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# **UN Office for Outer Space Affairs:**

## **UN-affiliated Regional Centres for Space Science and Technology Education**

**Space Tools for Monitoring Air Pollution and Energy Use for Sustainable  
Development**

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- 4. Africa: Nigeria*
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## UN Office for Outer Space Affairs

- ◆ **Mandated by the Fourth Committee of the UN General Assembly and the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS) and its subsidiary bodies**
  - ◆ Intergovernmental Process
  - ◆ Programme on Space Applications
  - ◆ Inter-Agency Meeting on Outer Space Activities
  - ◆ Responsibilities of the Secretary-General under the UN Treaties and Principles on Outer Space



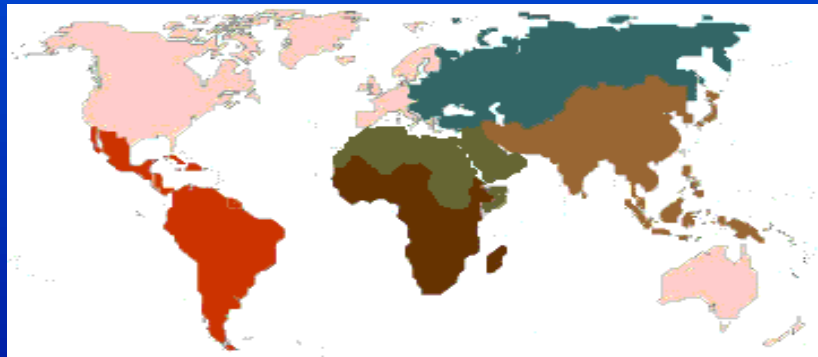
- ◆ **Third United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNISPACE III)**
  - ◆ **1999 UNISPACE III: The Space Millennium - Vienna Declaration on Space and Human Development**
    - ◆ Action Teams established by COPUOS under voluntary leadership by Member States
  - ◆ **2004 UNISPACE III+5 Plan of Action contained in the report of COPUOS to the UNGA on the review of the implementation of the recommendations of UNISPACE III and endorsed by the UNGA**





## UN Information Dissemination Network

- ◆ **United Nations International Space Information System (UNISIS)**  
<http://www.unoosa.org/>
- ◆ **United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Offices**
  - ◆ UNDP cooperates with governments and peoples, largely in developing countries
    - ◆ 178 offices worldwide
    - ◆ Cc: 185 Permanent Missions of UN Member States



UNDP Regional groupings

- ◆ **United Nations Information Centres and Offices**
  - ◆ Located in over 60 nations in all regions.





## Regional Centres for Space Science and Technology Education affiliated to the United Nations

- ◆ **The Regional Centres for Space Science and Technology Education were created under the auspices of the United Nations through its Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)**
- ◆ **The goal of the Centres is to develop, through in-depth education, an indigenous capability for research and applications in the core disciplines of Remote Sensing and Geographical Information Systems, Satellite Communications, Satellite Meteorology and Global Climate, and Space and Atmospheric Sciences as well as data management.**
- ◆ **Regional Centres located in:**
  - ◆ **African region: CRASTE-LF (Morocco), CSSTE-E (Nigeria)**
  - ◆ **Asia and Pacific region: CSSTEAP (India)**
  - ◆ **Latin America and the Caribbean: CRECTEALC (Brazil and Mexico)**





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## Regional Centres for Space Science and Technology Education affiliated to the United Nations: Mandate

**The United Nations General Assembly, in its resolution 45/72 of 11 December 1990 endorsed the recommendation of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space that**

***"... the United Nations should lead, with the active support of its specialized agencies and other international organizations, an international effort to establish regional centres for space science and technology education in existing national/regional educational institutions in the developing countries. "***





## Regional Centres for Space Science and Technology Education affiliated to the United Nations: Mandate

**In 1995, the United Nations General Assembly further endorsed the regional centres initiative and in its resolution 50/27 of 6 December 1995, and recommended that**

***"... these centres be established on the basis of affiliation to the United Nations as early as possible and that such affiliation would provide the centres with the necessary recognition and would strengthen the possibilities of attracting donors and of establishing academic relationships with national and international space-related institutions."***

