

VLab Report of Activities for Supporting Agencies

The Questions in this form should be answered based on the VLab activities of your Institution for the period from January to December 2015.

About the Institution

1. Please select your Institution from the list below. *

Brazilian National Institute for Space Research - INPE 

2. Please select from the list below the Centre(s) of Excellence (CoEs) you directly support. *

Please select all options that are relevant.

- Argentina
- Australia
- Barbados
- Brazil
- China - Beijing
- China - Nanjing
- Costa Rica
- Kenya
- Morocco
- Niger
- Oman
- Republic of Korea
- Russian Federation
- South Africa

3. What were the major achievements in supporting VLab CoE(s) during this reporting period? *

INPE provided an excellent support for face to face training during the reporting period. Administrative personnel, training facilities and transportation were provided by INPE and also most of the trainers are INPE's scientific staff. Access to satellite imagery was guaranteed for all students for hands-on examples.

4. What were the main difficulties in supporting VLab CoE(s) during this reporting period? *

We still don't have any dedicated personnel for VLab activities.

5. Does this institution have a webpage dedicated to explain its involvement and support to VLab (as indicated in the document "VLab Expectations from Satellite Operators)? *

Yes

No

If "Yes" was selected from the question above, please provide the URL to access the webpage

About Training

6. Is any kind of Learning Management System used by your institution to conduce training activities? *

- Moodle
- Edmond
- ConnectEDU
- Learning Management System is not used
- Other:

7. Can the CoE(s) supported by your institution request to use your Learning Management System in their VLab training events? *

- Yes
- No
- Learning Management System is not used

Please use the space below to provide any additional comments regarding Question 7 *

In fact, the CoE Brazil belong to the supporting agency (INPE)

8. Is any kind of Online Conferencing System used by your institution to conduce training activities? *

- Saba Centra
- Blackboard Collaborate
- GoTo (Webinar, Meeting)
- Cisco Webex
- Online Conferencing System is not used
- Other: Adobe Connect

9. Can the CoE(s) supported by your institution request to use your

Online Conferencing System in their VLab training events? *

- Yes
- No
- Online Conferencing System is not used

Please use the space below to provide any additional comments regarding Question 9 *

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10. Please list any training resource your institution has developed over this reporting period *

For each Training Resource please include: 1) Title of Training Resource, 2) Type of resource (e.g. text book, video, Moodle course, PowerPoint slides, recorded lecture, etc) and 3) Availability of resource (can be shared, institutional use only).

CEOS WGCapD & WGDisasters Distance Education Course - Recorded Lectures - available freely online (<http://wiki.obt.inpe.br/doku.php?id=webinars-disasters>).

11. What sort of training resources would your institution be interested in borrowing from other satellite operators, CoEs or training programmes, to adapt and reuse? *

If your institution is not interested in adapting and reusing training resources, please indicate reasons.

We are working together with NOAA to develop the SigmaCAST visualization and analysis tool for satellite imagery from GeonetCAST-Americas

About VLab collaboration

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Yes

No

Please comment on the answer above and, if applicable, suggest ways to improve collaboration *

We are working at the same institution (INPE)

13. Do you maintain regular contact with the other VLab Supporting Satellite Operators/Agencies to discuss data access and format issues as well as training needs to improve the use of satellite data and products? *

Yes

No

Please comment on the answer above and, if applicable, suggest ways to improve collaboration *

We are working closely with NOAA for dissemination, training and visualization on satellite imagery with emphasis on the next generation of satellites (i.e., GOES-R) and GeonetCAST-Americas as a tool for disseminate that information

14. What sort of support would you like to receive from other Supporting Satellite Operators/Agencies, CoEs, WMO Space Programme, VLab Co-chairs and TSO? *

Resources for face-to-face proving-ground training events for the next generation of satellites (i.e., GOES-R) would be very useful for the region

15. What sort of support could you offer to other Supporting Satellite

Operators/Agencies, CoEs and WMO Space Programme? *

This could be any kind of support. For example: collaborate in RFG sessions organised by other CoEs, organise joint training events in a particular subject, or any other support/collaboration you think the CoE could offer.

We can offer trainers in different languages (i.e., English, Spanish and Portuguese) to participate in RFG sessions or other training events.

Training Events organised in 2015

Please prepare a table containing all training events organised by your institution during this reporting period.

If you have submitted your events to the VLab Online Calendar, all you need to do is to download your report (CSV/Excel spreadsheet) directly from there. If the institution had conducted other training events considered as part of its VLab activities, that for some reason were not submitted to the Online Calendar, please add them to the spreadsheet downloaded from the Online Calendar.

In the case the institution has not submitted the training events to the Online Calendar, please prepare a table or spreadsheet (Excel or word) containing the data as indicated in the figure below.

The table/spreadsheet containing the training events organised by the institution in 2015 should be sent to the VLab TSO by email at luveeck@gmail.com

Example of Table of Events

Date	Title of Event	Location	WMO Region	Host	Type (online, classroom, blended, RFG)	Language	Number of trainees	Country of origin of trainees

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- By selecting this option I confirm that a table/spreadsheet containing the information about training events organised by this institution (as requested above) will be sent by email to the VLab TSO by the 30th of April 2016 (at the latest).
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