# **ESA Climate Change Initiative**

# Colocation Meeting, 9-11 September 2020 Online meeting

## **NEW AGENDA**

DAY 1 – Wednesday 9 September 2020 (14:00 CET)		
14:00	Opening and Welcome Maurice Borgeaud, H/D-EOP-S	
14:10	Presentation	
	ESA's role in providing evidence of a changing climate, including CCI's achievements Josef Aschbacher, Director EOP	
14.30	News and update on implementation for CCI+ Susanne Mecklenburg	
14:40	Session 1: CCI's contribution to international climate initiatives Organiser: S.Mecklenburg Moderator: S.Hebden	
	<ul> <li>Panel discussion</li> <li>Briefings per topics below will be distributed prior to meeting</li> <li>Brief intervention (2-3 min) by each panel member at start of session</li> <li>Q&amp;A</li> </ul>	
	Briefings available before meeting on	
	<ul> <li>WCRP's New Strategy and Implementation: opportunities for a follow-on ESA Climate Change Initiative Detlef Stammer (Michel Rixen), WCRP</li> </ul>	
	CEOS/CGMS WGClimate activities     Albrecht von Bargen, DLR, CEOS/CGMS WGClimate	
	<ul> <li>Towards a GEO strategy on EO and climate action Sara Venturini, GEO</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>IPCC – how can you contribute?</li> <li>Myles Allen, Oxford University</li> </ul>	
	EU's Green Deal, TBC	
	Seed questions  o How can ESA CCI contribute	

- to the new WCRP strategy and its implementation
- to the GCOS revised implementation plan
- to the CEOS/CGMS WG Climate activities
- Should ESA CCI contribute as a programme collectively to IPCC Assessment Reports?
- What new data can CCI provide to achieve SDG and climate resilience and adaptation activities?

# **10 min BREAK** 15:40

Session 2: Cross-ECV – from current to future activities, lessons learned and setting priorities for future activities *Organiser: A.Bartsch, D.Ghent* 

Moderator: C.Albergel, C.Donlon

#### **Presentations**

New science questions identified by IPCC AR 6 Richard Jones, UK Metoffice

Towards cross-ECV activities in the revised GCOS implementation plan - what are the main open questions, Han Dolman, GCOS

Earth system science: Future Earth's interdisciplinary research projects and networks, Wendy Broadgate Future Earth

#### 16:40

## **Breakout session**

(attendees to sign up in advance to their preferred session) Interactions on

- 2a Land-atmosphere (Facilitators: W.Dorigo, L.Good, C.Albergel)
- 2b Ocean-atmosphere (Facilitators: C.Merchant, J.Boutin, P.Cipollini)
- 2c Cryosphere-atmosphere (Facilitators: A.Shepherd, T.Lavergne, A.M. Trofaier)
- 2d Land-ocean (Facilitators: S.Sathyendranath,
- J.F.Cretaux, J.Benveniste)

### **Seed questions**

- How to further combine individual ECVs in a more system focussed approach?
- Which cross-ECV do we want to support but need further input, both in terms of existing ECVs' contribution and new ECVs?
- o How could we in future put ECVs into clusters?
- How could projects facilitate benefits for society e.g. provisions around scaling/regionality challenges faced by potential operational users?

