



H. E. Prof. Hany Helal
Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research
Cairo, Egypt

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Subject: The 6th International Conference of the African Association of Remote Sensing of the Environment (AARSE)


Dear His Excellency,


The African Association of Remote Sensing of the Environment (AARSE) in collaboration with The National Authority of Remote Sensing and Space Science (NARSS), Egypt organized the 6th conference of AARSE from 30th October to 2nd November 2006 in Cairo, Egypt. The theme of the conference was "Earth Observation and Geoinformation Sciences in Support of Africa's Development" with eleven (11) sub-themes on various aspects of Geoinformation Sciences and Earth Observation.

The conference with three (3) plenary sessions, thirty one (31) technical sessions and five (5) poster sessions was attended by four hundred (400) registered participants from thirty eight (38) countries of the World as well as eighteen (18) exhibitors and institutional organizations and development partners.

Following stimulating paper presentations and discussions, the conference came up with very important recommendations whose implementation will certainly accelerate Africa's development. As agreed upon at the conference, we have the pleasure to submit the recommendations entitled "Cairo Declaration" to your Excellency for consideration and endorsement.

Please accept your Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.


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