**SPARC General Assembly 2018** 

I - 5 October - Kyoto, Japan



The 6<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of SPARC: Stratosphere-Troposphere Processes And their Role in Climate, a core project of the World Climate Research Programme, will bring together a large community of scientists from around the world. General Assemblies are opportunities for SPARC to take stock of what has been achieved, where gaps in the portfolio of research undertaken by SPARC need to be filled, and to define where SPARC needs to be moving to remain responsive to the needs of both its members and the users of SPARC research products.

Founded in 1992, SPARC has coordinated high-level research activities related to understanding Earth system processes for over two decades. More specifically, SPARC promotes and facilitates cutting-edge international research activities on how chemical and physical processes in the atmosphere interact with climate and climate change. Research is largely bottom-up driven and contributes significantly to international assessments, such as the assessments of ozone depletion by the World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) and UN Environment (UNEP), as well as the climate assessments of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). Find more information at www.sparc-climate.org.

## **SPARC General Assembly 2018 science themes:**

Connections of Atmospheric Composition and Chemistry to Weather and Climate

Climate Prediction from Weeks to Decades

Role of Atmospheric Dynamics for Climate Variability and Change

Atmospheric Impacts and Interactions related to Tropical Processes

Advances in observation and reanalysis datasets

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## **Important dates:**

Abstract submission starts: 15 January 2018

Travel support request deadline: 15 March 2018

Abstract submission deadline: | April 2018

Early-bird registration open: 15 April 2018

Early-bird registration deadline: | July 2018

Regular registration deadline: 2 September 2018

## Scientific Organising Committee co-chairs:

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The SPARC General Assembly 2018 will be held back-to-back with the 15<sup>th</sup> IGAC Science Conference, on 25-29 September 2018, in Takamatsu, Kagawa, Japan (icacgp-igac2018.org). See details on the Conference web page for special treatments for SPARC GA 2018 attendees who attend only the last two days of the iCACGP/IGAC conference and for iCACGP/IGAC conference attendees who attend only the first day of SPARC GA 2018.

Conference web page: www-mete.kugi.kyoto-u.ac.jp/SPARC\_GA2018







