

## APPENDIX B: Actions Record

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| <b>CEOS-39-01</b> | <p>CEOS Chair and SIT Chair teams will work with the Executive Officer team to ensure that representatives of the new Member and Associate agencies welcomed into CEOS are connected with the leads of relevant CEOS Working Groups, Virtual Constellations, and other entities, and included on the appropriate communication channels.</p> <p><i>Notes: These agencies identified interest in contributing to various CEOS activities in their respective nomination letters and presentations at the 2025 CEOS Plenary.</i></p>                                                                          | <b>November 2025</b>     |
| <b>CEOS-39-02</b> | <p>CEOS Chair will shepherd the CEOS Decision Types document to completion and potential presentation for endorsement as an addition to the permanent CEOS Governance and Processes document at the 2026 CEOS Plenary.</p> <p><i>Notes: The incoming SIT Chair and CEOS Chair will test the definitions in their construction of meeting agendas throughout 2026 and engage the CEOS Secretariat, CEOS Systems Engineering Office, and Executive Officer in the process of refining the definitions. An updated draft will be submitted for SIT-41.</i></p>                                                 | <b>CEOS Plenary 2026</b> |
| <b>CEOS-39-03</b> | <p>CEOS Agencies are encouraged to <a href="#">submit</a> contributions to the CEOS Youth Hub (<a href="https://ceos.org/youth">ceos.org/youth</a>).</p> <p><i>Notes: The UKSA 2025 CEOS Chair Team has created the CEOS Youth Hub as a place to collate high-quality educational material designed to spark curiosity and foster understanding of our planet through satellite Earth observation. The 2025 CEOS Chair team invites interested CEOS Members and Associates to submit relevant educational materials, initiatives, or outreach activities from all CEOS agencies and their partners.</i></p> | <b>SIT-41</b>            |
| <b>CEOS-39-04</b> | <p>CEOS Agencies to consider nominations for WGCapD Vice Chair for 2027-2028.</p> <p><i>Notes: Nominations are invited from CEOS Agencies that already actively contribute to and are familiar with the cross-cutting work of WGCapD. The nomination process must first occur within WGCapD, which will then put forward one nominee for endorsement by the 2026 CEOS Plenary.</i></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>CEOS Plenary 2026</b> |

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|                   | <i>Nominations should be sent to current WGCapD Chair Dan Matsapola of SANSA &lt;dmatsapola@sansa.org.za&gt;</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                    |
| <b>CEOS-39-05</b> | <p>SIT Chair to ensure a CEOS Chair-led Plenary session features on the agenda for SIT-41 so that the new WGClimate Terms of Reference can be discussed and potentially endorsed.</p> <p><i>Notes: CEOS governance documents have a provision for a Plenary session to be organised within SIT meetings. The CEOS Chair as overseer of the Working Groups will convene the session. The session should cover the cross-linkages between WGClimate work and that of other CEOS groups.</i></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <p><b>CLOSED</b></p> <p><i>WGClimate has since decided to postpone the update of their Terms of Reference.</i></p> |
| <b>CEOS-39-06</b> | <p>CEOS Agencies operating SAR calibration infrastructure are asked to review the <a href="#">SARCalNet database</a> and submit site information via <a href="mailto:info@sarcalnet.org">info@sarcalnet.org</a>.</p> <p><i>Notes: To promote standardised SAR calibration and facilitate the harmonised implementation of cal/val tasks by a broad SAR community, it is crucial to have a network of curated calibration sites for SAR as well as established cal/val procedures.</i></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>WGCV-56</b>                                                                                                     |
| <b>CEOS-39-07</b> | <p>CEOS Agencies are invited to review the <a href="#">WGCV Land Product Validation (LPV) Subgroup Land Cover and Change Map Accuracy Assessment and Area Estimation Good Practices Protocol</a> ahead of its presentation for potential endorsement at SIT-41 (April 2026). Feedback should be sent to WGCV LPV Subgroup Chair Fabrizio Niro &lt;fabrizio.niro@esa.int&gt;.</p> <p><i>Notes: The document has already been endorsed by the Working Group on Calibration and Validation (WGCV) and its Land Product Validation (LPV) Subgroup. However, consistent with past practice (e.g., the Aboveground Woody Biomass Product Validation Good Practices Protocol at SIT-36) the WGCV team sees value in a Principal-level endorsement.</i></p> | <b>SIT-41</b>                                                                                                      |
| <b>CEOS-39-08</b> | <p>CEOS Agencies are requested to identify points of contact for contributions to the <a href="#">CEOS Product Validation Platform</a> (PVP) to Samantha Malone at the U.K. National Physical Laboratory &lt;<a href="mailto:Samantha.Malone@npl.co.uk">Samantha.Malone@npl.co.uk</a>&gt;.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>WGCV-56</b>                                                                                                     |

