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**ASIA-PACIFIC ASTEROID OBSERVATION NETWORK**

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**ABSTRACT**

Observations of asteroids or NEOs (Near Earth Objects) are not so active in the Asia-Pacific region in comparison with in USA, in Europe, and in Russia. The Asia-Pacific region is located between USA and Europe, so observations in this region will contribute much to discover and follow-up asteroids / NEOs. Therefore, we proposed an asteroid observation network called APAON (Asia-Pacific Asteroid Observation Network) in APRSAF (Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum) held in Hanoi, Vietnam in 2013 and now about 15 organizations in Asia region have become the members of APAON. We have been discussing mainly about how to make the observation network, and now we would like to start actual observations. We do hope that APAON will be active and it can contribute to NEO issues.

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