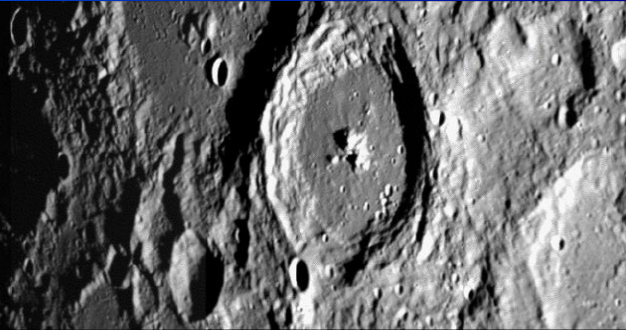
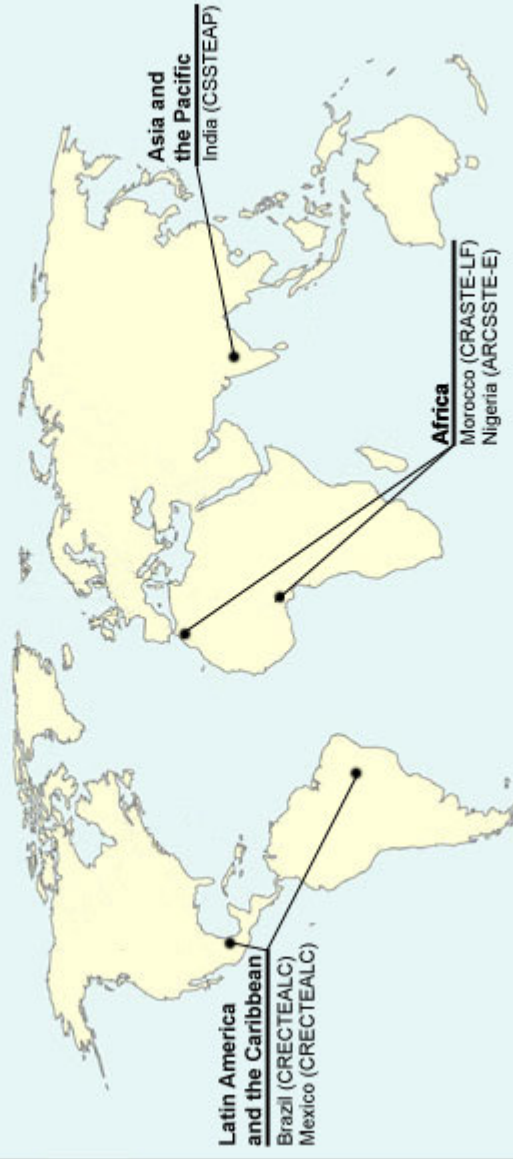




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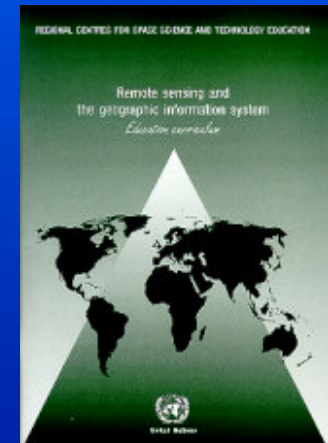
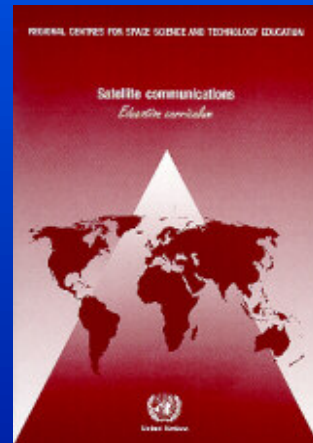
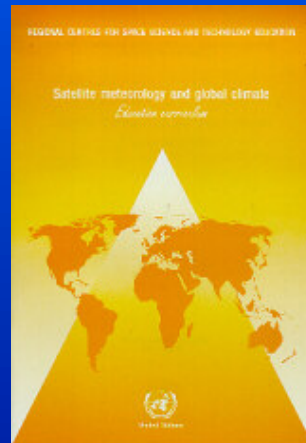
## Regional Centres for Space Science and Technology Education (affiliated to the United Nations)





## Education curricula

- The United Nations Programme on Space Applications, with the support of prominent educators, developed a set of standard curricula to be adopted by the centres for each topic of the core disciplines







