IAA Study Group Status Report

Responsible Commission:

COMMISSION 1: Space Physical Science

Study Number and Title:

1.9 Satellite remote sensing of aerosols in the Earth atmosphere

Short Study Description (repeat from Study Group Proposal):

Overall Goal:

The polarymetry satellite remote sensing purpose and place in the investigation of temporal and spatial distribution of physical parameters of troposphere and stratosphere aerosol and cloud particles in the Earth atmosphere including evaluation their influence on climate, ecology and weather.

Intermediate Goals:

1. Long-term satellite global monitoring and database creation of optical, micro- and macrophysical and chemical characteristics of aerosol and cloud in the Earth atmosphere, their spatial and temporal distribution.

2. Precise quantitative determination of aerosol input to the Earth climate system energy balance.

3. Determination of antropogeneous aerosol impact on Earth climate change and ecology.

Methodology:

Forming an international study group, draft a detailed schedule of the study. Agreement on a study report outline.

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Assigning individual responsibility for parts of the study report.

Assigning editor to coordinate individual parts and compile a coherent study report.

Work to be conducted through on-line collaboration and study group meetings held in the course of annual International Astronautical Congresses and the IAA Spring meetings.

Time Line: 2 to 3 Years

Final Product: Report, publications

Target Community: Scientists, engineers, Governments at large, local authorities, Space Agencies, UN, European Commission

Support Needed: TBD

Potential Sponsors:

National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

State Space Agency of Ukraine (SSAU)

NASA

CNES

UN COPUOS

European Commission

Progress in past six months:

The methodology of the aerosol polarymetry satellite remote sensing mission and ground-based validation has been studied. The paper on ground-based aerosol data development and analysis has been published.

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Study Plan and Schedule

Webpages for Study Group Membership, Study Plan and Schedule at Aerosol-UA Project website http://aerosol-ua.mao.kiev.ua/index.php/en/main still are under development. Few papers on Study Group theme have been published and are under preparing.

Issues requiring resolution? (recommend approach):

Product Deliveries on Schedule? (If modified explain rationale):

Report, publications

Study Team Member Changes? (List any Study Team Members that you wish to discontinue, and provide names plus contact coordinates of any Members you wish to add on the second page of this Study Update form.) Note: Complete contact information including email, tel. and fax must be provided for all additions. Only Members with complete contact information will be listed and receive formal appointment letters from the IAA Secretariat.)

No changes

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Study Team Membership Changes

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