

REPORT ON THE ISWI/SCOSTEP SCHOOL ON SPACE SCIENCES, OCTOBER 21- NOVEMBER 1, 2013, NAIROBI, KENYA

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VENUE: KENYA INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION

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A. BACKGROUND

The International Space Weather Initiative (ISWI) and the Scientific Committee on Solar Terrestrial Physics (SCOSTEP) have been running advanced school in the area of solar terrestrial physics and space weather for a number of years, starting with the IHY 2007. This is a capacity building activity to introduce space science to as many countries as possible in the world and create favorable conditions for joint research and training especially for graduate students and young scientists from developing countries. The primary focus is how the variability of the Sun affects Earth's space environment and life on Earth. The 2013 school is designated as the African School and will take place in Nairobi, Kenya. African scientists have been heavily involved in ISWI instruments, data, and research. In order to maximize the benefits from the ISWI instruments and the current data available from space and ground based instruments, a high level training of young students and researchers is very crucial. The African Space science School in 2013 will follow the tradition of previous schools held in Ethiopia, Slovakia, and Indonesia in providing quality training in space science by experts from the SCOSTEP and ISWI communities.

B. SPONSORS

- 1. Scientific Committee on Solar-Terrestrial Physics (SCOSTEP)
- 2. Committee on Space Research (COSPAR)
- 3. Technical University of Kenya (TUK)
- 4. Japanese Society for Promotion of Science (JSPS)
- 5. United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)
- 6. International Centre for Space Weather Science and Education (ICSWSE)
- 7. Lecturers (Who paid for their own airfares to come and give lectures at this School)
- 8. Centre for Atmospheric Science (NASRDA), Nigeria

C. APPLICANTS

There were **153** applicants to this School and out of this only 45 were invited. Those who eventually participated in the School were **39**. Most of the applicants were not invited due to financial constraints as some would be sponsors failed to respond even after giving assurance of their support. Consequently, participants from Kenya and Uganda had their transport sponsorship withdrawn and some invitation letters also withdrawn as a last minute cost-cutting measure.

D. LECTURERS

There were a total of 17 Lecturers

E. TOPICS

- Solar Interior
- Solar Dynamo
- Solar Atmosphere
- Solar Flares and Coronal Mass ejections
- Solar Wind and Interplanetary medium
- Cosmic Rays
- Magnetospheric Physics

- Ionospheric Physics
- Atmospheric Physics
- Space Weather
- Teacher/students workshop
- Instrument workshop
- Participants Seminars

F. PROGRAMME

Date	Activities
21/10/2013	8.30- 9.00 Registration
	9.00- 9.30 Opening Ceremony
	Welcoming Remarks – Prof. Paul Baki, Technical University of Kenya (Chair, LoC /Director)
	Introductory Remarks- Prof. Nat Gopalswamy (NASA Goddard/President of SCOSTEP/Director)
	Opening Address : Prof. Dr. Francis O. Aduol, Vice Chancellor, Technical University of Kenya

	SESSION I: Chair- Nat. Gopalswamy/ John Raymond
	9.30 – 10.30 Sun in the Universe - Prof. Legesse Kebede
	10.30- 10.45 HEALTH BREAK
	10.45 - 13.15 Solar Interior – Dr. Jesper Schou + execises
	13.15- 14.15 LUNCH BREAK
	14. 15 - 15:45 Solar Dynamo – Prof. Mark Miesch
	15.45 – 16.00 HEALTH BREAK 16.00- 17.00 Solar Dynamo exercises
22/10/2013	SESSION II: Chair: Hashim Nadir/Nikolai Ostgaard
	8.30- 10.00 Solar Atmosphere – Prof. John Raymond
	10.00- 10.15 HEALTH BREAK
	10.15 – 11:15 Solar Atmosphere Exercises – Prof. John Raymond
	11:15 to 13.00 CORONAL Mass Ejections, Solar Flares – Prof. Nat Gopalswamy
	13.00- 14.00 LUNCH
	14.00- 15.00 Solar Wind Exercises – Prof. John Raymond
	15.00- 16.00 CMEs & Flares Exercises – Prof. Nat Gopalswamy
	16.00- 16.30 HEALTH BREAK
	16.30- 17.00 DISCUSSIONS
23/10/2013	SESSION III: Chair: Jean Uwamahoro/Hashim Nadir
	8.30 – 10.30 Solar Energetic Particles + Exercises - Prof. Dalmiro Maia
	10.30- 10.45 HEALTH BREAK
	10.45 – 13.00 Regions, currents and energy flow in the solar wind-magnetosphere-ionosphere System & Exercises – Prof. Nikolai Ostgaard

