



WP 02

Agenda Item: 1.2

Person Responsible: M Sparrow

## XXXIII SCAR Delegates Meeting

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### Annotated Agenda

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## 1. Opening Business

The SCAR President, J López-Martínez, will chair this agenda item.

### **1.1 Welcome**

J López-Martínez, President of SCAR, will open the meeting at 0845 and welcome Delegates and Observers to the XXXIII SCAR Delegates' meeting. Sir Peter Gluckman, Science Advisor to the Prime Minister of New Zealand, will welcome Delegates to New Zealand.

### **1.2 Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable (WPs 1,2,3,4)**

Delegates will be asked to adopt the agenda [WP 01], the annotated agenda [WP02], the list of documents [WP03], and the timetable for the meeting [WP04], suggesting additions and modifications where appropriate.

**In accordance with the SCAR Rules of Procedure, Delegates of Associate Members and Observers will be asked to leave the plenary session during Session 2, on the admittance of new Members. Please note that Session 3 is also closed to Observers.**

## 2. Membership (CLOSED)

The SCAR President, J López-Martínez, will chair this agenda item.

### **2.1 Applications of Czech Republic and Islamic Republic of Iran for Associate Membership of SCAR (WPs 5a,5b)**

The papers for these applications were distributed in advance of the meeting and are available as WP5a and WP5b. The Observers from the Czech Republic and the Islamic Republic of Iran will present the application for Associate Membership of SCAR, after which they will leave the room during discussions.

**Delegates will consider the applications of the Czech Republic and the Islamic Republic of Iran to become Associate Member of SCAR.**

The representatives from the Czech Republic and the Islamic Republic of Iran will be invited to rejoin the Plenary, and the decisions will be announced.

### **2.2 SCAR Membership issues, including possible future members**

The Executive Director, M Sparrow, will note discussions about membership with

Austria, Colombia, Kazakhstan, Saudi Arabia, Thailand and Turkey.

**Delegates will be invited to suggest ways in which additional members may be recruited.**

M Sparrow will note that most countries are up to date with Membership payments. The Delegates' will be asked to consider cases of any Members being more than 2 years in arrears of their membership payments.

**Members will be asked to note the rules about membership arrears in the SCAR Articles of Association.**

### **3. SCAR Officers (CLOSED)**

The SCAR President, J López-Martínez, will chair this agenda item.

#### ***3.1 Notification of elections of two Vice-Presidents***

The Offices of two Vice-Presidents (S Marensi and Y-D Kim) fall vacant at the end of the meeting, the incumbents having completed their appointed terms of Office. The Secretariat will briefly review SCAR election procedures.

**Delegates will elect two Vice-Presidents for the period 2012-2016 (elections to take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 1400-1530).**

**A committee to conduct the elections will be established.**

#### ***3.2 Appointment of Standing Finance Committee***

The Standing Committee on Finance comprised B Storey (Chair, New Zealand), J Xavier (Portugal) and León Bravo (Chile). Two additional *ad hoc* members will be appointed.

**The Delegates will be asked to appoint two *ad hoc* members to the Finance Committee plus any replacements that may be necessary to the committee.**

### **4. Science**

The SCAR V-P Y-D Kim will chair this agenda item.

#### ***4.1 The SCAR Horizon Scan (WP 6)***

The SCAR Past-President, M C Kennicutt II, will discuss the outcomes of the SCAR Science Horizon Scan, the final meeting of which was held in NZ in April. This will include discussion of the products from the scan.

#### ***4.2 SCAR SSGs: Highlights, Progress and Plans***

Y-D Kim will introduce this item. Delegates will be reminded of the importance of appointing up to four representatives to each SSG to ensure that SCAR can operate effectively and represent the interests of each member.

#### *4.2.1 Report of SSG Physical Sciences (WP 7)*

The Chief Officer of SSG Physical Sciences, D H Bromwich, will introduce this item and report briefly on progress and plans.

**Delegates will discuss the progress of the SCAR SSG PS and decide what changes, if any, need to be made to future plans.**

**Delegates will be asked to approve recommendations in the SSG PS report including membership of and the creation, cessation or continuation of subsidiary SSG groups.**

**The Finance Committee will be instructed to devise a biennial budget (total allocation only) in support of SSG PS financial requests.**

#### *4.2.2 Report of SSG Life Sciences (WP 8)*

The Chief Officer of SSG Life Sciences, G Hosie, will introduce this item and report briefly on progress and plans.