## Centre for Space Science and Technology Education in the Asia and Pacific region (CSSTEAP)

- ◆ **CSSTEAP is located at Dehradun on the campus of the Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS). The Centre also has two operational offices at Ahmedabad on the campus of Space Applications Centre (SAC) and at Physical Research Laboratory (PRL)**



**CSSTEAP Hqs, Dehra Dun**



**IIRS, Dehradun**



**SAC, Ahmedabad**

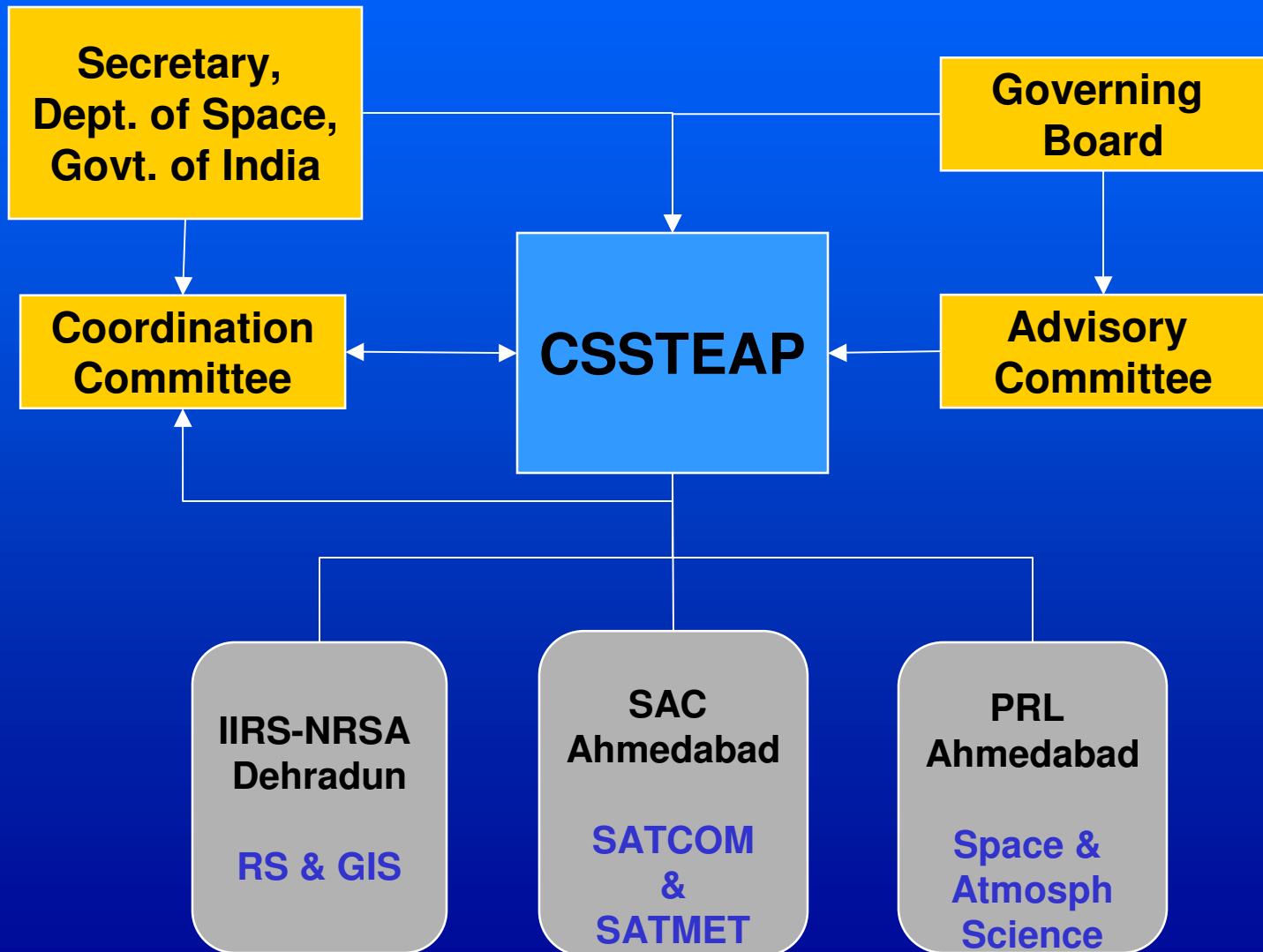


**PRL, Ahmedabad**





## CSSTEAP Organizational Structure





## CSSTEAP Post-graduate Academic Structure

9-month course  
at IIRS in  
RS/GIS

9-month course  
at SAC in  
SATCOM

9-month course  
at SAC in  
SATMET

9-month course  
at PRL in Space  
Science

Award of PG diploma  
by CSSTEAP

1 year follow-up project in  
home country

CSSTEAP 1 year  
fellowship in India

*By merit, since  
2004, at IIRS*

Award of Masters (M.Tech) degree by Andhra University





## CSSTEAP Linkages

### India:

- ◆ **DOS/ISRO Host Institutions & other institutions**
- ◆ **Andhra University – Recognition of PGD curricula to meet course-work requirement of Mtech**
- ◆ **GOI Organisations for international student travel support**
- ◆ **Academic Linkage with Universities/Institutes for Guest Faculty**

### International:

- ◆ **UN Agencies including UNOOSA, UNESCO, UNDP, WMO – fellowships / travel support/ sponsor short courses**
- ◆ **International Centres (ICIMOD, TWAS, GDTA\*) – Student sponsorship/ exchange**
- ◆ **Universities / Institutes: Guest Faculty (US,UK,Europe...)**





## CSSTEAP Post-graduate student statistics

Year	Courses				Participants from:
	RS & GIS	SATCOM	SATMET	Space Sci	
1996-97	25 students 14 countries				Afghanistan Azerbaijan Bangladesh Bhutan Cambodia China DPR Korea Fiji India Indonesia Iran Japan Korea Kazakhstan Kyrgyzstan Lao PDR Malaysia Maldives Mongolia Myanmar Nepal Pakistan Papua N.G Philippines Sri Lanka Thailand Tajikistan Taiwan Uzbekistan Vietnam
1997-98	23 students 14 countries	13 students 9 countries			
1998-99	21 students 11 countries		17 students 10 countries	10 students 7 countries	
