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#### **International collaboration**

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## Overview

- Report on two events in October
- "Society and Space Weather" Workshop
  - Hosted by NASA Ames Res Center, 15-16 October
  - with support from Lockheed Martin, SWPC & RAL Space

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- EU Space Weather Awareness Dialogue
  - Berlaymont, Brussels, 25-26 October
  - Organised by EU Joint Research Centre (Stephan Lechner)



#### "Society and Space Weather"

- About 70 invited participants & presenters
  - from research, industry & government
  - mainly US, about 8 from Europe
- Reviewed space weather effects, impacts & mitigation
  - focus on what do we need to deliver for society
- Agenda & presentations on
  <u>http://event.arc.nasa.gov/swsw/agenda</u>
- Key outcomes
  - That we need to properly scope risk from space weather and to do that soon (end 2012?)
  - Proposal for a Society & Space Weather institute (next slide)



#### "Society and Space Weather"

- Proposal for a Society & Space Weather institute
  - Virtual institute (network of excellence?) with strong international element
  - Aim is to develop awareness of space weather risks and their mitigation and to bring together necessary expertise
  - Draft brochure available
  - Moving forward in US funding for business case/model
  - Further discussions planned in December
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### **EU Space Weather Awareness Dialogue**

- Brought together about 50 people
  - from across Europe, plus some US & WMO representatives
  - mix of scientists, industry and policy community
  - Including many from SWWT/ESWW community
- Reviewed space weather issues
  - Via panel presentations & discussions
  - Much focus on what is needed, rather than pure science
  - Good kick off at EU policy level
  - Now waiting to see how JRC will take forward