



Comisión Nacional de Actividades Espaciales

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Dr. David Green
Committee on Earth Observation
Satellites (CEOS)
Chair, Working Group on Disasters
NASA

Dear Dr. Green,

I am pleased to inform you that CONAE fully endorses the candidacy of Dr. Laura Frulla as ViceChair of the CEOS Working Group on Disasters (WGDisasters) for a two-year term, beginning at the 2021 CEOS Plenary in November 2021, and followed by a two-year term as Chair of the Working Group in 2023. CONAE will support the WGDisasters secretariat functions that would be associated with Dr. Frulla upon her becoming the Chair in two years' time.

Promotion of the application of space information for disasters support is one of CONAE's key goals and we have worked in this field for many years both in the national as well as in the international framework, supporting different initiatives, such as the International Charter on Space and Major Disasters and the UNOOSA SPIDER Platform in the Latin American region, and is a Member of GEO. Although a relatively new member of the CEOS WGD, CONAE is a longstanding Member of CEOS and it would be an honour as well as an exciting challenge for us to be able to contribute to further the activities of the CEOS WGD.

It is our understanding that the nomination will be presented to CEOS Principals for decision at the 2021 CEOS Plenary. We thank you for your leadership of the WGDisasters, and reaffirm that we fully support Dr. Frulla as the nominee for WG Disasters ViceChair.

Sincerely yours,

Raúl Kufichevsky
CONAE CEOS Principal

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- Karen St. Germain (NASA), CEOS Chair
- Alex Held, (CSIRO), Adam Lewis (Geoscience Australia), CEOS SIT Co-Chairs,
- Marie-Claire Greening, CEOS Executive Officer.