**2016 CEOS SIT Technical Workshop Actions**

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| **SITWS-2016-01** | CEOS Agencies | CEOS Agencies to provide the USGS CEOS Chair Team with comments on the Proposed 2017 CEOS Chair Initiatives paper | 30 September 2016 |
| *Rationale: USGS CEOS Chair team hopes to finalise their initiatives paper in early October to allow for circulation well before CEOS Plenary.* |
| **SITWS-2016-02** | SIT Chair | SIT Chair to perform a brief audit of CEOS activities linked to development banks (e.g. World Bank, regional development banks) and UN agencies, including an exchange of experience between on their own activities, to help facilitate cross CEOS coordination | SIT-32 |
| *Rationale: It was agreed that it would be useful to understand all of the points of interaction that CEOS has with development banks and UN agencies as a first step towards better coordination.* |
| **SITWS-2016-03** | All CEOS Information Systems stakeholders | All CEOS stakeholders invited to respond to the CEOS Information Systems Survey in support of future improvements <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ceos-info-systems>. This should include users of the EO Handbook, CEOS Database, COVE, and the CEOS Data Policy Portal | October 2016 |
| *Rationale: The survey team is seeking a broad response from across the community, and would like all stakeholders to respond.* |
| **SITWS-2016-04** | Ivan Petiteville | Ivan to work with GEO Secretariat to seek inputs to the CEOS Information Systems Survey from their user community, and to improve the representativeness of the response | **COMPLETE**GEOSEC has posted on their website and also via social media |
| *Rationale: The survey team would like to ensure the user community perspective is reflected in the response, and would like to enlist GEO’s support to reach out.* |
| **SITTWS-2016-05** | USGS and ESA | USGS and ESA (as SDCG co-Chair agencies) to circulate a call for CEOS Agencies to consider options to support the operations of the SDCG with current resources for secretarial support about to lapse | 30th CEOS Plenary |
| *Rationale: The secretariat of the SDCG is currently supported by the Australian government as a part of its contribution as GFOI Co-Lead. However, this support is ending at the end of 2016, after which SDCG will be without secretariat support.* |
| **SITTWS-2016-06** | WSIST Feasibility Study Team | WSIST Feasibility Study Team to present the final water constellation Feasibility Study results | 30th CEOS Plenary |
| *Rationale: The feasibly study is nearing completion, and needs to be concluded to address CEOS Water Strategy action C1 and to progress the broader CEOS efforts on the coordination of water observations.* |
| **SITTWS-2016-07** | WSIST Feasibility Study Team | WSIST Feasibility Study Team to present the report on the hyperspectral water quality satellite mission study | 30th CEOS Plenary |
| *Rationale: This study addresses CEOS Water Strategy action C10, and is expected to be concluded in time to present at SIT-32.* |
| **SITTWS-2016-08** | CSIRO | CSIRO to coordinate a small team to review the GEO Work Programme contents in relation to the SDGs. The team should confirm that where the Programme references space agency contributions, they are properly reflected. The team should also look at the SDGs themselves, to ensure they are properly referenced. Volunteers for the team include Marc Paganini (ESA), Kerry Sawyer (NOAA), Jonathon Ross (GA), Eric Wood (USGS), Flora Kerblat (CSIRO), Chu Ishida (JAXA), and Ivan Petiteville (ESA). | 30th CEOS Plenary |
| *Rationale: It was agreed in discussion that CEOS should review the GEO Work Programme references to space agency contributions, and references to the SDGs between the SIT Technical Workshop and CEOS Plenary to ensure the contributions and references are correctly reflected. This review will be a part of the background for deciding at Plenary the way forward for CEOS support.* |
| **SITWS-2016-09** | SIT Chair | SIT Chair to communicate the recommendations from the SST-VC gap analysis on Passive Microwave Radiometers (PMW) to CEOS Plenary | 30th CEOS Plenary |
| *Rationale: It was agreed that SIT Chair should communicate the recommendations of the SST gap analysis study during the SIT Chair report to CEOS Plenary.* |
| **SITWS-2016-10** | Stephen Briggs | Stephen Briggs to communicate the discussion on polar sea ice observations to PSTG, noting that the SIT TWS considered the question and if the PSTG considers it to be of value, they should submit a proposal per the VC process for CEOS consideration | September 2016 |
| *Rationale: CEOS would be willing to entertain a community-led proposal for a new VC, but given the existence of the PSTG, this does not appear to be the highest priority at present. It was suggested that the PSTG could be asked to increase emphasis on passive microwave observations of polar sea ice in order to address that coordination gap.* |
| **SITWS-2016-11** | Mark Dowell | Mark Dowell to present the way forward for CEOS on the coordination of Carbon observations, indicating a focus for the short-term on the 5-7 VC/WG initiatives presented at the SIT Technical Workshop | 30th CEOS Plenary |
| *Rationale: The workshop reviewed the various VC/WG initiatives underway in support of the coordination of carbon observations, and it was agreed that these should be presented to CEOS Plenary as the way forward.* |
| **SITWS-2016-12** | Stephen Briggs and Ken Holmlund | Stephen Briggs and Ken Holmlund to communicate the outcomes of the discussion on CEOS-CGMS coordination on Atmospheric CO2 Observations from Space. | September 2016 |
| *Rationale: It was agreed that the AC-VC should be the basis for the CEOS response, with a formal and open invitation for participation extended to interested additional CGMS participants, and it should be pursued in conjunction with the climate workshop 2017.* |
| **SITWS-2016-13** | WGClimate | WGClimate to coordinate the preparation and review of a SBSTA-45 statement for COP22 | 30th CEOS Plenary |
| *Rationale: It was agreed that while a full report to SBSTA would only be made every other year, as invited by SBSTA, the CEOS-CGMS WGClimate would prepare a statement to be made to SBSTA-45 in conjunction with COP22.* |
| **SITWS-2016-14** | CEOS Agencies | CEOS Agencies to consider nominating representatives to staff the CEOS booth at the STEMx event, which will be held the day after the CEOS Plenary and/or provide high-level CEOS-related materials for the booth (slides, videos, etc.). | 30th CEOS Plenary |
| *Rationale: CEOS Chair has organised an outreach event for the Thursday following CEOS Plenary (3rd November), and agency contributions are welcome.* |
| **SITWS-2016-15** | CEOS Agencies | CEOS Agencies to consider nominating staff for the CEO and/or DCEO role in future | 30th CEOS Plenary |
| *Rationale: The terms of the current CEO and DCEO are ending at the 31st CEOS Plenary (2017).* |
| **SITWS-2016-16** | Ocean VCs and interested WGs | Ocean VCs, and interested Working Groups, to formally review the COVERAGE initiative proposal paper and identify a consensus way forward for a collaborative CEOS Ocean Initiative | SIT-32 |
| *Rationale: If COVERAGE is to be adopted as a CEOS initiative, additional agency buy-in will be required.* |
| **SITWS-2016-17** | Vardis Tsontos, Jorge Vazquez, and Paul DiGiacomo | Vardis Tsontos, Jorge Vazquez, and Paul DiGiacomo to organise telecon(s) with the Oceans VCs in preparation for SIT-32 to discuss and coordinate the way forward on the COVERAGE proposal relative to the GEO Blue Planet Initiative, presenting an updated version of COVERAGE for consideration as a formal CEOS initiative and contribution to GEO/Blue Planet at the SIT-32 meeting | SIT-32 |
| *Rationale: It was agreed that if the COVERAGE proposal is to move forward, it will need to be coordinated with both the existing Oceans VCs as well as with CEOS support to Blue Planet.* |