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## Postpone the 9th COAA ICAOCC to 2023

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Dear COAA members and friends,

With regret we announce the **postponement of the 9<sup>th</sup> COAA International Conference on Atmosphere, Ocean, and Climate Change (ICAOCC) to next year**. The new date will be announced later this year.

As many of you have probably heard, NASA has recently considered the IAMES-COAA 2022 joint conference as a bilateral activity. To comply with NASA requirements, many of the conference conveners and organizing committee members who are employees of NASA have to withdraw their participation in the conference. We all need to follow recommendations of government agencies to minimize potential negative impacts to the COAA community. With this change and increasing uncertainty in the US-China politics, instead of pursuing a joint meeting with IAMES, the COAA ICAOCC organizing committee have concluded the most appropriate course of action is to postpone the date and host our conference independently — this was a difficult decision after being thoroughly considered several possible pathways. We will continue to work on the meeting plans, and we are confident we can convene next year.

In the meantime, **the 2<sup>nd</sup> IAMES Annual Conference will be held as planned unless further notice**. Most of the session topics will remain unchanged. Many COAA members will also stay as conveners of many sessions, although COAA will not be an official co-organizer for the conference. So, **we hope you can continue participating in the IAMES conference to support this event**. Meanwhile, we understand the potential impact by COAA's leave from the joint conference. So, please feel free to let us know (by sending an email to [ICAOCC@coaaweb.org](mailto:ICAOCC@coaaweb.org)) if you decide to withdraw your submitted abstracts. Also, please reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns.

The COAA ICAOCC organizing committee is sorry for any inconvenience caused by the postponement. We hope you all keep safe and stay strong during this uncertain time and look forward to seeing you in the 9<sup>th</sup>COAA ICAOCC in 2023.

Best regards,

Your COAA ICAOCC organizing committee

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