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NOAA To Hold 6th GOES Users' Conference

The 6th GOES Users' Conference, "Bringing Environmental Benefits to a Society of Users," organized by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) with support from the Cooperative Institute for Meteorological Satellite Studies/Space Science and Engineering Center at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, will be held Nov. 3-5, 2009, at the Monona Terrace Convention Center in Madison, Wisconsin. An Interest Form is now available online.

The conference objectives are to: seek ways and define methodologies to ensure user readiness for the GOES-N and -R series; continue to improve communication between NOAA and the GOES user communities; inform users on the status of the GOES-N and -R series constellation, instruments, and operations; and promote understanding of the various applications of data and products from the GOES-R series. The conference will consist of speaker presentations, poster sessions, breakout sessions, and opportunity for user feedback.

GOES-R, planned for launch in 2015, will provide critical atmospheric, oceanic, climatic, solar, and space data. The new satellites will provide the user community with significantly more data, with noteworthy improvements in temporal and spatial resolutions.

Abstracts and corresponding posters are solicited for this conference on both current and future GOES. This includes topics pertaining to instruments, heritage instruments, products and applications. Of special interest are posters describing examples of the links between research and operations. Submit your poster abstract electronically by Oct. 16, 2009.

For more information, please see:
http://cimss.ssec.wisc.edu/goes_r/meetings/guc2009. Please complete the interest form at: http://cimss.ssec.wisc.edu/goes_r/meetings/guc2009/interest/

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