13.00- 14.00 LUNCH

	14.00- 16.00 Space weather & Dynamo – Prof. Christine Amory Mazaudier
	16.00- 16.30 HEALTH BREAK
	16.30 – 17.30 Space weather & Dynamo Exercises – Prof. Christine Amory Mazaudier
24/10/2013	SESSION IV : Chair: Dalmiro Maia/Christine Amory
	8.30 - 10.30 Cosmic rays & Exercises - Dr. Hashim Nadir
	10.30- 11.00 HEALTH BREAK
	11.00- 13.00 Lecturer – Student interaction (ALL) 13.00- 14.00 LUNCH
	14.00- 16.00 Data Processing in Ionospheric Studies (Ionosondes, GPS, Radars)- Dr. Andrew Akala
	16.00- 16.30 HEALTH BREAK
	16:30 – 17:30 Discussion
25/10/2013	SESSION V: Chair: Dr. Jared Ndeda 8.30- 10.30 Basics of Ionospheric Physics — Prof. Paul Baki
	10.30- 11.00 HEALTH BREAK
	11.00- 13.00 Ionosphere and GNSS & Exercises - Dr. Florence D'Ujanga
	13.00- 14.00 LUNCH
	14.00- 16.00 Equatorial Ionosphere & Exercises - Prof. Rabiu Babatunde
	16.00 - 16:30 HEALTH BREAK
	16:30 – 17:30 Data Analysis techniques - Prof Farzad Kamalabadi
28/10/2013	SESSION VI: Chair: Deborah Scherrer
	8.30 - 10.30 Atmospheric Physics- Prof. Franz-Josef Luebken
	10.30 -11.00 HEALTH BREAK

11.00 – 13.00 Sun and Climate – Dr. Chris Oludhe

13.00 - 14.00 LUNCH

14.00 – 15.00 Atmospheric Physics Exercises - Prof. Franz-Josef Leubken 15:00 – 1600 African Geophysical Society (AGS)- Prof. Rabiu Babatunde **16.00 -16.30 HEALTH BREAK**

16:30 - 17:30 Cosmic Rays and climate - Dr. Hashim Nadir

29/10/2013 | SESSION VII: Chair: Dr. Ndinya

8.30- 9.30 VarSITI – Prof. Franz- Josef Lubken

9.30- 10.30 ROSMIC Program - Prof. Franz-Josef Luebken

10.30- 11.00 HEALTH BREAK

11.00- 12.00 African Geo-Space Society – Prof. Rabiu Babatunde 12.00 – 13.00 Discussion on Participation of African scientists in international programs (SCOSTEP, ISWI, ILWS)

13.00- 14.00 LUNCH

14:00 – 1600 Participant seminars

16.00- 16.30 HEALTH BREAK

16:30 - 17:30 Discussion

30/10/2013 | SESSION: Chair: Dr. Andrew Akala/ Legesse Kebede

8.30 - 10.30 Instrument Workshop - Prof. Chirstine Amory Mazaudier, Prof. Deborah Scherrer, Dalmiro Maia, Babatunde Rabiu)

10.30- 11.00 HEALTH BREAK

11.00 – 13.00 Instrument Workshop

13.00- 14.00 LUNCH

14.00 – 16.00 Instrument Workshop

16.00-16.30 HEALTH BREAK

16.30- 17.00 Discussions
SESSION X : Chair: Florence D'ujanga/Rabiu Babatunde
8.30- 10.30 Participants Seminar
10.30- 11.00 HEALTH BREAK
11.00 – 13.00 Participants Seminar
13.00- 14.00 LUNCH
14.00- 16.00 Participants Seminar
16.00 - 16.30 HEALTH BREAK
16.00 - 17.00 Discussion
SESSION XI: Chair: Rabiu Babatunde
9.00 – 10.30 School Evaluation/Feedback
10.30- 11.00 HEALTH BREAK
11.00- 12.00 CLOSING AND ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES • Prof. Christine Amory Mazaudier • Prof. Akeem Rabiu Babatunde • Dr. Dalmirio Maia • Prof. Paul Baki 13.00-1400 LUNCH

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