Authorship Guidelines for JECAM SAR Inter-Comparison Experiment (‘the Experiment’)

The JECAM SAR Inter-Comparison Experiment will result in various kinds of publications. The following guidelines are designed to clarify and give assistance when making the decision on who should be among the co-authors of a publication.

A. Co-authorship guidelines for publications led by direct participants in the Experiment.

i. If a partner has agreed to share their data with the other participants for the Inter-Comparison Activities, they will be offered participation and authorship on publications where data from their site are planned to be used.

A. Co-authorship will be offered for the Experiment Component for which data is provided (e.g. if only survey data are shared, co-authorship is only offered for those publications developed through Component 1. If LAI and Biomass data are shared then authorship will be offered for those publications developed through Component 2).

ii. The partners will be listed in alphabetical order after the few key authors (for example: if Argentina submits a publication that uses Canada’s, Germany’s and Taiwan’s datasets, Argentina will be listed first as the key author(s) with the other three partners’ co-authors subsequently listed in alphabetical order of personal name (i.e. not country).

B. Co-authorship guidelines for publications led by others using data from the Experiment other than the original Experiment Partners (after the end of the Experiment duration; see Data Sharing Policy):

i. Participation and co-authorship is offered for all future publications where data from a partner site is used.

ii. For publications that utilize the datasets that focus on -- and/or have a similar focus as the JECAM SAR Inter-Comparison Experiment -- two co-authors per site shall be included.

iii. For publications that utilize the datasets that do not have a focus on the JECAM SAR Inter-Comparison Experiment one co-author per site shall be included (nominally the JECAM Site Lead).

An author list will be developed and kept separately on the Experiment website: http://www.jecam.org/?/jecam-blog/sar-inter-comparison-experiment