**Delegates will discuss the progress of the SSG LS and decide what changes, if any, need to be made to future plans.**

**Delegates will be asked to approve recommendations in the SSG LS report including membership of and the creation, cessation or continuation of subsidiary SSG groups.**

**The Finance Committee will be instructed to devise a biennial budget (total allocation only) in support of SSG LS financial requests.**

#### *4.2.3 Report of SSG Geosciences (WP 9)*

The deputy Chief Officer of SSG Geosciences, J Galindo Zaldivar, will introduce this item and report briefly on progress and plans.

**Delegates will discuss the progress of the SSG GS and decide what changes, if any, need to be made to future plans.**

**Delegates will be asked to approve recommendations in the SSG GS report including membership of and the creation, cessation or continuation of subsidiary SSG groups.**

**The Finance Committee will be instructed to devise a biennial budget (total allocation only) in support of SSG GS financial requests.**

### **4.3 SCAR Scientific Research Programmes**

Y-D Kim will introduce this item. Delegates will be reminded that this will be the first Delegates meeting reports for the new SRPs and that AAA has undergone an external review.

#### *4.3.1 Astronomy and Astrophysics from Antarctica (AAA), including external review (WP 10)*

The Chair J Storey will present progress and plans for the SRP Astronomy and Astrophysics from Antarctica (AAA), including the responses to the external review.

*4.3.2 State of the Antarctic Ecosystem (AntEco) (WP 11)*

The Chair A Terauds will report on progress and plans for the SRP State of the Antarctic Ecosystem (AntEco), including the new leadership of AntEco since A Terauds will be stepping down as CO to become CO of SC-ATS.

*4.3.3 Antarctic Thresholds – Ecosystem Resilience and Adaptation (AnT-ERA) (WP 12)*

J Xavier will report on progress and plans for the SRP Antarctic Thresholds – Ecosystem Resilience and Adaptation (AnT-ERA).

*4.3.4 Antarctic Climate Change in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (AntClim21) (WP 13)*

D H Bromwich will report on progress and plans for the SRP Antarctic Climate Change in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (AntClim21).

*4.3.5 Past Antarctic Ice Sheet Dynamics (PAIS) (WP 14)*

The co-Chair C Escutia will report on progress and plans for the SRP Past Antarctic Ice Sheet Dynamics (PAIS).

*4.3.6 Solid Earth Responses and Influences on Cryospheric Evolution (SERCE) (WP 15)*

The Chair T Wilson will report on progress and plans for the SRP Solid Earth Responses and Influences on Cryospheric Evolution (SERCE).

**Delegates will discuss the progress of the SRPs and decide what changes, if any, need to be made to future plans.**

**The Finance Committee will be instructed to devise a biennial budget (total allocation only) in support of SRP financial requests.**

**4.4 Other Science Topics:**

*4.4.1 The Social Sciences Action Group (WP 16)*

Y-D Kim will report on progress with the Social Sciences Action Group (SSAG).

**Delegates will be asked to note progress and consider recommendations.**

*4.4.2 The History Expert Group (WP 17)*

Y-D Kim will report on progress with the SCAR History Group (HG).

**Delegates will be asked to note progress and consider recommendations.**

*4.4.3 The Southern Ocean Observing System (SOOS) (WP 18)*

L Newman will report on progress with the Southern Ocean Observing System (SOOS). SOOS' mission is to establish a multidisciplinary observing system to deliver the sustained observations of the Southern Ocean.

The SOOS is sponsored by SCAR and SCOR and currently endorsed by POGO and the WCRP projects CLIVAR and CliC.

**Delegates will be asked to note progress and consider recommendations.**

*4.4.4 The Southern Ocean Acidification report (WP19)*

M Sparrow will report on the plans for publication and launch of the SCAR Ocean Acidification Report.

**Delegates will be asked to note progress and consider recommendations.**

*4.4.5 Review of SCAR co-sponsored groups and activities (WP 20)*

Y-D Kim will report on the review of SCAR co-sponsored groups and activities, including recommendations.