1999-2000	17 students 11 countries	18 students 8 countries			
2000-2001	19 students 13 countries		21 students 13 countries	9 students 5 countries	
2001-2002	20 students 13 countries	14 students 8 countries			
2002-2003	23 students 13 countries		19 students 13 countries	11 students 3 countries	
2003-2004	21 students 16 countries	15 students 7 countries			
2004-2005	20 students 11 countries		15 students 10 countries	9 students 5 countries	
2005-2006	19 students* 13 countries	12 students* 6 countries			





## CSSTEAP Course record

- ◆ **The Centre has conducted 23 nine-month Post-graduate courses:**
  - ◆ 10 courses in RS and GIS
  - ◆ 5 courses in SATCOM
  - ◆ 4 courses in SATMET
  - ◆ 4 courses in Space Science
- ◆ **The Centre has also conducted 16 short-term courses/ workshops and awareness programmes**
- ◆ **These programs have benefited 596 participants from 30 countries in the Asia-Pacific region (360 in long-term courses and 236 in short-term courses & workshops)**
- ◆ **In addition, 26 participants from 16 countries outside Asia-Pacific region have been trained at CSSTEAP**





## CSSTEAP web-site

The screenshot shows the CSSTEAP homepage in a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window. The browser title is "Centre for Space Science and Technology Education in Asia and The Pacific (CSSTEAP) - (Affiliat - Microsoft Internet Explorer p". The address bar shows "http://www.cssteap.org/". The page content includes a navigation menu on the left with links to Introduction, Courses, Administrative Body, Publications, Pilot Projects, and International Linkages. The main content area features the CSSTEAP logo and the text "CENTRE FOR SPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (CSSTEAP) (Affiliated to The United Nations)". Below this, there is a "LATEST NEWS" section with a link to "Memoirs RS&GIS 8th Pg Course in RS&GIS". There are also three image thumbnails labeled "IIRS", "SAC", and "PRL". The bottom of the browser window shows the Windows taskbar with the Start button and various application icons.

