

# IGRGEA

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At the end of the IEEY, in 1995, IGRGEA (International Geophysical Research Group Europe Africa) has been organized to follow the research work initiated during IEEY. Since January 2003 IGRGEA is developing at the Institute of Geophysics in Hanoi.

## IVORY COAST

The ionospheric instruments at Korhogo having been removed for safety, are stopped until the site is secured again; they should be restarted when peace is obtained. Only the magnetometer is so far kept functioning.

Dr Olivier Obrou from Abidjan University is spending a nine month work at Goddard (NASA) with Prof. Dieter Bilitza thanks to a Fulbright grant. He is working on the modelization of the ionosphere (IRI model).

## NIGERIA

Dr Tunde Rabiou is visiting the National Institute of Research at Hyderabad for a Post Doc research course with Prof. Nandini Nagarajan. He is learning the management of a magnetic observatory.

## BURKINA FASO-BENIN-La REUNION

Dr Monique Petitdidier (CETP/CNRS France) has organized a working group on Gravity waves in the low and high atmosphere. This group associates scientists from Bénin (Dr Etienne Houngninou), from Burkina Faso (Dr Petronille Kafando) and from La Réunion (Dr Fabrice Chane-Ming). Dr Chane-Ming is the group coordinator.

## CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

Mr Tiburce Condomat has received a Master Diploma of the Abidjan University under the IGRGEA framework. He is now teaching Physics while preparing a Ph D at the Bangui University; he will study the magnetic transients in Africa (from the M'Bour and Bangui Observatories and from the IEEY variometer network) under the direction of Dr Christine Amory-Mazaudier.

## VIETNAM

Within the international framework of CAUSES (*Climate And Weather in the Sun-Earth System*), IGRGEA has proposed that the French CNRS administrate a Vietnam-France Cooperation. This interdisciplinary project covers three CNRS (domain) sections: SDU, for Sciences of the Universe; SHS, for Sciences of the Man and Society; STIC, on Sciences and Technologies of Information and Communication.

## SYMPOSIA

The Spanish scientists are organizing a workshop to celebrate the centenary of their Catalan Observatory de l'EBRE, to be held on September 28 September to October 1, 2004. It will deal about "*Challenges for Geomagnetism, Aeronomy and Seismology in the XXI st Century*".

Some IGRGEA members will participate, and present work and proposals toward future research.

**Starting from September 2004, the IGRGEA Newsletter will be circulated via Internet.**