**Delegates will be asked to note progress and consider recommendations.**

*4.4.6 The International Polar Partnership Initiative (WP 21)*

V Rachold will report on the International Polar Partnership Initiative.

**Delegates will be asked to note progress and consider recommendations.**

*4.4.7 The Year of Polar Prediction 2017-2019*

P Reid will briefly report on the WMO Year of Polar Prediction (<http://polarprediction.net>.)

**Delegates will be asked to note progress and consider recommendations.**

*4.4.8 Other WMO Activities (IP 13)*

The WMO Observer, S Pendlebury, will give Delegates a brief overview of other WMO polar activities of relevance to SCAR, including the Polar Space Task Group and the Global Integrated Polar Prediction System.

**Delegates are asked to note the synergies between the work of WMO in the Antarctic region and that of SCAR and to consider ways in which the two organisations may partner in a mutually beneficial way.**

*4.4.9 The ICSU Unions and SCAR*

J López-Martínez will report on interactions with the ICSU Unions and give those Unions present the opportunity to highlight any possible areas of future cooperation with SCAR.

The Finance committee will be asked to devise a budget in concert with the Delegates decisions on budget requests within this agenda.

## 5. Data and Information: Highlights, Progress and Plans

SCAR V-P Y-D Kim will lead this item.

### **5.1 The Standing Committee on Antarctic Data Management (SCADM) (WP 22)**

M Sparrow will report on progress and plans with SCADM.

### **5.2 The Standing Committee on Antarctic Geographic Information (SCAGI) (WP 23)**

M Sparrow will report on progress and plans with SCAGI.

### **5.3 SCAR Products (IP 1)**

M Sparrow will update Delegates on progress with the SCAR Products.

**Delegates will be asked to consider recommendations and budget requests from SCADM and SCAGI.**

## 6. Partnerships: Highlights, Progress and Plans

J López-Martínez will chair this item.

### **6.1 SCAR Partnerships (COMNAP, IASC, APECS, WCRP etc.) (IP 2)**

M Sparrow will briefly discuss partnerships with other organisations. V Rachold (IASC) will highlight the International Conferences on Arctic Research Planning (<http://icarp.arcticportal.org>) and its relation to the Horizon Scan activity.

### **6.2 SCAR MoUs and other agreements (IP 3)**

M Sparrow will update the SCAR Delegates on SCAR MoUs and other agreements, including discussions on agreements with the European Polar Board and AFOPS.

**Delegates will be asked to note progress and provide feedback as appropriate.**

## 7. SCAR and Policy Advice

J López-Martínez will chair this item.

### **7.1 Report of the Standing Committee on the ATS, including interactions with the Treaty, the Antarctic Conservation in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Initiative and CCAMLR (WP 24)**

The Chair, S Chown, will report on progress with SCATS, interactions with the Treaty, and on the Antarctic Conservation in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Initiative.

**Delegates will be asked to note the progress by SCATS and approve any membership changes requested. In particular it should be noted that S Chown's term as Chief Officer comes to an end and he will be replaced by A Terauds.**

**Delegates will be asked to consider recommendations and budget requests under this agenda item.**

***7.2 Advice to other bodies, such as the IPCC***

M Sparrow will comment on interactions with other policy bodies such as the IPCC and UNFCCC.

**The Finance committee will be asked to devise a budget in concert with the Delegates decisions on budget requests within this agenda.**

**8. Capacity Building, Education and Training: Progress and Plans**

V-P K Lochte will chair this agenda item.

***8.1 The SCAR Fellowship Programme (IP 4)***

The SCAR Executive Officer, R Badhe, will report on the selection of the 2013/14 SCAR/COMNAP Fellows.

***8.2 The Visiting Professor Scheme (IP 5)***

R Badhe will report on the selection of the 2013/14 Visiting Professors.

**Delegates are asked to note progress and urge National Committees to provide additional financial support for the Fellowship and Visiting Professor Programmes.**

***8.3 The Martha T Muse Prize (IP 6)***

The Executive Officer, R Badhe, will report on the Martha T Muse Prize and interactions with the Tinker Foundation.

**Delegates are asked to note progress and that 20% of the EO's and AA's time are paid for by the Tinker Foundation to administer the Prize.**

***8.4 Capacity Building, Education and Training including future plans (WP 25)***

K Lochte will report on progress with SCAR CBET activities.