#### Feedback from Breakout Session

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18:00	End of DAY 1		
DAY 2 – Thursday 10 September 2020 (10:00 CET)			
10:00	Session 3: Earth Observation for UNFCCC Paris Agreement Organiser: M. Hegglin, M. Buchwitz Moderator: S. Pinnock, F.M.Seifert		
	Presentations		
	Global Stocktake – how does it work? Florin Vladu, UNFCCC		
	What can EO do for the UNFCCC Paris Agreement? Michaela Hegglin, University of Reading		
	CO <sub>2</sub> Human Emissions project Gianpaolo Balsamo, ECMWF		
<b>10 min BREAK</b> 10:55	Breakout Session		
	Identify case studies demonstrating how EO can support the implementation of the Paris Agreement.		
	<ul> <li>3a Group #1: Carbon cycle science in support of monitoring, reporting and verification on GHG emissions on a national level (Facilitator: P. Ciais, E.Webster, BEIS)</li> <li>3b Group #2: Verifying NDCs and setting new targets for land-use change (Facilitator: Martin Herold, P. Defourny)</li> <li>3c Group #3: CDRs to help monitor the health and tipping points of oceans and polar regions (Facilitator: F.Ardhuin, R.Forsberg)</li> <li>3d Group #4: CDRs to monitor local scale and regional terrestrial tipping points, and support mitigation and adaptation (glaciers, urban heat, drought, lakes, frozen land) (Facilitator: S. Simis, D. Ghent)</li> <li>3e Group #5: Thinktank on other areas of potential tipping points or climate mitigation and adaptation (Facilitator: M. van Roozendael, M.Hegglin)</li> </ul>		
	Seed questions		
	<ul> <li>What are the main indicators of climate processes and the climate system to be considered in the Global Stocktake?</li> <li>Which ECVs are key in characterising these indicators?</li> <li>What observational requirements are necessary to yield useful constraints?</li> <li>What is the role of models (GCMs, ESMs, and data assimilation systems) in adding value to EO?</li> </ul>		

11:55	Feedback from Breakout Session			
12:55	End of Session 3			
10 min BREAK				
13:05	<ul> <li>Briefings on</li> <li>Knowledge Exchange, Ed Pechorro, Paul Fisher, Sophie Hebden</li> <li>How to use the DIAS service for CCI, Albrecht Schmidt, ESA</li> <li>Heritage Space – availability of data for CCI, Mirko Albani, ESA</li> </ul>			
14:00	Poster session:			
15:00	Highlights from individual ECV projects in preparation for the Mid Term Review meeting			
	End of DAY 2			
DAY 3 – Friday 1	DAY 3 – Friday 11 September 2020 (10:00 CET)			
10:00	Session 4: Al Contribution to Climate Data and Modelling Organiser: U. Willen, C. Brockmann, A. Waterfall, R. Hollmann Moderator: E. Pechorro, M. Engdahl			
10:10	Al for Climate Modelling Peter Düben, ECMWF			
10:25	Al activities relevant for Climate in ESA's Phi-Lab Giuseppe Borghi, ESA			
10:40	CCI & AI Carsten Brockmann, Brockmann Consult			
10:55	Breakout session (4 x parallel groups) Attendees to sign up in advance to their preferred group. Identified science challenges & feasibility of potential AI solutions -  • Group #1 (Facilitator: Carsten Brockmann)  # Explainable AI on CCI ECVs  # Intelligent Gap Filling for CCI ECVs  • Group #2 (Facilitator: Ulrika Willén)  # Teleconnections Applying CCI ECV Parameter(s)  # Attributing Extreme Weather Events to Climate Change via CCI ECVs  • Group #3 (Facilitator: TBC)  # Connecting Atmospheric CCI ECVs to Ground Phenomena  # Cloud Masking for CCI ECVs  • Group #4 (Facilitator: Alison Waterfall)			
	# Predicting Changes in Water Cycle Via CCI ECVs # Inferring Precipitation via CCI ECVs			

11:40 10 min BREAK	Feedback from Breakout Session
12:30	Session 5: Collaboration between CCI and C3S Organiser: T.Popp, F.Paul Moderator: A.M.Trofaier, O.Arino, J.Munoz
	Presentations
13:00	<ul> <li>Collaboration between CCI and C3S</li> <li>On common R&amp;D interests, Carlo Buontempo, ECMWF, Susanne Mecklenburg, ESA</li> <li>On data standard and interoperability, Ed Pechorro, ESA, Andre Obregon (ECMWF)</li> </ul>
	Seed questions
	<ul> <li>What R&amp;D activities are needed to support C3S operational CDR production?</li> <li>Which ECVs should CCI prepare for future use by C3S?</li> <li>How can we improve interoperability and efficiency in the CCI-C3S collaboration?</li> </ul>
14:00	End of Session 5
LUNCH BREAK	
15:00	Session 6: Evolution of CCI into phase 2 and beyond to a new ESA Climate programme - the views of the Science Leaders Organiser: D.Ghent Moderator: Science Leads (TBC)
16:15	Summary and closing remarks Susanne Mecklenburg
16:30	End of Meeting