# Quick Review of Past activities Asian Water Cycle Initiative (AWCI) as the Task Group 1 of AOGEO











**AOGEO** is a Regional Group on Earth Observations (Regional GEO) which envisions a future where decisions and actions for the benefit of humankind are informed by coordinated, comprehensive and sustained Earth observations.



**AWCI** aims to promote comprehensive efforts to solve water-related problems in Asia.

# GEOSS Asian Water Cycle Initiative (AWCI) The 11th GEOSS Asia-Pacific Symposium in Kyoto, JAPAN, October 24-26, 2018



- Progress reports of the Platforms in Myanmar, the Philippines and Sri Lanka.
- Contribution to the SDGs, Paris Agreement, and Sendai Framework.
- Joint discussion between TG1:AWCI and TG5:AsiaRiCE.

## **Inputs into the Kyoto Statement**

#### Sustainable Development Goals for 2030

It is critical to end poverty and hunger, achieve gender equity, and make societies and economies resilient to water-related disasters in both urban and rural areas. AWCI launches full-scale efforts to activate Platforms on Water Resilience and Disasters by promoting dialogues, reinforcing partnerships, sharing data, information, models, tools, experiences and ideas, and expanding sustainable practices. AWCI promotes initiatives that will address targets in Goal 6 on Water use efficiency and Integrated Water Resources Management as well as SDGs related to Poverty (1), Food Security (2) and Life on Land (11).

#### Paris Climate Agreement

AWCI accelerates regional coordination to build capacity for identifying, monitoring and predicting the changing probability of water-related disasters and their associated risks, develop and share user-friendly analysis tools, and engage all stakeholders in climate change adaptation planning and implementation at the national scale and fill the gap between adaptation and mitigation by choosing adaptation options that are beneficial to mitigation.

#### Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Development

AWCI facilitates the implementation of Platforms on Water Resilience and Disasters to promote the four priorities for action in the Sendai Framework.

AWCI provides usable and actionable information on thematic activities including preparedness and mitigation at each step of water-related disaster management. AWCI also archives disaster damage data and maintains statistics for encouraging investments for water-related disaster risk reduction.

GEO Priorities	Cross-Cutting Areas	TG1	Clas
1.NO POVERTY		3	A,I
2.ZERO HUNGER		3	A,I
3. GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING		1	A,I
4.QUALITY EDUCATION		1	A,I
5.GENDER EQUALITY		2	A,I
6.CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION		3	C,D
7.AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY		2	C,I
8.DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH		1	-
9.INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND		1	A,I
INFRASTRUCTURE		2	C,I
10.REDUCED INEQUALITIES		1	A,I
11.SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND		3	C,I
COMMUNITIES 12.RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND			
PRODUCTION		1	A,I
13.CLIMATE ACTION		3	C,I
14.LIFE BELOW WATER		2	A,I
15.LIFE ON LAND		3	C, I
16.PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG		1	A, I
INSTITUTIONS 17.PARTNERSHIP FOR THE GOALS		3	C,I
<b>2</b>	Cross-Cutting		
GEO Priorities	Areas	TG1	Cla
Adaptation		3	С
Loss & Damage		3	С
Capacity Development/Technology Tra+B9		3	С
National Reporting/Global Stocktake		0	
Mitigation		2	Α
Understanding disaster risk		3	С
Strengthening disaster risk governance to		3	C.
manage disaster risk Investing in disaster risk reduction for		,	
resilience		3	С
Enhancing disaster preparedness for effective response, and to "Build Back			
Better" in recovery, rehabilitation and		3	С
reconstruction			
	Data Sharing Infrastructure	3	С
	User		
	Engagement and	3	С

Scoring: 0=Do nothing 1=less active

2=active

3=very active

#### Timing:

- Current (C)
- Aspirational (A)

# AOGEO Asian Water Cycle Initiative (AWCI) The 12th AOGEO Symposium

in Canberra, Australia, November 3, 2019



#### **Towards**

- Concerted actions for the three global key agendas.
- Successful implementation of "International Decade (2018-2028) for Action

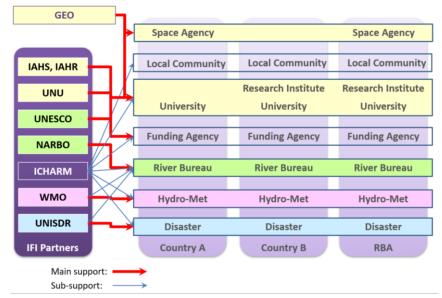
   Water for Sustainable Development"

## **Inputs into the Canberra Statement**

#### **Practical Contributions to the Global Agendas**



## Regional Cooperation during the UN Water & SD Decade



- AWCI launched full-scale efforts to activate
   Platforms on Water Resilience and Disasters by
   promoting dialogues, reinforcing partnership,
   sharing data, information, models, tools,
   experiences and ideas, and expanding sustainable
   practices.
- AWCI has developed user-friendly analysis tools and engaged all stakeholders in climate change adaptation planning and implementation at the national scale, and filled the gap between adaptation and mitigation by choosing options which are beneficial to mitigation.
- AWCI archived disaster damage data and maintains statistics for encouraging investment for water-related disaster risk reduction. For risk managers of water-related disasters, it is important to under-stand the impact of drought and flood on agriculture using EO data in the activities of AsiaRiCE and Drought Monitoring.
- AWCI promotes concerted actions among stakeholders on resilience, sustainability, inclusive growth, and adaptation to climate change through coordination towards achievement of the three global agendas.



#### What's New

2021.2.19 Agendas of each Session are available

2021.2.9 The website/registration is open.

The overview and the week at a glance of the symposium are available

#### **Welcome to the 13th AOGEO Symposium website!**

When: Wednesday 3, - Friday 5 March, 2021 Where: Online

https://aogeo.net/2021/

#### About the Symposium

The 13<sup>th</sup> Asia-Oceania Group on Earth Observations (AOGEO) Symposium provides a regional forum to bring together the GEO community in Asia-Oceania (AO) to exchange scientific and technical views on Earth observations (EO) and their applications for regional and global priorities, as well as report on tasks in AOGEO. It is organized by Japan's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT), with support from the GEO Secretariat.

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#### Theme of the Symposium

"Enhancing the well-being of people in the Asia-Oceania region through Earth observations in the face of COVID-19 impacts — design and implement future steps for Earth observations to realize global agendas, i.e. international policy linked to the GEO engagement priorities".

The discussion results in the AWCI Session will be conveyed to the 13th AOGEO Symposium