**Delegates will be asked to consider recommendations and budget requests under this agenda item.**

## 9. Communications: Progress and Plans

K Lochte will chair this agenda item.

### **9.1 The SCAR Website (IP7)**

M Sparrow will report on progress with the new SCAR Website.

### **9.2 Other Communications activities (Climate Communications, Social Networking, publications, SCAR Newsletter etc.) (IP 7)**

M Sparrow will report on this item.

### **9.3 The role of SCAR National Committees**

J López-Martínez will chair a discussion on the role of SCAR National Committees within SCAR.

**Delegates will be asked to consider recommendations and budget requests under this agenda item.**

## 10. Major Meetings

J López-Martínez will chair this agenda item.

### **10.1 Plans for SCAR 2016 Meetings in Malaysia (IP 8)**

The Malaysian Delegate, A Abu Samaha, will report on progress and plans for the 2016 SCAR meetings.

### **10.2 The SCAR 2018 Meetings (IP 9)**

J López-Martínez will lead discussions on bids to host the 2018 SCAR Meetings

### **10.3 Other major Meetings (IP 10)**

M Sparrow will report on any other major meetings e.g. ISAES 2015.

**The Finance committee will be asked to devise a budget in concert with the Delegates decisions on budget requests within this agenda.**

## 11. SCAR Business (CLOSED to all Observers)

J López-Martínez will chair this agenda item.

### **11.1 SCAR Organisation: A possible review of the structure of SCAR (WP 26)**

J López-Martínez will lead a discussion on a possible review of the SCAR Structure.

**Delegates are asked to consider if a review of the SCAR structure is necessary and if so the format of such a review. Delegates are also asked to note that SCAR will undergo a review by ICSU starting at the end of 2014.**



**11.2 The next SCAR Strategic Plan 2017-2022 (WP 27)**

J López-Martínez will lead a discussion on the plans for the next SCAR Strategic Plan 2017-2022.

**Delegates are asked to comment as appropriate, including how the outcomes of the Horizon Scan and any reviews should influence the process.**

**11.3 Secretariat and EXCOM Reports (IPs 11,12)**

J López-Martínez will briefly comment on the Secretariat and EXCOM reports.

**Delegates are asked to comment as appropriate.**

**12. Finance (CLOSED to all Observers)**

V-P B Storey will chair this agenda item and give a quick update on finance matters (WP 28)

**12.1 Financial Statements for 2012, 2013 (WP 29, 30)**

B Storey will present these items with the assistance of R Badhe, the SCAR Executive Officer.

**Delegates are asked to approve the 2012 and 2013 statements.**

**12.2 Revised Budget for 2014 (WP 31)**

B Storey will present this item with the assistance of R Badhe, the SCAR Executive Officer.

**Delegates are invited to approve revisions to the 2014 budget.**

**12.3 Revised Budget for 2015 (WP 32)**

B Storey will present these items with the assistance of R Badhe, the SCAR Executive Officer.

**Delegates are invited to approve revisions to the 2015 budget.**

**12.4 Budget for 2016 (WP 33)**

B Storey will present these items with the assistance of R Badhe, the SCAR Executive Officer.

**Delegates are invited to approve the 2016 budget.**

**12.5 The SCAR Development Council (IP 13)**

M Sparrow will present progress with regards to the SCAR Development Council on behalf of the Chair, P Convey.

**Delegates are asked to note progress.**

**12.6 Allocation of funds from Prince Albert Foundation's Prix Biodiversité (WP 34)**

M Sparrow will ask the Delegates to approve a plan to allocate the €40,000 awarded to SCAR from the Prince Albert Foundation's Prix Biodiversité, based on feedback already received from the Delegates and SCAR Chief Officers.

**Delegates are asked to approve a plan to allocate the prize money from the Prince Albert Foundation's Prix Biodiversité**

***12.7 Any other Finance Matters***

B Storey will give the opportunity for Delegates to raise any additional finance matters.

**13. Other Business**

***13.1 Any other business***

J López-Martínez will ask if there is any other business.

**14. Closure of the meeting**

The SCAR President, J López-Martínez, will close the meeting.