Draft GEOGLOWS/IGWCO CoP Business Meeting Agenda

May 16 to 19, 2017

(Draft as of May 12. This agenda may change before the meeting. All Webex and GOTOMeeting connections will be provided at the time of the meeting. All meetings will take place in the main auditorium unless otherwise noted)

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

08:45-10:45  Closed Meeting: Steering Committee meeting (Terms of Reference, expectations)

10:00 -10:30  General Registration and Coffee

10:30-12:30  Open Meeting: Background to GEOGLOWS and the potential social and economic benefits it could provide
Chair: Bradley Doorn
- Welcoming remarks from National Water Center (Edward Clark)
- Importance of water issues (Nagaraja Rao Harshadeep)
- The economic implications of climate change and water stress (Carlos Gustavo Cano)
- Overview presentation on GEOGLOWS (Angelica Gutierrez-Magness)
- Short Talks Interventions:
  o GEOGLOWS in the GEO context (Vanessa Aellen)
  o GEOGLOWS deliverables and IGWCO connections with GEOGLOWS (Rick Lawford)
  o USGEO and GEOGLOWS (Shelley Stover)
  o Discussion

12:30-13:45  Lunch

13:45-14:45  SC member panel on key GEOGLOWS issues
Chair: Vanessa Aellen
- Angelica Gutierrez-Magness
- Rose Alabaster
- Nagaraja Rao Harshadeep
- Faith Mitheu
- Selma Cherchali
- Carlos Gustavo Cano
- SC members on-line (WMO, ...)
- Discussion

14:45-15:30  Background briefings on USGEO agency contributions (identification of issues for GEOGLOWS implementation)
Chair: Selma Cherchali
- NASA (Bradley Doorn)
- NOAA (Angelica Gutierrez-Magness)
- EPA (Drew Pilant)
- USGS (Brian Pellerin)
- Discussion

15:30-15:50 Break

15:50-16:00 Introduction to the Working Group Breakouts (Rick Lawford)

16:00-17:15 GEOGLOWS Working Group meetings (Two larger groups will meet in the auditorium and the two smaller groups will meet in the Coosa and Talapoosa rooms)
Definition of the problems to be addressed in the short and long term by this Working Group.
The Working Group on Data has been asked by the Secretariat to pay special attention to the issue of “combination of different data products to meet specialized needs” as it is described in the GEOGLOWS initiative.

18:30-21:00 Dinner (BYO)

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

08:30-09:30 Briefings on activities at the National Water Center (plus possible call-ins)
Chair: Angelica Gutierrez-Magness
- Introduction to the National Water Center programs (Edward Clark)
- National Water Center Summer Innovation Program contributions to capacity building in the Americas (Jim Nelson)

09:30-10:30 Short reports from Working Groups on their preliminary deliberations

10:30-11:00 Break

11:00-12:30 Panel on GEOGLOWS funding, organization, and collaboration issues
Chair: Carlos Gustavo Cano
- Nagaraja Rao Harshadeep (World Bank)
- Bradley Doorn (NASA)
- Vanessa Aellen (GEO)
- Julia Lacal Bereslawski (La Plata Basin)
- Others?

12:30-13:45 Lunch

13:45-14:45 Briefings on GEO regional programs and water-related global initiatives
Chair: Faith Mitheu
- AmeriGEOSS (Cesar Garay)
- AfriGEOSS (Kamal Labbassi)
- AOGEOSS (Vanessa Aellen)
- GEOGLAM (Bradley Doorn)
- AquaWatch (Emily Smail)
- GEO Wetlands (Ian Harrison)

14:45-15:00 Break

15:00-16:30 Working Groups meet (Two larger groups will meet in the auditorium and the two smaller groups will meet in the Coosa and Talapoosa rooms)
Development of plans and deliverables for the 2017-2019 GEO Work Plan and outlook for 2020-2022

16:30-17:30 Plenary reports from the Working Groups
Chair: Angelica Gutierrez-Magness

19:00-21:00 Group Dinner (BYO)

Thursday, May 18, 2017

08:30-10:30 Briefings and demonstrations of information systems and updates on EWVs and Capacity Building
Chair: Rose Alabaster
- ESRI (Steve Kopp)
- GEO stakeholders and information systems (Hans-Peter Plag)
- AmeriGEOSS platform (Michelle Anthony)
- DEVELOP (Dashiell Cruz)
- SERVIR (Faith Mitheu)
- Measuring water levels from space (Selma Cherchali)
- GSFC GEOGLOWS activities (John Bolten)
- Precipitation as an EWV (George Huffman)

10:30-10:50 Break

10:50-12:00 Panel on GEOGLOWS and its connections with policy Initiatives
Chair: Nagaraja Rao Harshadeep
- Water and human rights (Rose Alabaster)
- Global change (Bradley Doorn)
- Sustainable Development Goals (Sushel Unninayar)
- Water-Energy-Food Nexus (Richard Lawford)
- Sustainable water future: water assessments (Balazs Fekete)
- Discussion

12:00-12:30 General plenary discussion on:
- Communicating GEOGLOWS and related issues
- Recommendations to address issues raised during the meeting

12:30-13:45 Lunch
Plenary discussion and meeting wrap-up with recommendations to the Steering Committee on the way forward

Coffee break

Closed session: GEOGLOWS Steering Committee

Tour of the building for participants who are not part of the Steering Committee

Friday, May 19, 2017
13th IGWCO CoP Annual Meeting

This meeting is not intended to duplicate information presented in the GEOGLOWS meeting. The IGWCO COP Activity Review and planning meeting (Water GEO activities; contributions to GEOGLOWS activities; plans for GTN-H; follow-up the GEOSS Water Strategy, etc.)

08:30-10:30 Past Actions
1. Review of activities since the last meeting in Koblenz (Rick Lawford)
2. Updates on GEO Water projects other than GEOGLOWS or GEOGLOWS reports
   - Drought (TBC)
   - GEOCRI (Vanessa Aellen)
   - Earth observations and the W-E-F Nexus (Balazs Fekete, Rick Lawford)
   - Wetlands (Ian Harrison)
   - IPWG (George Huffman)
   - AmeriGEOSS Water (Angelica Gutierrez-Magness)
   - AfriGEOSS Water studies (Kamal Labbassi)
   - NextGEOSS (TBC)
3. Role of IGWCO within GEOGLOWS (Bradley Doorn, Angelica Gutierrez-Magness, general discussion)
4. GEOSS Water Strategy actions (Rick Lawford)

10:30-10:50 Break

10:50-13:00 Planning for the Future
1. Possible new initiatives:
   - Extremes (Sushel Unninayar)
   - EWVs (Vanessa Aellen)
2. CEOS Water activities (beyond WSIST) (Selma Cherchali)
3. General GEO activities and potential IGWCO CoP contributions (Vanessa Aellen)
4. Opportunities and strategies for reaching out to water groups beyond GEO (Rick Lawford)
5. Possible changes in our modus operandi (General discussion)
6. Setting an agenda for IGWCO for 2017 and beyond (General discussion)
7. Summary