

## **ROSES-16 Amendment 57: Clarification and Delay of due date for Program Element A.50 Group on Earth Observations Work Programme**

Program Element A.50 seeks proposals to support and advance specific elements of the Group on Earth Observations (GEO)Work Programme (WP) 2017-2019. The NASA Earth Science Division (ESD), especially the Applied Sciences Program, has supported numerous activities related to past GEO Work Programmes, which have advanced GEO and furthered U.S. and NASA interests. The ESD Applied Sciences Program created this solicitation to foster broader domestic involvement in a U.S. national approach to GEO and the Work Programme. The solicitation targets nine items in the GEO Work Programme 2017-2019.

Key objectives of A.50 GEO WP include:

- Achieve demonstrable progress, results, and accomplishments in specific elements of the GEO Work Programme;
- Advance use of Earth observations to inform decisions and actions;
- Advance and broaden domestic involvement in the U.S. national support to GEO and the GEO Work Programme;
- Increase the uptake of Earth observations to inform decisions and actions and broaden the organizations routinely using them;
- Increase international collaboration and partnering across GEO and broaden the GEO community;
- Advance communication of the benefits of Earth science and observations.

This amendment clarifies Section 5.5 to explicitly state that the inclusion of a representative of USGEO member agency is optional. Although this has not added any new requirements or information that was not already available (in the answer to question 20 in the FAQ which may be found under other documents on the NSPIRES web page for this program element), the due date for proposals has been extended to March 10, 2017.

On or about February 23, 2017, this Amendment to the NASA Research Announcement "Research Opportunities in Space and Earth Sciences (ROSES) 2016" (NNH16ZDA001N) will be posted on the NASA research opportunity homepage at <http://nspires.nasaprs.com/>.

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