**DECISIONS AND ACTIONS OF CEOS SIT TECHNICAL WORKSHOP 2020**

**7th-11th and 14th-18th September 2020**

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| **Decision 01** | CEOS Chair will ask for agency reports to be submitted for Plenary, to be posted online (no oral reports). |
| **Decision 02** | Presentation of the CEOS Chair 2021 Priorities to be included in the CEOS Plenary Agenda. |
| **Decision 03** | There should be a report to CEOS Plenary on the COVID discussion at the Technical Workshop. |
| **Decision 04** | CEOS COAST will ask Plenary for approval to be recognized/proceed as a *CEOS Ad Hoc Team* for 2-years. Will include a call for Agency expressions of interest/support for Phase 2 (2021) activities (including a co-Chair for the AHT). |
| **Decision 05** | JAXA asked to join the CEOS COAST team (Ko Hamamoto and Osamu Ochiai), and AEM (Guzman) and USGS (Stryker) projects might support COAST. |
| **Decision 06** | Two options for the way forward on SDGs should be presented to Plenary (either continue or stop), with a recommendation to adopt option 1 (renewal of the SDG AHT for another year including a Roadmap for its transition into a permanent structure starting at the end of 2021). |
| **Decision 07** | Plenary (Principals) should be asked to consider supporting a small team to review the ARD framework and consider making it amenable to additional PFS for domains beyond land. |
| **Decision 08** | Three WGDisasters documents will be presented to Plenary for endorsement: CEOS WGDisasters Strategy at Plenary; Recovery Observatory Demonstrator Implementation Plan; and, the GEO-LEO-SAR Flood Pilot Implementation Plan. |
| **Decision 09** | CEOS could position COVERAGE as a cumulative contribution to Decade on Ocean Science, and CEOS Plenary should discuss ways to make this possible (e.g. via programmatic connectivity to GOOS). |
| **Decision 10** | A way forward on the CEO continuity was agreed, with some minor changes to be made to the draft Terms of Reference, and then have those Terms of Reference circulated for virtual endorsement in time to support Plenary participation by the incoming candidate. |
| **Decision 11** | WGClimate will interface to UNFCCC SEC to nominate David Crisp (NASA), Osamu Ochiai (JAXA), and Jörg Schulz (EUMETSAT) as the CEOS focal points for the ad-hoc group on systematic observations in support of the Global Stocktake process |

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| **SIT-TW-2020-01** | SEO to keep CEOS SEC updated on progress on the new GEO Community Activity on the Open Earth Alliance as an evolution of the Open Data Cube activity in which CEOS has been participating. | **CEOS SEC-270** |
| *Rationale: Provide an opportunity for CEOS SEC to hear an update on the potential scope of CEOS engagement with GEO’s Community Activity Open Earth Alliance.* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-02** | JAXA (Shin-ich Sobue), ESA (Simonetta Cheli), NASA (Michael Falkowski) to coordinate a report on the Technical Workshop COVID session to Plenary. This should include inputs from all agencies presenting at TW, as well as a list to COVID-relevant weblinks from CEOS Agencies. | **CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: Provide Agencies and Principles with a snapshot of the discussion to date as background for a Plenary discussion session on COVID and EO.* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-03** | CEOS COAST Team to seek a co-Lead for the Ad Hoc Team to be proposed at Plenary. | **CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: A COAST Co-Lead will help share the workload and bring new capabilities. (ISRO has agreed in principle to Co-Lead.)* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-04** | Paul DiGiacomo (NOAA) to develop a high level draft Terms of Reference for a CEOS-COAST Ad Hoc Team ahead of Plenary | **CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: While not required, draft TORs may support delegation preparations for Plenary. Requirement is, “Within two months of creation, the Ad Hoc Team will prepare defined objectives and appropriate path forward for meeting those objectives to include identifying needed resources.”* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-05** | When requesting its renewal, CEOS SDG-AHT should submit a Roadmap for next year, highlighting its transition plan as well as unique CEOS role in supporting GEO. | **CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: Principals need to better understand how another year will make an impact for CEOS role in the SDG process* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-06** | SIT Chair to work with Ed Armstrong on a proposal to Plenary for Principals to support a small team to review the ARD framework and consider making it amenable to additional PFS for other domains. | **CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: To come to Plenary ready to propose a small study team to look at broadening the ARD framework, with a final report and close at Plenary 2021. (COVERAGE, AC-VC (Diego Loyola), LSI-VC, COAST expressed willingness to contribute.)* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-07** | DLR to provide a nominee to represent the agency on the AFOLU Roadmap Team. | **CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: DLR has relevant missions and data to support the AFOLU Roadmap.* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-08** | AFOLU Roadmap Co-Leads to review the Land chapters of the GCOS IP to assess any impacts on AFOLU Roadmap requirements. | **CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: GCOS IP may hold some useful requirements for the AFOLU Roadmap.* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-09** | WGClimate Chair to confirm details with UNFCCC SEC of the Virtual Earth Information Day in late November. | **CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: Await news from UNFCCC SEC on how we can engage.* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-10** | SIT Chair Team to interface with GEO Secretariat on ideas around collaboration and funding for the Forest Biomass Reference Network concept. | **CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: Diverse funding solutions will be essential for this to be viable.* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-11** | CEOS Agencies are requested to organise submission of use cases for climate data records via https://climatemonitoring.info/use-cases | **CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: To ensure that CEOS Agency use cases are reflected.* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-12** | CEO to liaise with the GEO Secretariat to identify and reflect the full extent of CEOS support to activities of the GEO Work Programme. | **CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: It was noted that CEOS references in the GWP had declined of late* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-13** | SIT Chair Team and WGISS Chair to organise a meeting (call) with GEO Secretariat (POC: Doug Cripe) on feedback around access to CEOS ARD and commercial cloud service providers. | **Before CEOS Plenary** |
| *Rationale: To follow up the feedback solicited by GEO Secretariat.* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-14** | Kerry Sawyer (CEO) to draft an email for CEOS Chair to send requesting virtual endorsement of the updated CEO Terms of Reference by 28th September. | **Draft Email to ISRO ASAP** |
| *Rationale: Virtual endorsement of the updated CEO ToR will allow Plenary participation by the incoming candidate.* | |
| **SIT-TW-2020-15** | CEOS Chair to coordinate the virtual endorsement of the updated CEOS Terms of Reference based on support provided by Kerry Sawyer (CEO). | **ASAP** |
| *Rationale: Aiming to complete virtual endorsement to allow Plenary participation by the incoming candidate.* | |