligned to</u> <u>the GEO SBA's (Health, Climate, Energy, Ecosystems, Hazards)</u>)
- Objectives achieved through the following steps:
 - <u>Develop a Requirements and Gap Analysis</u> based on in-orbit and upcoming missions collecting AC data
 - Demonstrate how <u>Constellation data can add value</u> to data products serving the GEO SBA's through <u>Projects</u>
 - Develop <u>rationale, strategy, and standards for collaboration</u> to meet requirements not being met and remain open for possible new requirements. <u>Collaborate on future missions</u>



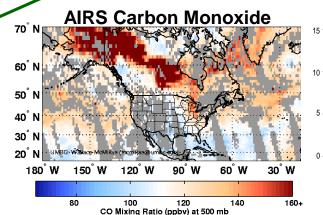


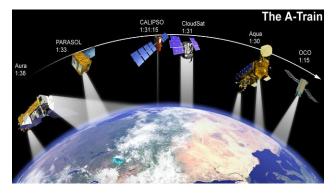
Opportunity for conducting AC science and providing Societal Benefits using multiple instruments across international platforms

- Collaboration efficiency: take advantage of each instrument's unique capability
- Cross instrument validation
- Improved spatial and temporal coverage: e.g. different equator crossing times
- Enhanced data products: e.g. aerosol and cloud characteristics, pollution and its transport for assessments and forecasting
- More accurate trends by comparing and combining data sets

Example:

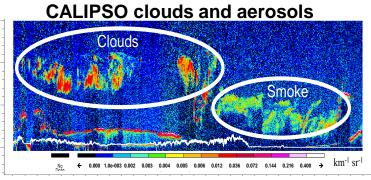
Geographic extent of CO from biomass burning in combination with vertical distribution of smoke improves assessment of total emissions and downstream impacts





A-train is a good example of Constellation Science

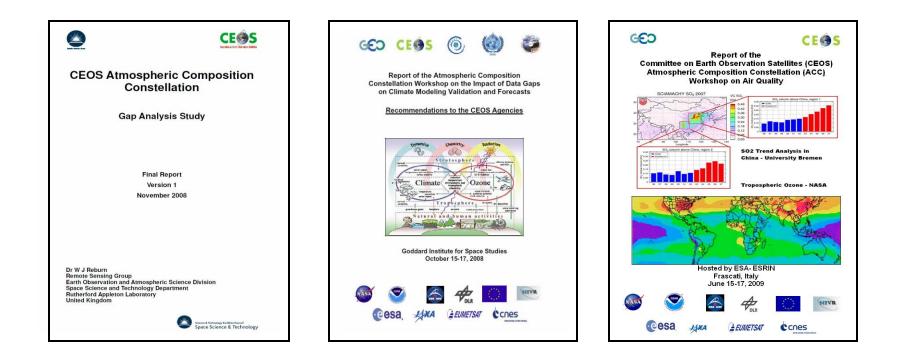
CEOS provides an opportunity to extend collaboration internationally







- Four Workshops with Three reports
 - Missions Requirements and Gap Analysis
 - Climate Data Gap Impact on Climate Models
 - Air Quality Capabilities and Applications







- ACC Air Quality Workshop held at ESA/ESRIN in June 2009 with 45 international Earth science and applications investigators and users
 - Data quality from existing LEO missions
 - Recent applications for forecasting, assessment and trends
 - Identify future requirements based on planned missions
- Recommendations:
 - Coordinate a future Air Quality Constellation based on geostationary satellites planned by Korean (GEMS), ESA (Sentinel-4), NASA (GEO-CAPE), and the Japanese Geostationary Atmospheric Observation Satellite.
 - All are expected to be launched in the period 2018-2026.
 - Take advantage of their synergistic capabilities.
 - Cost efficiencies through common instrument requirements.
 - Coordinated algorithm development, data content and format, and cal/val should be planned.
 - Coordinate with LEO missions resulting in a true Air Quality Constellation