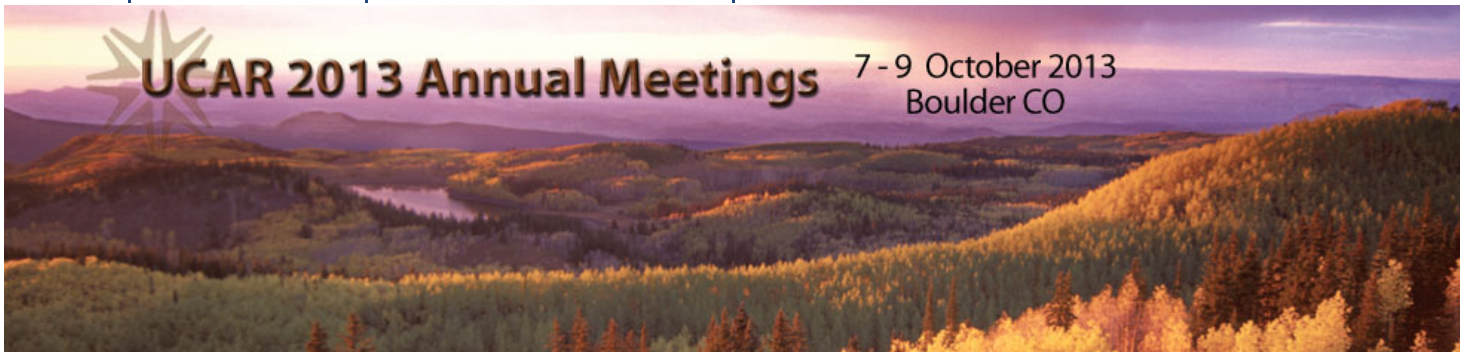


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## **BREAK-OUT GROUP REGISTRATION**

The following break-out groups have been organized for the afternoon Forum session on services and resources, Wednesday, October 9th.

Please select your first and second choices below.

- A. **New Partnerships. Please note: This session is currently full.** With Federal budgets flat or in decline, UCAR has embarked on a new approach to reach out to the private sector and foundations as sources for additional research funding for the community. UCAR has developed tools to help the community to engage with Congress, the private sector, OMB, as well as foundations. This session will address UCAR resources available to the community and how to engage with them in seeking, pursuing and closing on new funding opportunities.
- B. **Defining a Set of Simple Models for a University Branch of CESM. Please note: This session is currently full.** In recent years, climate model development under the CESM umbrella has largely been in the direction of increasing model complexity. While this strategy may suit some purposes (e.g. running simulations for the Coupled Model Intercomparison Project), it is often at odds with the research and teaching needs of most scientists working in a university setting. Many university colleagues working in atmosphere, ocean and climate science need simpler, not more complicated, models, for both teaching and research. Given this, the CESM project is very eager to involve university colleagues in helping to define a subset of simpler models that would be put together, documented and maintained to best serve the needs of the university community. The purpose of this breakout session is to solicit input from the UCAR members to help define what models a future "UNIVERSITY BRANCH" of CESM should comprise. Please come and bring your opinions: this is your chance to speak up and be heard.
- C. **Climate Services.** Climate services bring our climate science into the hands of those who need it for their own planning, often translating global and regional climate information into more 'local' decision-oriented products. UCAR and NCAR represent a world powerhouse when it comes to generating climate data, and UCAR is taking the lead to develop a climate services framework that can be used to support our entire community.
- In this session, we look at what UCAR Climate Services might look like. What does UCAR need to have to support its member institutions in this 'translation'? How do we engage our Member Institutions in a way that helps you? What capabilities do you need to deliver your science in this arena that UCAR can help with?
- D. **UConnect.** UConnect is a free and open collection of audience-focused & topic-driven digital resources accessible across all platforms & devices. It takes a novel playlist approach that is active, emergent, and responsive to the needs of UCAR's varied audiences. At the core of UConnect are short video segments featuring UCAR/NCAR scientists on specific climate, weather or earth science topics. By combining video segments with other assets (e.g., activities and lessons, webinars, discussion boards, tutorials, news, etc.), UConnect serves audiences ranging from the general public to K-12 teachers to faculty to news media.

How can UConnect support your work and "Broader Impacts" requirements for proposals? This session focuses on the power of UConnect to bring your science to a wider audience and to bring your voice to UConnect.

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