

***Reports from OOPC  
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**GCOS SC**

**GOOS SC**

**WCRP JSC**

# GCOS SC

- Focus remains on development of Implementation Plan for Second Adequacy Report
- Draft is on the GCOS web site. Comments due by July 5
- Ocean Next Steps are not an ideal 'fit' in the structure preferred for the TOPC and AOPC recommendations. There is pressure to select 'priority' elements. Have explained that Next Steps are the result of a decade of reviews and priority-setting. Comments are needed in support of entire package as the appropriate ocean priority
- Executive Summary is not yet drafted.

# GCOS SC

- Strong support for our ‘cross-cutting’ issues – satellites to climate quality, data sharing and standards, climate analysis and reanalysis, engagement with research community
- IP identifies institutional issues for sustaining observing activities.

# ***GCOS SC***

- SBSTA has requested update on status of implementation of ocean “Next Steps” at its next meeting (end of 2004)
- Request has been made to IOC to request member states report their progress on implementation
- National reporting of climate observing activities is not routine at present.

# ***Comments to GCOS on 2AR IP***

- Will be simplest if we respond to the call for comments as individuals
- If there are some strongly held views that should be expressed as a Panel comment, we should identify these
- Overarching issue is whether the IP fosters our ability to move forward with Next Step implementation at whatever rate permitted by national interests

# ***GCOS Donor Fund***

- It often is difficult for smaller nations to participate in data collection for the GCOS networks
- Sometimes participation hinges primarily on access to consumables
- GCOS has had some initial success obtaining developed nation support to assist with a few radiosonde stations in the GUAN
- The donor process could provide support for, eg installation and geolocation of modern tide gauges in critically undersampled parts of the global coastline, or to maintain a pool of XBTs. NOAA's Office of Global Programs could host an ocean donor fund.

# ***AOPC-10***

- Continued strong support for ocean surface components of “Next Steps” – VOSCLim, Time Series Reference Sites, Surface Drifters, Vector Wind & SST satellite missions.
- SLP WG is focusing on reconstructions. There is still need for improvement of Real Time operational products
- SST/Sea Ice WG efforts strongly supported
- WCRP surface flux group success is important



# ***GOOS SC***

- Continued support for “Next Steps”.
- GCOS SC has recommended that the I-GOOS give priority to implementation via national efforts
- IOC Exec Council will be asked to solicit member nation implementation progress information
- Importance of participation in GEO IP emphasized

# ***GOOS SC***

- Continuing interest in joint OOPC-COOP projects to demonstrate importance of global context on interpretation of local anomalies
- GOOS Regional Associations have been formed in many coastal regions
- National data sharing remains incomplete



# ***JCOMM-MAN3***

- Joint Commission on Oceanography and Marine Meteorology, management committee meeting #3
- Progress noted in monitoring the status of global observing efforts. Will facilitate Obs Coordination Group efforts. Removes this responsibility from OOPC.
- Desire for more guidance on ocean climate products for the Products & Services Program Area

# JCOMM MAN-3

- VOS metadata concerns (WMO Pub 47) were raised again; we are told the situation is being addressed
- Engage with expert team on Sea Ice for ocean climate analysis? (ETSI)
- JCOMM-2 will take place in 2005. Draft agenda is under construction
- Resourcing for the wide range of JCOMM activities needs development