



WP 02

Agenda Item: 1.2

Person Responsible: M Sparrow

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Annotated Agenda

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1. Opening Business (Lead: SCAR President)

1.1 Welcome – President (J López Martínez)

1.2 Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable – Executive Director (M Sparrow)

(WP1, WP2, WP3, WP4)

- Adjustments to agenda and timetable
- Apologies
- Housekeeping issues

2. Science (Lead: VP for Science Y-D Kim)

Reports should be brief and highlight items that require action or may be of special interest to EXCOM. Emphasise science achievements, emerging programmes, special opportunities etc. Unless otherwise stated reports to be projected using Powerpoint or equivalent.

2.1 Report of the Chief Officers' and Cross-Linkages Meeting (IP1, IP2)

G Hosie will report on the main outcomes of the Cross Linkages and COs meeting.

EXCOM are asked to note and comment as appropriate.

2.2 SCAR SSGs: Highlights, Progress and Plans:

2.2.1 Report of SSG Physical Sciences (WP 5)

M Candidi will briefly report on progress and plans since the last Delegates Meeting.

2.2.2 Report of SSG Life Sciences (WP 6)

G Hosie will briefly report on progress and plans since the last Delegates Meeting.

2.2.3 Report of SSG Geosciences (WP 7)

B Lyons will briefly report on progress and plans since the last Delegates Meeting.

EXCOM are asked to note and comment on progress.

2.3 SCAR Scientific Research Programmes

2.3.1 Evolution and Biodiversity in the Antarctic (EBA) (WP 8)

G Hosie will present the final report from EBA.

2.3.2 Astronomy and Astrophysics from Antarctica (AAA) (WP 9)

J Storey will briefly report on progress and plans since the last Delegates' Meeting.

2.3.3 State of the Antarctic Ecosystem (AntEco) (WP 10)

D Cowan will report on progress with the new SRP AntEco, including a suggested steering committee and a draft implementation plan.

2.3.4 Antarctic Thresholds - Ecosystem Resilience and Adaptation (AnT-ERA) (WP 11)

J Gutt will report on progress with the new SRP AnT-ERA, including a suggested steering committee and a draft implementation plan.

2.3.5 Antarctic Climate Change in the 21st Century (AntClim21) (WP 12)

M Candidi will report on progress with the new SRP AntClim21, including a suggested steering committee and a draft implementation plan.

2.3.6 Past Antarctic Ice Sheet Dynamics (PAIS) (WP 13)

C Escutia will report on progress with the new SRP PAIS, including a suggested steering committee and a draft implementation plan.

2.3.7 Solid Earth Responses and influences on Cryospheric Evolution (SERCE) (WP 14)

T Wilson will report on progress with the new SRP SERCE, including a suggested steering committee and a draft implementation plan.

EXCOM are asked to approve and comment on progress, in particular with regards to the suggested membership of the steering committees of the new SRPs.

2.4 The SCAR Science Horizon Scan (WP 15)

M C Kennicutt will report on progress with the SCAR Science Horizon Scan. The 1st SCAR Antarctic and Southern Ocean Science Horizon Scan will assemble 50 of the world's leading Antarctic scientists, policy makers, leaders, and visionaries to identify the most important scientific questions that will or should be addressed by research in and from the southern Polar Regions over the next two decades.

An Action Group (which met in December 2012) has been set up to manage the process, including finding external funding to bring the process to fruition.

EXCOM are asked to note and comment on progress.

2.5 Other Science Topics

2.5.1 The International Polar Initiative (IPI) (IP 3)

M Sparrow will update EXCOM on progress with the IPI.

2.5.2 The Southern Ocean Observing System (SOOS) (IP 4)

M Sparrow will update EXCOM on progress with the SOOS, including the introduction of a SOOS data portal and the endorsement by other organisations.

2.5.3 SCAR/IASC Ice Sheet Mass Balance and Sea Level group (ISMASS)
(WP 16)

M Sparrow will present progress with the SCAR/IASC ISMASS group, including a suggested membership of the Steering Committee, partnership with CliC and the first steering meeting.

2.5.4 The Social Sciences and History Groups (WP 17, WP 18)

M Sparrow will present the reports of the Social Sciences and History Groups.

2.5.5 Other

Other science items will be discussed as EXCOM believe appropriate.

EXCOM are asked to note and comment on progress, in particular with regards to the steering committee of the ISMASS group.

3. Data and Information: Highlights, Progress and Plans (Lead: VP for Science Y-D Kim)

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3.1 Standing Committee on Antarctic Data Management (SCADM) (WP 19)

B Danis will remotely present progress with SCADM and issues that require EXCOM action and/or approval.

3.2 Standing Committee on Antarctic Geographic Information (SCAGI) (WP 20)

M Sparrow will present progress and important issues that require EXCOM action/approval.

3.3 SCAR Products (IP 5)

M Sparrow will highlight progress with regards to the SCAR Products.

EXCOM are asked to note and comment on progress.

4. Science Partnerships: Highlights, Progress and Plans (Lead: VP for Science Y-D Kim)

4.1 The Bipolar Advisory Group and relationship with IASC (WP 21)

M Sparrow will highlight the relationship with IASC and bipolar interactions, in particular with regards to the future of the Bipolar Action Group. Outcomes and Actions agreed at the joint SCAR/IASC EXCOM meeting in April will be highlighted.