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|            | <p><i><u>Notes:</u> The CEOS Product Validation Platform will allow satellite data providers, CEOS agencies and others, to assess the quality of their data in a consistent manner through comparison with community agreed references.</i></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |               |
| CEOS-39-09 | <p>CEOS Agencies are asked to review the database of controlled release experiments on the CEOS GHG Portal. GHG mission managers and other relevant individuals are asked to sign up to controlled release notifications by sending an email to: controlled-release-database+subscribe@googlegroups.com and to submit details of controlled release experiments here: <a href="https://airtable.com/apphCiY4iwGxjHS4A/pagIzCSssHxohyhMx/form">https://airtable.com/apphCiY4iwGxjHS4A/pagIzCSssHxohyhMx/form</a>.</p> <p><i><u>Notes:</u> With the objective of maximising the value of controlled release experiments, CEOS agencies are asked to: 1) share details of controlled release experiments and 2) sign up to receive notifications of others' events.</i></p> | SIT-41        |
| CEOS-39-10 | <p>The CEOS/CGMS Working Group on Climate (WGClimate) is tasked with developing a proposal for continuity of the UNFCCC Tiger Team activities at the WGClimate-24 meeting (9-13 February 2026, hosted by ESA in Harwell, UK). The proposal will subsequently be presented at SIT-41 (April 2026).</p> <p><i><u>Notes:</u> The activities of the Tiger Team have been part of the core functions of WGClimate. It was suggested that an annual plan of engagement with UNFCCC be developed and maintained. On top of the already existing tasks and activities, the plan should foresee preparation of common talking points for sharing with country delegates ahead of COP.</i></p>                                                                                     | SIT-41        |
| CEOS-39-11 | <p>The CEOS Chair will circulate the GCOS presentation from the 2025 CEOS Plenary to CEOS agencies to draw attention to the GCOS funding challenges and to encourage interested agencies to get in touch directly with GCOS leadership.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | November 2025 |

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| CEOS-39-12 | <p>The Biodiversity Study Team will develop a Full Proposal and final Implementation Plan for the Biodiversity Virtual Constellation for consideration at SIT-41 (April 2026).</p> <p><i>Notes: As directed in the <a href="#">Virtual Constellations Process Paper</a>.</i></p>                                                                                                               | SIT-41            |
| CEOS-39-13 | <p>CEOS Principals are asked to consider where their capabilities align with the objectives and activities of a potential Biodiversity Virtual Constellation and assess possible nominations to the team.</p> <p><i>Notes: As a broad and cross-cutting topic, agencies are encouraged to consider connections with the activities of other Virtual Constellations and Working Groups.</i></p> | SIT-41            |
| CEOS-39-14 | <p>Lóránt Czárán will share information on the EO Booklet for SDGs being developed under UNOOSA with the Executive Officer and CEOS Chair Team.</p> <p><i>Notes: CEOS input to the booklet is welcomed, and the Executive Officer will ensure the opportunity is shared with the SDG Coordination Group.</i></p>                                                                               | November 2025     |
| CEOS-39-15 | <p>The CEOS Analysis Ready Data (CEOS-ARD) Oversight Group will develop the 2026 CEOS-ARD Strategy for presentation to the 2026 CEOS Plenary.</p> <p><i>Notes: The Strategy will define the actions, resources, and commitments required to deliver the next level of ambition for CEOS-ARD.</i></p>                                                                                           | 2026 CEOS Plenary |
| CEOS-39-16 | <p>CEOS Principals are asked to consider nominations of agency experts to the CEOS-ARD Strategy 2026 writing team, with particular consideration to the 'CEOS Dependencies' noted in the supplied <a href="#">Consultation Paper and Concept Note</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                     | December 2025     |
| CEOS-39-17 | <p>CEOS Agencies are asked to identify their national organisations within ISO and inform CEOS-ARD Oversight Group of any willingness to convey priorities to inform formal voting procedures.</p> <p><i>Notes: Maintaining awareness and leadership of CEOS-ARD progress in global standards bodies (e.g. ISO, OGC) requires</i></p>                                                          | December 2025     |

