

Welcome to the 2015 NOAA Satellite Science Week

**On Behalf of the Organizing Committee-
Our Thanks ...**

- **To all the members of the planning committee(s)!**
 - **To UCAR for hosting our meeting!**
 - **To our 44 Speakers!**
 - **To our 54 Poster Presenters!**
 - **To our ~150 participants!**
 - **To the NOAT advisors!**
- **To the Independent Advisory Committee (IAC)!**

Setting the Stage

- **Opening Session Keynote Presentations**
 - NOAA as the Nation's Environmental Intelligence Agency- Richard Spinrad, NOAA Chief Scientist
 - The Earth System Analyzer: Using All of the Data to Improve Weather and Climate Prediction- Sandy MacDonald- OAR/ESRL Director
 - GOES-R Status- Greg Mandt, GOES-R Program System Director
 - JPSS Status- Mitch Goldberg, JPSS Program Senior Scientist

Themes and Focus Areas

- **Session 1: Clouds and Aerosols**
 - Tom Vonder Haar, Colorado State Univ.
- **Session 2: Space Weather**
 - Tom Berger, NCEP/Space Weather Prediction Center
- **Session 3: High Impact and Severe Weather**
 - Zoltan Toth, ESRL/GSD
- **Session 4: Climate**
 - Christian Kummerow, CIRA/Colorado State Univ.
- **Session 5: Arctic**
 - Waleed Abdalati, CIRES/Univ. Colorado
- **Session 6: Tropical Cyclones**
 - Mark DeMaria, NCEP/National Hurricane Center
- **Session 7: New Frontiers, Transformational Ideas**
 - Brian Motta, NWS/Training Division