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## African Centre for Space Science and Technology - in French Language (CRASTE-LF)

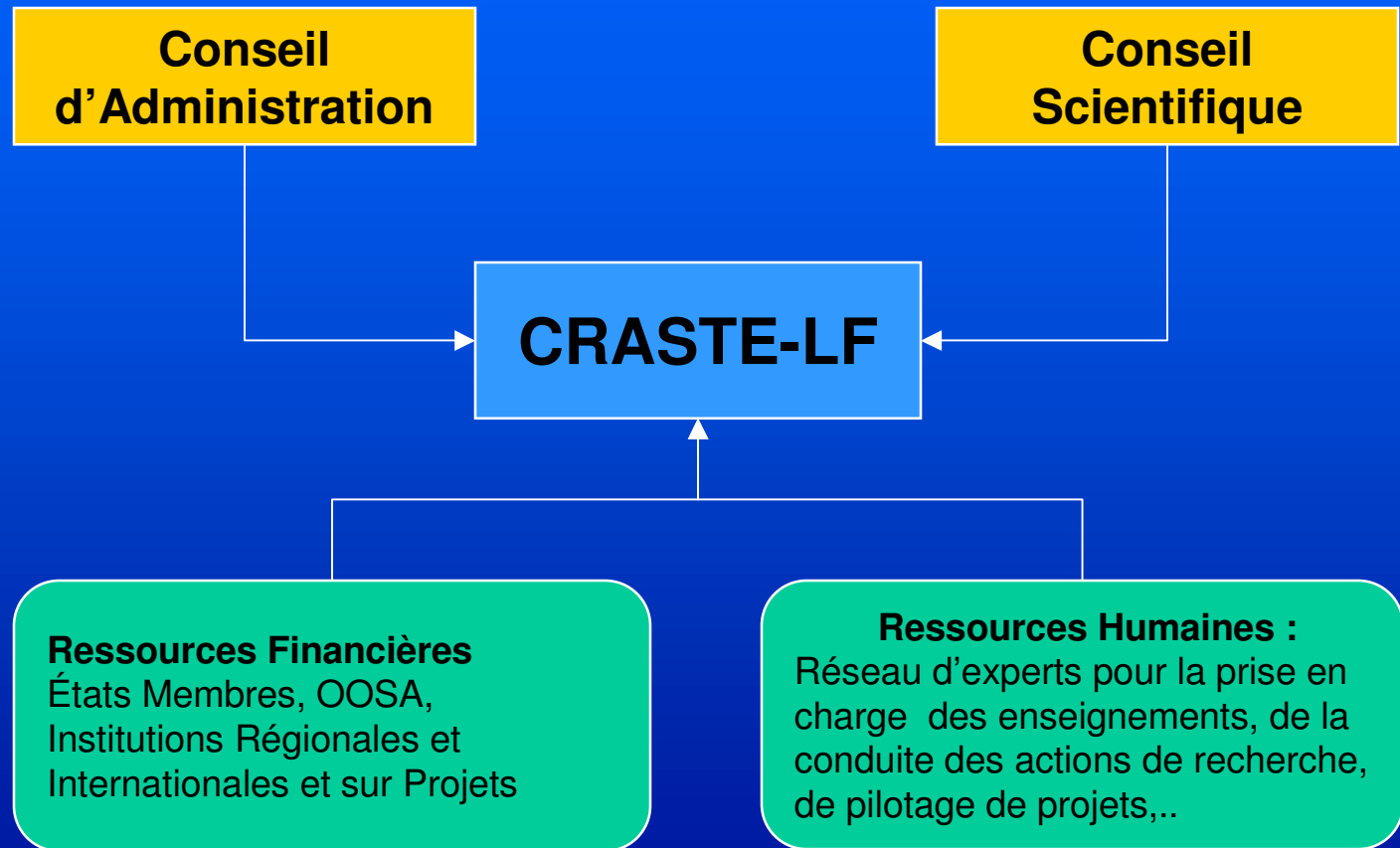
- **CRASTE-LF is located at the L'Ecole Mohammadia D'Ingenieurs in Rabat, Morocco.**







## CRASTE-LF Organizational Structure





## La formation au CRASTE-LF

- ◆ **Pour la Mise en œuvre des programmes, encadrement des actions de formation, de recherche et d'animation scientifique:**
  - ◆ **Réseau de compétences et d'expertises régionales**
    - ◆ constitution et consolidation d'un espace régional de formation, de recherche et de coopération au service du développement de la région,
    - ◆ endiguer l'hémorragie des cadres africains à travers la valorisation de leurs savoirs, de leurs compétences, en assurant leur mobilité et leur implication dans le développement régional.,...
  - ◆ **Expertise internationale : institutions partenaires telles l'ESA, le CNES, l'Agence Spatiale Canadienne, l'IUT, EUMETSAT, ...**





