

Land Surface Imaging Virtual Constellation

Telecon Notes

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Attendees: Brian Killough (SEO), Tim Stryker (CEO), Julio Dalge (INPE), Michael Berger (ESA), Kevin Gallo (NOAA), Ivan Petiteville (ESA), Greg Stensaas (WGCV), John Faundeen (USGS)

After introductions, the participants reviewed the LSI Terms of Reference. Agreed to the following changes:

Under **Scope**:

- Improved coordination support of Space Agency terrestrial activities related to climate initiatives.
- Recommendations from the 2011 CEOS Self-Study and SEO Portal Study. [Moved to Work Plan]

Under **Deliverables**:

- Facilitate the distribution of terrestrial Essential Climate Variables as recommended by the Working Group on Climate.

With these changes, the Terms of Reference update is considered complete. These will be posted on the LSI website.

Participants next discussed the Work Plan. Only one edit was made to include the plans to include European, South African, and Canadian data sets through connection with the Heterogeneous Missions Accessibility (HMA) system. This connection will be through the CEOS WGISS Integrated Catalog (CWIC) service.

John Faundeen provided an update on the LSI web changes. The site domain was moved from NOAA to USGS allowing changes to be made to the site. Shortcomings identified from the CEOS Self Study and the SEO Portal Study are being addressed. These include improving the flow, aesthetics, and the inclusion of SAR missions. Much work has been done with expectations for most to be complete by September.

John Faundeen discussed the long sought, LSI goal for a cross-catalog, map interface. A prototype was released in July and several LSI and WGISS comments received. Target is release the capability by the end of August.

Greg Stensaas made an appeal for additional EO Test Site data that would assist the calibration / validation efforts of WGCV.

Discussion ensued on when to hold another telecon and workshop. Participants agreed to let the co-chairs determine when the next telecom should be. Everyone agreed that holding a workshop near a bigger event would increase the probability of good attendance. Agreed to plan for either a full day following the 12-14 march 2013 SIT meeting in Potomoc, Maryland or a half-day session as a side meeting preceding this SIT meeting.