REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COLLOQUIUM ON EQUATORIAL AND LOW LATITUDE IONOSPHERE, 9TH-13TH SEPTEMBER, 2019 UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS, AKOKA, LAGOS STATE, NIGERIA

The International Colloquium on Equatorial and Low-Latitude Ionosphere (ICELLI) organized by the Centre for Atmospheric Research, 'CAR-NASRDA' and Network of Space-Earth Environmentalists 'NSEE' took place at the University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria on 9-13 September, 2019 with forty (40) participants in attendance. Six (6) lecturers including Prof. Babatunde Rabiu and Prof. Victor Chukwuma took the participants through rigorous sessions of learning.

Participants started arriving Lagos on 9th September 2019.

Day 2

The opening program commenced at 10:00 am with recognition of guests and introduction of participants. Thereafter speeches were delivered by the Dean, Faculty of Science, UNILAG; Head, Department of Physics, UNILAG; and Director, Centre for Atmospheric Research, NASRDA.

The lectures commenced officially with a tutorial by Prof. Babatunde Rabiu who took the participants through the Equatorial Ionosphere. It was followed by a lecture on Ionospheric Physics research and creative confidence delivered by Prof Victor Chukwuma. The last lecture titled Equatorial plasma bubble observations at the African region was delivered by Dr. Daniel Okoh. The afternoon session featured technical presentation by 4 participants which was followed with question and interaction time.

Day 3

Prof Babatunde Rabiu kicked off the lecture by sharing with participants on "Data and research resources available at the Centre for Atmospheric Research". This was followed by a lecture delivered by Dr. E. O Falayi on "Time derivatives of geomagnetic and geoelectric fields as a measure of geomagnetically induced currents".

Dr A. O Olawepo took his turn in teaching participants on "Ionospheric propagation of Radio waves". Thereafter, we had Dr Daniel Okoh take the participants on "AfriTEC: A neural network based ionospheric total electron content model over Africa". The afternoon session featured technical presentation by 5 participants which was followed with question and interaction time.

Day 4

The colloquium resumed with Dr A.O Olawepo's lecture on "Geomagnetic storms and the equatorial ionosphere". Participants equally had the privilege of listening to Prof. Renato Filjar from the University of Rijeka, Croatia who delivered a lecture on 'Self-adaptive GNSS position estimation process improves mitigation of GNSS ionospheric effects' via skype.

"Trends in geomagnetic fields linked to solar quiet and induction effects" delivered by Dr.E.O Falayi made it the last lecture to be delivered during this year's ICELLI. This was followed by technical presentation by 4 participants which was closed with question and interaction time.

Thereafter, we had a wrap-up session where views of participants were aired even as they charted a way forward for the Colloquium. Participants enjoyed lively discussions with the lecturers and mutual communications during this three-day school. The Colloquium came to a close officially at 3:30pm. Participants went on to view the lagoon which was a walking distance away from the venue of the meeting.

Some weblinks:

Lecture Materials freely downloadable: https://carnasrda.com/colloqdownload/ **Pictures:**

https://web.facebook.com/noblestar.it/posts/2522852581108561?notif_id=1568700838 796862¬if_t=feedback_reaction_generic_tagged&ref=notif

Montage Video:

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Feed Back from Some Participants

This colloquium has really opened my eye to many things on the Equatorial and Lowlatitude ionosphere. I was greatly inspired by Prof. Victor Chukwuma's lecture on Ionospheric research and creative confidence. God bless the organizers of this colloquium especially Prof. Rabiu Anonymous

I would love to thank the organizers and the leader of the team Prof Rabiu. This workshop has helped in solidifying my foundation in ionosphere / space physics. For this I will be

ever grateful and I will choose to remember this event has the official delivery of my career in space physics. I pray all the aims and aspiration of the organizers will be achieved.

..... Adeola Solomon, Bowen University

The colloquium was a nice and rewarding venture with quality presentation and talks that had a good impact on the listeners/ participants. The program has surely come to stay and I look for it to go from greater height to greater height. I thank the organizers.

.... Dr. Amaechi Paul

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CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION (SAMPLE)



Group Photograph (after the opening session on 10th September 2019)



Banner for the event

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UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS, AKOKA, LAGOS STATE, NIGERIA. FINAL PROGRAMME

Day 1: Monday 9th September 2019

Arrivals, Registration

Day 2: Tuesday 10th September 2019

9:30 am: Opening 2 hrs

Recognition of Guest

Introduction of participants

Speeches:

Dean, Faculty of Science, UNILAG

Head, Department of Physics, UNILAG

Director, Centre for Atmospheric Research, NASRDA

Group photograph

11:00 – 12:00 Equatorial Ionosphere – A Tutorial, *Prof. A. B. Rabiu, Centre for Atmospheric Research, National Space Research and Development Agency, Anyigha*

12:00 Tea break 30 mins

12:30 – 13:30 Equatorial Plasma bubble observations at the African region, Dr. D. I. Okoh, Centre for Atmospheric Research, National Space Research and Development Agency, Anyigba

13:30 Lunch 1 hr

14:30 – 16:30 Technical Presentation by the Participants. 20 minutes each 16:30 Closing

Day 3: Wednesday 11th September 2019

9:00 Data and research resources at the *Centre for Atmospheric Research, Prof. A. B. Rabiu, CAR-NASRDA*

9:45 – 10:45 Ionospheric Physics Research and Creative Confidence, *Prof Victor Chukwuma Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, Nigeria*

10:45 – 11: 30 Time derivatives of geomagnetic and geoelectric fields as a measure of geomagnetically induced currents *Dr. E. O. Falayi, Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun. Nigeria*

11:30 – 12:15 Ionospheric Propagation of Radio Waves – *Dr A. O. Olawepo, University of Ilorin, Nigeria*

12:15: Tea break 30 mins

12:45 - 1:30 pm AfriTEC: A neural network based ionospheric total electron content model over Africa, Dr. D. I. Okoh, CAR-NASRDA

1:30 Lunch 1 hr

14:30 - 16:30 Technical Presentation by the Participants. 20 minutes each 16:30 Closing

Day 4: Thursday 12th September 2019

9:00 – 10:00 Geomagnetic storms and the equatorial Ionosphere. – *Dr A. O. Olawepo, University of Ilorin, Nigeria*

10:00 – 11:00: Self-adaptive GNSS position estimation process improves mitigation of GNSS ionospheric effects - *Prof. Renato Filjar, University of Rijeka, Croatia.*

11:00 – 12:00 Trends in geomagnetic fields linked to solar quiet and induction effects *Dr. E. O. Falayi, Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun. Nigeria*

12:00 : Group Photograph, Tea break 30 mins

12:30 -14:30 - Technical Presentation by the Participants. 20 minutes each

14:30 – 15:30 Wrap-up Session/Way forward; Closing.

15:30 Lunch

Sight-seeing @ Lagoon

Day 5: Friday 13th September 2019

Departure