



African Geospace Society: Example of Continental-Wide Collaboration in Africa

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African Geospace Society AGS is an innovation by the African geoscientists, working in the fields of relevance to Earth, Planetary and Space Sciences, that has widely received acceptance. The Society AGS is a dynamic, innovative, and interdisciplinary scientific association committed to the pursuit of understanding of Earth and Space for the benefit of mankind. Establishment of AGS demonstrates that scientific research and administration can be effectively carried out by Africans within the region, in cooperation with other sister regional bodies, in order to achieve sustainable manpower development and effective utilization of human resources towards scientific development of the region. The fundamental objectives of AGS are to: (i) Promote the study of the Earth, other planets and Space; and their environments in Africa, (ii) Promote cooperation between scientists and among scientific organizations involved in geophysics and related disciplines, (iii) Initiate and participate in research programs in Earth sciences, space science and related disciplines, (iv) Advance the various relevant disciplines through scientific discussion, publication, and dissemination of information and (v) Encourage programmes and research in geophysics, space science and other related disciplines that will advance economy development and sustainable growth in the African region. Strength and National distribution of membership were discussed. Activities of AGS since inception are highlighted and the Society is presented as a virile example of intracontinental cooperation. AGS is at present forging strong partnership with other regional and academic societies of equivalent objectives viz: American Geophysical Union AGU, Asia-Oceania Geosciences Society AOGS, European Geosciences Union EGU, IUGG, Royal Astronomical Society, URSI, WMO etc