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Dr.Karen M. St. Germain 2021 CEOS Chair Director, Earth Science Division Science Mission Directorate NASA Headquarters

Dear Dr. Karen M. St. Germain,

First of all, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to CEOS colleagues for the efforts to harmonize the civil space-based Earth Observation programs and to promote the data democracy among CEOS bodies for benefit of humankind. I recall that in the past GISTDA used to work closely and actively with CEOS and also served as CEOS Chair in 2009. Until now we still keep following the progress of CEOS activities in all aspects.

As CEOS is seeking for the nomination of 2023 CEOS Chair. We are very much enthusiastic about this matter. In this regard, we are positive that GISTDA is ready to work with SIT, CEO WGs, Members, and Associates to make sure that our common pathway will provide the success of CEOS missions. I would therefore like to nominate GISTDA to serve as the 2023 CEOS Chair. We shall reveal our leadership, willingness, and dedication toward CEOS for assuring a prosperous and sustainable future for humanity.

With above mentioned expression, I believe that GISTDA can be one of the best candidates for this position. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience. Thank you for taking your time and consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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