

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)
For GLIMS
(Global Land Ice Measurements from Space)
GLIMS REGIONAL CENTER FOR [fill in the blank region]
(itemize countries or mountain ranges here)

[Your institution here]

And

(GLIMS Steward -Personnel)

(Institutional Regional Center Chief)

The GLIMS Regional Center for [your region] was established at [your institution] by agreement with the GLIMS (Global Land Ice Measurements from Space) project, which then was led by the U. S. Geological Survey (USGS; now led from the University of Arizona) and has been funded in the U.S. by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). [Your regional center] was established for the express purpose of assessing glacier state and dynamics in [your region] using ASTER and other satellite imagery. [Other details here, if needed]

This MOU is established to facilitate further working assessments of snow and ice resources between [your region] and other individuals or agencies who may wish to access ASTER satellite imagery at no cost to themselves. Such imagery is available on a cost-free basis as long as the information on glaciers obtained from it is made available to [your region] and is not classified or made secret. ASTER imagery obtained by this agreement should not be distributed to other individuals or agencies not working in direct support of the GLIMS goals. Comparative assessments of [snow, ice, glacier lake hazards, climate, and hydrologic data-- OR OTHER DETAILS AS APPROPRIATE] will be shared between the interested parties in order to facilitate the mutual research efforts. Stewards [will digitize selected and mutually agreed-upon glaciers and glacier boundaries following GLIMS protocols for glacier information extraction-- OR OTHER DUTIES HERE, AS APPROPRIATE.] that will be subsequently submitted by [your regional center] to the National Snow and Ice Data Center (NSIDC) in the world-wide GLIMS Data Base at Boulder, CO, USA.

[Occasional joint publications will be expected between the parties. Research budgets will be kept separate, although joint research proposals to different agencies may be formulated. OR OTHER DETAILS HERE.]