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|            | <i>increased coordination between CEOS agencies and national standards bodies to influence national representation and voting results.</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                             |
| CEOS-39-18 | Ocean Surface Topography Virtual Constellation (OST-VC) Co-Leads will work with the CEOS Secretariat to ensure the <i>White Paper on a Coordinated International Satellite Altimetry Virtual Constellation</i> is appropriately formatted and contextualised prior to its publication on <a href="https://ceos.org/observations">ceos.org/observations</a> and <a href="https://ceos.org/publications-key-documents/">ceos.org/publications-key-documents/</a> .                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Follow up at SEC-343</b> |
| CEOS-39-19 | Individuals interested in contributing to the definition of CEOS GitHub Governance are encouraged to contact David Borges <david.borges@nasa.gov>.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>November 2025</b>        |
| CEOS-39-20 | CEOS Agencies, Working Groups, Virtual Constellations, and other teams are invited to review the proposed target audiences and 2026 campaigns, to be included in the 2026-2027 CEOS Communications Strategy. Feedback should be sent to Libby Rose <libby@symbioscomms.com> and David Borges <david.borges@nasa.gov>.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>December 2025</b>        |
| CEOS-39-21 | CEOS Agencies are asked to nominate additional points of contact to contribute to the stocktake of the first five Essential Agriculture Variables (EAVs) being undertaken in the LSI-VC GEOGLAM Subgroup.<br><br><i>Notes: The LSI-GEOGLAM team is aware that there are many more efforts already undertaken by CEOS agencies related to observations and EAV development that should be included in the stocktake. Additional CEOS agencies need to be involved in the LSI-GEOGLAM Subgroup. The CEOS MIM Database and LSI-GEOGLAM team will scope an agriculture portal to present findings of the stocktake.</i> | <b>November 2025</b>        |
| CEOS-39-22 | CEOS Agencies are asked to identify contributors to the NASA SIT Chair priorities. Please reach out to the SIT Chair team: <a href="mailto:nasa-sit-chair-2026-27@googlegroups.com">nasa-sit-chair-2026-27@googlegroups.com</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>SIT-41</b>               |
| CEOS-39-23 | CEOS Agencies to consider nominations for the role of CEOS Chair for 2028.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>2026 CEOS Plenary</b>    |

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| CEOS-39-24 | <p>CEOS Agencies are asked to identify contributions to the CEOS Chair-led effort to develop Adaptation and Resilience Information Products. Information is to be provided to the Co-Leads Alex Held (CSIRO) and Mark Dowell (EC) via the activity secretariat <a href="mailto:team@symbios.space">team@symbios.space</a>.</p> <p><i>Notes: Contributions may be in the form of case studies, identification of other resources (such as code, online tools or articles), or referrals to other contacts, initiatives, or sources of information.</i></p> | <p><b>14 December 2025</b></p> |
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## APPENDIX C: Decisions Record

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| Decision 39-01 | CEOS Plenary endorsed and welcomed the African Space Agency (AfSA) as a CEOS Associate.                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Decision 39-02 | CEOS Plenary endorsed and welcomed the Hellenic Space Center (HSC) as a CEOS Associate.                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Decision 39-03 | CEOS Plenary endorsed and welcomed the Philippine Space Agency (PhilSA) as a CEOS Member.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Decision 39-04 | CEOS Plenary acknowledged the prolongation of the WGCapD Chair term of Dan Matsapola (SANSA) for an additional year (2026) and endorsed the nomination of Christoph Aubrecht (ESA) as WGCapD Vice Chair for 2026, followed by WGCapD Chair for 2027-2028.                       |
| Decision 39-05 | CEOS Plenary endorsed the nomination of Antonio Montuori (ASI) as WGDIsasters Vice Chair 2026-2027, followed by WGDIsasters Chair for 2028-2029.                                                                                                                                |
| Decision 39-06 | CEOS Plenary endorsed the <a href="#">Interoperability Handbook v2.0</a> developed by WGISS.                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Decision 39-07 | CEOS Plenary endorsed the nomination of Damiano Guerrucci (ESA) as WGISS Vice Chair 2026-2027, followed by WGISS Chair for 2028-2029.                                                                                                                                           |
| Decision 39-08 | CEOS Plenary acknowledged that the Biodiversity Study Team has fulfilled its originally assigned tasks, agreed with the initial proposal for a Biodiversity Virtual Constellation, and to proceed with development of a Full Proposal for consideration at SIT-41 (April 2026). |
| Decision 39-09 | CEOS Plenary extended the term of the Biodiversity Study Team through to SIT-41 in order to complete the Full Proposal and develop inputs for the CEOS Work Plan.                                                                                                               |

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| Decision 39-10 | CEOS Plenary approved the development of the 2026 CEOS-ARD Strategy.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Decision 39-11 | The 2025 CEOS Plenary acknowledged the <i>White Paper on a Coordinated International Satellite Altimetry Virtual Constellation</i> prepared by Ocean Surface Topography Virtual Constellation (OST-VC), thanking members for their effort. Plenary agreed to the closure of the associated CEOS Work Plan Deliverable.                     |
| Decision 39-12 | The 2025 CEOS Plenary thanked the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) for its leadership and contributions as SIT Chair during the last two years and welcomed the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) as SIT Chair for the two-year term of 2026 and 2027.                                                         |
| Decision 39-13 | CEOS Plenary endorsed the nomination of the Norwegian Space Agency (NOSA) to be 2027 CEOS Chair.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Decision 39-14 | The 2025 CEOS Plenary thanked the U.K. Space Agency for its leadership and contributions as 2025 CEOS Chair and welcomed the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) as 2026 CEOS Chair, formally recognising the broader Chair Team including Geoscience Australia (GA) and the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM). |