

## **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>**