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THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE: A FIRST-HAND ACCOUNT

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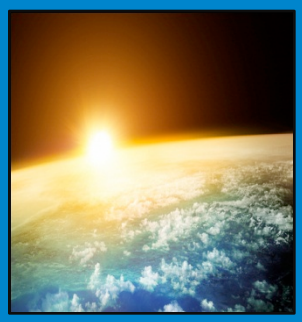

I will talk about my recent participation at the COP17 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Durban, South Africa. I will provide an overview of the social, economic and governance issues discussed, as well as those related to Earth science that could be supported through remote sensing and modeling capabilities. I will also discuss the outcome of the meeting and expectations for the future.

Dr. Erika Podest is a scientist with the Water and Carbon Cycles Group in JPL´s Earth Science Division. Her research focuses on using satellite remote sensing, particularly microwave sensors, to study wetland ecosystems and landscape freeze/thaw dynamics in the northern high latitudes, with the ultimate goal of assessing their impact on the global carbon and water cycles and climate change.

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