## CRASTE-LF Course record

- ◆ **The Centre has conducted 8 nine-month Post-graduate courses:**
  - ◆ 4 courses in RS and GIS
  - ◆ 2 courses in SATCOM
  - ◆ 2 courses in SATMET
- ◆ **The Centre has also conducted 10 workshops**
- ◆ **These long-term programmes have benefited 80 participants from 16 countries in the African region**





## CRASTE-LF web-site

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying <http://www.oosa.unvienna.org/SAP/centres/morocco/index.html>. The page content includes the Office for Outer Space Affairs logo and a navigation menu on the left. The main content area features the title "CENTRE REGIONAL AFRICAINE DES SCIENCES ET TECHNOLOGIES DE L'ESPACE EN LANGUE FRANÇAISE - C..R..A..S..T..E.. - L..F..", a link to a printer-friendly version, and two sections: "Bilans des sessions de formation post-graduée" and "Ateliers d'ouvertures de session de formation".

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[Printer Friendly version]

**CENTRE REGIONAL AFRICAINE DES SCIENCES ET TECHNOLOGIES DE L'ESPACE EN LANGUE FRANÇAISE - C..R..A..S..T..E.. - L..F..**

**Bilans des sessions de formation post-graduée**

- [Bilan de la 1<sup>ère</sup> session de Formation Post-Graduée en Télédétection et Systèmes d'Information Géographique, Avril 2000 – février 2001](#)
- [Bilan de la 2<sup>ème</sup> Session de Formation Post-Graduée en Télédétection et Systèmes d'Information Géographique, Décembre 2001 – juillet 2002](#)
- [Bilan de la 1<sup>ère</sup> Session de Formation Post-Graduée en Météorologie Spatiale et Climat Global Février 2002 – octobre 2002](#)
- [Bilan de la 1<sup>ère</sup> Session de Formation Post-Graduée en Télécommunications Spatiales, novembre 2000 – juillet 2001](#)
- [Bilan de la 2<sup>ème</sup> Session de Formation Post-Graduée en Télécommunications Spatiales, 2002-2003](#)

**Ateliers d'ouvertures de session de formation**

- [Atelier d'Ouverture de la 2<sup>ème</sup> Session de Formation Post-Graduée en Télédétection et Systèmes d'Information Géographique \(Rabat, les 3 et 4 décembre 2001\)](#)
- [Atelier d'Ouverture de la 2<sup>ème</sup> Session de Formation Post-Graduée en Télécommunications Spatiales \(Rabat, le 26 novembre 2002\)](#)

CRASTE-LF homepage:

<http://www.unoosa.org/oosa/SAP/centres/morocco/index.html>



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## **African Regional Centre for Space Science and Technology Education - in English Language (CSSTE-E)**

- **CSSTE-E is located at the Obafemi Awolowo University in Ile-Ife, Nigeria.**



**ARCSTE-E, OAU CAMPUS, ILE-IFE**





## CSSTE-E Course record

- ◆ **The Centre has conducted 7 nine-month Post-graduate courses:**
  - ◆ 2 courses in RS and GIS (since 1999)
  - ◆ 2 courses in SATCOM (since 2000)
  - ◆ 2 courses in SATMET (since 2001)
  - ◆ 1 course in Space Science (since 2005)
- ◆ **The Centre has also conducted 8 short-term courses/ workshops and seminars**
- ◆ **These programs have benefited 30 participants from 9 countries in the African region.**





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## CSSTE-E web-site


ARCSSTEE-E Home Page - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by UNOV-ITS

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*Notice: The downloadable forms and Online Registration for the Postgraduate Course In Satellite Technology and Application are now available for the 2004/2005 Admissions.*

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The second united Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNISPACE '82) held in Vienna, Austria; recommended that the United Nations Programme on Space Applications should focus its attention, inter alia, on the development of indigenous capabilities in space science and technology at the local level. The United Nations General assembly (GA) endorsed that recommendation in its resolution 37/90 of 10<sup>th</sup> December 1982.

