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| BIPM | Bureau International des Poids et Mesures |
| CCDS | Consultative Committee for the Definition of the Second |
| CCIR | International Radio Consultative Committee |
| CODATA | Committee on Data for Science & Technology |
| COSPAR | Committee on Space Research |
| COSTED | Committee on Science & Technology in Developing Countries |
| CTS | Committee on the Teaching of Science |
| EPS | European Physical Society |
| ESA | European Space Agency |
| ESO | European Southern Observatory |
| FAGS | Federation of Astronomical & Geophysical Services |
| IAF | International Astronautical Federation |
| IAG | International Association of Geodesy |
| ICSU | International Council of Scientific Unions |
| IERS | International Earth Rotation Service |
| IRAS | Infrared Astronomy Satellite |
| IUCAF | Inter-Union Commission on Frequency Allocations for Radio Astronomy & Space Science |
| IUGG | International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics |
| IUPAP | International Union of Pure & Applied Physics |
| IUWDS | International Ursigram & World Day Service |
| NASA | National Aeronautics & Space Administration |
| NSF | National Science Foundation |
| OECD | Organisation of Economic Cooperation & Development |
| RAS | Radio Astronomy Service |
| RDSS | Radio-Determination Satellite Service |
| SCOPE | Scientific Committee on Problems of the Environment |
| SCOSTEP | Scientific Committee on Solar-Terrestrial Physics |
| UNESCO | United Nations Educational, Scientific & Cultural Organization |
| URSI | Union Radio Scientifique Internationale |
| WARC | World Administrative Radio Conference |