



24th March 2013

To: CEOS SIT Chair
From: Ad-hoc WG on Space Data Coordination, SDCG

Re: Element 1 2014 Update of the CEOS Data Strategy for the Global Forest Observations Initiative (GFOI)

Dear Pascale:

We are pleased to convey the 2014 update of the Global Baseline Data Acquisition Strategy – ‘Element 1’ of the CEOS Data Strategy for GFOI. The document comprises the 2014 Implementation Plan. It has been extensively reviewed by both Core and Contributing Data Supply agencies within CEOS and we have confirmed that it has their support.

We kindly ask that you circulate the document to CEOS Principals ahead of the SIT-29 meeting in Toulouse, and that you include endorsement of the Global Baseline Data Acquisition Strategy and its 2014 Implementation Plan in the planning of the agenda and key decisions required of the meeting.

Thank you in advance for circulating the document and its inclusion on the SIT-29 agenda.

Sincerely,

SDCG Exec

Ake Rosenqvist, representing NSC

Gene Fosnight, representing USGS

Frank-Martin Seifert, representing ESA

Stephen Ward & George Dyke, representing Dept Environment - Australia