

International Symposium: Benefiting from Earth Observation: Bridging the Data Gap for Adaptation to Climate Change in the Hindu Kush-Himalayan Region
4 – 6 October, Kathmandu, Nepal
Tentative Programme (including pre and post symposium)

Date	Morning Session (8:30 AM – 13:00 PM)	Lunch (13:00 PM – 14:00 PM)	Afternoon Session (14:00 PM – 17:30 PM)	Evening Session (18:00 PM – 21:00 PM)
1 – 6 OCT	<u><i>Special Event:</i></u> Youth Forum Youth Forum Empowering Youth with Earth Observation Information for Climate Actions - Venue ICIMOD, Kathmandu			
2-3 OCT	Pre-symposium workshop on space based information for disaster preparedness and risk management (Invited participants only) - Venue ICIMOD, Kathmandu			
4-OCT	<u><i>Plenary Session:</i></u> Inaugural and Keynote Addresses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hon’l Minister MoEF, Govt. of India • Hon’l Minister MoST, Govt. of Nepal • NASA-Administrator • USAID-Administrator • GEO-Director • ICIMOD-Director General SERVIR Himalaya Launching Ceremony (Hall 1 & 2: Meghar/Malahar)	Lunch hosted by: <i>Rose Garden</i>	<u><i>Keynote session:</i></u> Regional and Global Initiatives: Climate Change and Earth Observation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICIMOD • SPARSSO • CMA • ISRO • SUPARCO • JAXA (Hall 1 & 2: Meghar/Malahar)	Inauguration of Exhibition and Poster Session Official dinner hosted by DG, ICIMOD <i>Rose Garden</i>
5-Oct	<u><i>Thematic Session I (A):</i></u> Remote sensing of cryosphere (Snow cover mapping and modeling) (Hall 1: Meghar)	Lunch hosted by: <i>Rose Garden</i>	<u><i>Thematic session I (B):</i></u> Remote sensing of cryosphere (Glacier mapping and modeling) (Hall 1: Meghar)	Cultural Show and Dinner
	<u><i>Thematic session II:</i></u> Spatial decision support system (DSS) for ecosystem (Hall 2: Malahar)		<u><i>Thematic Session IV:</i></u> Land cover change, and carbon stocks (Hall 2: Malahar)	

6-Oct	<u>Thematic Session VI:</u> Spatial data infrastructure (SDI) for climate change adaptation (Hall 1: Meghar)	Lunch hosted by: <i>Rose Garden</i>	<u>Concluding Session:</u> Panel discussion and valedictory Youth forum concluding session Symposium concluding session (Hall 1 & 2: Meghar and Malahar)	Free
	<u>Thematic Session III:</u> Space based information for disaster management (Hall 2: Malahar)			
	<u>Thematic session V:</u> Transboundary air pollution monitoring and modeling (Hall 3: Malshree)			
7-Oct	SERVRI Himalaya Inception Workshop (Invited participants)			