

# **SIT-23 Wrap Up and SIT Way Forward to November Plenary**

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# SIT-23 Meeting Objectives

- Secure CEOS Principals' and CEOS entities' commitments to leading/making key contributions to GEO Tasks/Sub-Tasks
- Progress key CEOS deliverables (including Forest Carbon and Greenhouse Gases) for GEOSS, G8, and Climate Conventions
- Assess progress of CEOS Virtual Constellations with respect to SIT and GEO-related activities
- Decide if CEOS wishes to develop one or two "Threads" in demonstrating the value chain in analysis of one or two key GEOSS observational gaps

# Recap of SIT-23 Action Items

- **SIT 23-1:** GEO Forest Carbon Tracking Task Team to utilize synergy with CEOS LSI Constellation regional areas for FAO Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) 2010 sites (**XXX 2009**)
- **SIT 23-2:** GEO Forest Carbon Tracking Task Team to pursue progress on all 5 key joint outcomes relating to the CEOS Communiqué on Forest and Carbon Monitoring with the aim of achieving substantial progress to be reported in connection with SIT-24, GEO-6 and COP-15 (September SIT-24; November GEO-6; December COP-15)
- **SIT 23-3:** JAXA to formally establish by **May 2009** the Carbon Task Force, coordinating CEOS efforts in addressing the 3 Sub-Tasks under GEO Task CL-09-03 and to reporting on measurable outputs in connection with the November 2009 CEOS-23 and GEO-6 Plenaries

# Recap of SIT-23 Action Items

- **SIT 23-4:** CEOS Agencies who are GEO Task Points of Contact to provide updates **every 4 months** to the GEO Task Leads with a cc to the CEO and CEOS SIT Chair
- **SIT 23-5:** CEOS entities (Agencies, Working Groups, Constellations) to provide updates to the *CEOS Actions in Support of GEO Tasks* captured during the *Tour de GEO Work Plan* under Agenda Items 8&9 to the CEO by **31 March 2009**
- **SIT 23-6:** Lead Agencies of *CEOS Actions in Support of GEO Tasks* to connect with proposed Participating Agencies to confirm their participation by **31 March 2009**
- **SIT 23-7:** SIT Chair to transfer background information relating to CEOS preliminary work to date on Threads analysis to the GEO Secretariat for potential utilization by GEO Committees (**April 2009**)

# Recap of SIT-23 Action Items

- **SIT 23-8: CEOS Agencies, LSI and WGISS to work with other GEO Co-Leads and respective national organizations to support full development and data availability from Global DEM (GEO-VI Plenary)**
- **SIT 23-9: OCR Constellation, by 20 August 2009, to complete and submit its Implementation Plan for review in connection with SIT-24**
- **SIT 23-10: SIT Chair Team to provide an updated list of CEOS deliverables to SIT members by 15 April 2009**