4.2 Other SCAR Science Partnerships (e.g. APECS, COMNAP, WCRP) (IP 6)

M Sparrow will update EXCOM on interactions with partner organisations.

4.3 Update on MoUs with other organisations (WP 22)

M Sparrow will highlight MoUs and other agreements in force and highlight mechanisms by which these might be treated in a more consistent manner e.g. a review process for when agreements are up for renewal.

EXCOM are asked to note and comment on progress. In particular they are asked to approve the future of the Bipolar Advisory Group and approve a scheme for signing/ renewing MoUs and other agreements.

5. SCAR and Policy Advice (Lead: SCAR President)

5.1 Report of Standing Committee on ATS (WP 23)

S Chown will report on progress with SC-ATS and interactions with the Treaty.

5.2 The Antarctic Conservation Strategy and Environments Portal (IP 7, IP 8)

S Chown will highlight progress with the Antarctic Conservation Strategy and the Environments Portal.

5.3 Interactions with CCAMLR (WP 24)

R Badhe will update EXCOM on interaction with CCAMLR, including the outcomes of a joint SCAR/CCAMLR AG Meeting to work towards a more strategic partnership.

5.4 Advice to other bodies such as IPCC (Oral)

M Sparrow will report on interactions with other policy bodies such as the UPCC and UNFCCC.

EXCOM are asked to note and comment on progress. In particular they are asked to consider the outcomes of the joint AG meeting with CCAMLR.

6. Capacity Building, Education and Training: Progress and Plans (Lead: VP for CBET K Lochte)

6.1 The Martha T Muse Prize (IP 9)

The Executive Officer, R Badhe, will report on the Martha T Muse Prize.

6.2 The SCAR/COMNAP Fellowship Programme (IP 10)

R Badhe will report on the SCAR/COMNAP Fellowship Scheme.

6.3 The Visiting Professor Scheme (IP 11)

R Badhe will update EXCOM on the new Visiting Professor Scheme.

6.4 The CBET Committee and future plans (IP 12)

K Lochte will present progress with the CBET Committee and future plans, including an update of the SCAR CBET Plan from 2006.

EXCOM are asked to note and comment on progress. In particular they are asked to consider plans to update the SCAR CBET Plan.

7. Communications: Progress and Plans (Lead: VP for Admin and Outreach S Marensi)

7.1 The SCAR Website (IP 13)

M Sparrow will report on progress with the new SCAR Website, including a timeline for making the new website live.

7.2 Other Communications activities (e.g. Climate Communications, Social Networking, publications including the SCAR Newsletter) (IP 14)

R Badhe will report on other communications activities.

EXCOM are asked to note and comment on progress.

8. Major Meetings (Lead: VP for Admin and Outreach S Marensi)

8.1 Plans for OSC 2014, including abstract submissions (IP 15)

The chair of the OSC 2014 meeting, B Storey, will update EXCOM on progress with regards to the OSC 2014 Meeting.

8.2 Updates for ISAES 2015 and OSC 2016 (IP 16)

S Marensi will provide an update on plans with regards to ISAES 2015 and OSC 2016

EXCOM are asked to note and comment on progress.

9. SCAR Business (EXCOM only) (Lead: VP for Admin and Outreach S Marensi)

9.1 Secretariat Report (WP 25)

M Sparrow will present the Secretariat Report, including progress on Actions, Staffing and other issues that affect the efficient running of the Secretariat.

9.2 Potential new membership (IP 17)

S Marensi will inform EXCOM of potential new SCAR members and any problems with arrears.

EXCOM are asked to note and comment on progress. In particular EXCOM are encouraged to suggest possible new SCAR members.

10. Finance (EXCOM only) (Lead: VP for Finance B Storey)

10.1 Financial Statement for 2012 (WP 26a,b)

R Badhe will present the Financial Statement for 2012.

EXCOM are asked to approve the 2012 Statement.

10.2 Revised Budgets for 2013 and 2014 (WP 27, WP 28)

B Storey will present the revised budgets for 2013 and 2014.

EXCOM are asked to approve the revised budgets.

10.3 Draft Budget for 2015 (WP 29)

B Storey will present the draft budget for 2015.

EXCOM are asked to approve the draft 2015 budget.

10.4 Progress with SCAR Development Council (WP 30)

J López Martínez will present an update to the SCAR Development Council.

EXCOM are asked to support the work of the Development Council and suggest ways in which it can fulfil its remit.

10.5 Finance Strategy update (WP 31)

B Storey will present an update to the SCAR financial strategy, including consideration of the last Business Plan, the requirements of the SCAR groups and Secretariat and the concerns of the Delegates with regards to efficient use of resources.

EXCOM are asked to comment on the Finance Strategy as appropriate.

11. Actions Arising (Lead: SCAR President)

11.1 Actions from EXCOM 2013 (Oral)

M Sparrow will summarise the main Actions arising from the 2013 EXCOM meeting

11.2 Other Business

12. Closure of the meeting