The GA in its resolution 45/72 of 11<sup>th</sup> December, 1990 also endorsed the recommendation of its Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COUPOS) that the United Nations should lead, with the active support of its specialized agencies and other international organizations, an international effort to establish regional Centres for space science and technology education in existing national/regional educational institutions in the developing countries (A/AC. 105/456, annex II, para 4 {4} ). This endorsement of the GA was in recognition that an essential pre-requisite to successful space technology application was the building of indigenous capabilities, particularly human resources, within each region. In particular, the endorsement recognized that if effective administrative and appropriate applications of space technology were to succeed in the developing countries, efforts must be devoted at the local

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<http://www.arcsstee.org/>



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## Regional Centre for Space Science and Technology Education for Latin America and the Caribbean (CRECTEALC)

- The Brazil campus of CRECTEALC is located in São José dos Campos, São Paulo. It is hosted by the National Institute of Space Research (INPE).







## CRECTEALC History

- ◆ **MARCH 1997:** Brazil and Mexico signed the “Agreement to establish the Centre for Space Science and Technology Education for Latin America and the Caribbean”.
- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 2000:** Agreement of Headquarters firming by CRECTEALC with the Government of Brazil.
- ◆ **OCTOBER 2002:** Operational Agreement firming by CRECTEALC with the Government of Mexico.
- ◆ **JUNE 2003:** Affiliation Agreement firming by CRECTEALC with UN OOSA.





## CRECTEALC Administration

### CAMPI:

- ◆ The Campi are responsible for the planning, the organization, the implementation and the administration of education programmes in the areas concerning the competence of the Centre.
- ◆ There are two campus located in:
  - ◆ **Brazil**
    - ◆ Host institution: National Space Research Institute – INPE  
São José dos Campos, São Paulo, Brazil
  - ◆ **Mexico**
    - ◆ Host institution: National Institute for Astrophysics, Optics and Electronics – INAOE Tonantzintla, Puebla, Mexico





## **CRECTEALC Support**

- ◆ **Foreign Relations Ministry of Brazil – MRE**
- ◆ **Foreign Relations Secretary of Mexico – SRE**
- ◆ **Brazilian Space Agency – AEB**
- ◆ **National Institute for Space Research – INPE/MCT**
- ◆ **National Institute of Astrophysics, Optics and Electronics – INAOE**
- ◆ **National Council for Science and Technology – CONACYT**
- ◆ **National Council for Scientific and Technological Development – CNPq/MCT**
- ◆ **University of the United Nations – UNU**
- ◆ **United Nations Office of Outer Space Affairs – UN OOSA**
- ◆ **Organization of the American States – OAS**





## CRECTEALC International Course on RS&GIS

- ◆ From 1985 to 2002, the 7-month Course was promoted under the responsibility of the National Institute for Space Research - INPE of the Ministry of Science and Technology-MCT of Brazil.
- ◆ From 2003 to 2005, 36 students have graduated from this course under the coordination of the CRECTEALC/Campus Brazil. This year, 7 students should graduate and the total will reach 43 students.
- ◆ Up to December 2006 the Course will form 189 specialists from Algeria, Argentine, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Ghana, Honduras, Kenya, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Nigeria, Senegal, Uruguay and Venezuela.





## **CRECTEALC 9-month post-graduate course in RS & GIS**

- ◆ **CRECTEALC (Campus Brazil) has conducted 2 nine-month Post-graduate courses: in RS & GIS.**
  - ◆ 25 students from 10 countries from the region participated.
- ◆ **The CRECTEALC (Campus Brazil) has also promoted 4 workshops on RS & GIS.**
- ◆ **THE CRECTEALC (Campus Mexico) is organizing its first post graduate course in RS & GIS to be carried out at the premises of the National Institute of Optical and Electronic Astrophysics in Tonantzintla, Puebla, Mexico, where the Center is headquartered.**





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## CRECTEALC web-site



CRECTEALC homepage:

<http://www.inpe.br/unidades/cep/atividadescep/crectevalc>



## General Assembly resolution 60/99

### **In 2005, the UN GA, in its resolution 60/99**

***“Notes with satisfaction that, ..., the African regional centres ... , in the French language and in the English language, located in Morocco and Nigeria, respectively, as well as the regional centre ... in Asia and the Pacific and the regional centre ... for Latin America and the Caribbean, entered into an affiliation agreement with the Office ... of the Secretariat and have continued their education Programmes in 2005; “***

***“Agrees that the regional centres referred to in [the] paragraph Above should continue to report to the Committee on their activities on an annual basis;***

***Notes with satisfaction that the centre ... in Asia and the Pacific celebrated its tenth anniversary in 2005.”***





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