WELCOME REMARKS

Ambassador Kazutoshi Aikawa, is the Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy of Japan in Washington, a post he assumed in October 2017. He is also the current Permanent Observer of Organization of American States (OAS). Prior to his present position, he served as Director General of Disarmament, Non Proliferation and Science, Ambassador at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan. In 2014, Ambassador Aikawa was Councilor at Japan’s Cabinet Secretariat after serving as the Deputy Director General (ASEAN/APEC SOM, G7 Sous Sherpa) at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan. His diplomatic experience include, serving in various outposts such as Japan’s Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York and the Embassy of Japan in Tehran. Ambassador Aikawa joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1983 and holds BL from the University of Tokyo and LLM from Colombia Law School.

Jonathan Margolis serves as Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Science, Space, and Health in the Department of State’s Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs. In this position, he is responsible for policies and programs in the areas of International Science & Technology Cooperation, Space, & Advanced Technologies, and International Health and Biodefense. From 2007-2011, Mr. Margolis served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Global Communications in the Bureau of International Information Programs. From 2006-2007, Mr. Margolis served as the Senior Coordinator for Global and Functional Issues in the Office of the Director of Foreign Assistance. From 1997-2006, Mr. Margolis served as the Department’s Special Representative for Sustainable Development and headed the U.S. Delegation to the UN Commission on Sustainable Development. He also served as a member of international science and technology boards and sustainability partnerships. Mr. Margolis has a Ph.D. from Harvard University in psychology, focusing on negotiation and conflict resolution. He holds a master’s degree from the Fletcher School of International Law and Diplomacy, and his undergraduate degree is in fine arts from Harvard College. He has also served as an Adjunct Professor at American University, and the Foreign Service Institute, where he has conducted courses on environmental policy, negotiations, and international organizations.

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**Ayako Matsuoka** is an Associate Professor in Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency. She has studied the electric and magnetic fields measured by satellites in space and the physics of the magneto-hydrodynamic waves. She has participated in the Japanese spacecraft missions exploring the terrestrial magnetosphere: AKEBONO (EXOS-D, launched in 1989) and GEOTAIL (1992), as a Co-Investigator of the electric field experiment. After she received the PhD at University of Tokyo in 1994, she started to work on the development of the magnetometer hardware to contribute to planetary and lunar exploration projects. She was Principal Investigator on the magnetic-field experiment (MGF) team of NOZOMI (Planet-B, 1998), and a Co-Investigator of the KAGUYA (SELENE, 2007) magnetometer (LMAG) team. She has been the Operation Manager of the AKEBONO mission since 1997, and the Project Manager from 2008 to 2015. Currently she is working on the magnetic field experiment as the Principal Investigator of ARASE (ERG, 2016) and Co-Principal Investigator of BepiColombo MIO (MMO, 2018).

**PERSPECTIVES FROM AROUND THE GLOBE**

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Mike Wiltberger is the new head of the Geospace Section within the Atmospheric and Geospace Science Division. Dr. Wiltberger comes to NSF from NCAR/HAO, where he works as a senior research scientist and Head of the AIM Section. His main area of research is the modeling of the magnetosphere and its interaction with the solar wind and coupled thermosphere-ionosphere system. Dr. Wiltberger earned his bachelor’s degree in physics from Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY, in 1993, and his PhD. in space plasma physics in 1998 from the University of Maryland, College Park. Amongst his many scientific accomplishments are pioneering work on the inclusion of ionospheric outflow and the application of advanced statistical analysis in global models and ground-breaking results proving the connection between localized reconnection and, so-called, Bursty Bulk Flows in high-resolution simulations of the magnetotail. During his career, Dr. Wiltberger also has served in many important community functions, including as chair of the GEM Steering Committee, vice-chair of the AMS Science and Technology Committee on Space Weather, and as Vice Chair of the Solar Wind-Magnetosphere Interactions Panel of the 2010 NRC Decadal Survey for Solar and Space Physics. Furthermore, he holds Adjunct Professor positions at Rice University and the University of Colorado at Boulder, through which he has supervised several graduate students.

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CONCLUDING REMARKS

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