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Participants:

MB: Gascard, Karcher

WP1: Gerdes, Wadhams

WP2: Schwarz, Brigham

WP3: Hermansen

WP4: Rehdanz, Wilkinson

WP5: Parsons, Crepin

WP6: Paul Berkman (as guest to the SC for items 3 and 4)

The protocol follows the agenda prepared by Laetitia:

1. ACCESS stakeholders/End-users Forum (SEF) discussion led by Michael

Michael reported on the state of the SEF questionnaire feedback from the WPs. Not all WPs have reported back yet. A new deadline for response was set to 19th August. The SEF list will then be sent to the EU officer for information. Each POC has the responsibility to contact his/her respective contact at the stakeholder.

As a possible new stakeholder Greenpeace was discussed. Due to its importance and a well balanced representation of interests in the SEF it was believed to be advantageous to have Greenpeace as an additional NGO. On the other hand advice from the EU should be sought on their position due to the controversial role of GP w.r. to some of their methods which include provocative violation of laws. It was left open who would be the POC at ACCESS. WWF contact to Martin Sommerkorn will be made by Rüdiger Gerdes and Michael Karcher.

2. ACCESS Advisory board discussion led by Jean Claude

The suggested list of 5 AB members was presented by Jean Claude and discussed in the SC. As a representative of indigenous peoples, ICC (Aqqaluk Lynge, Chair) was chosen as the preferential option in contrast to the IPS. Instead of AMAP as representative of the Arctic Council, PAME was suggested by Lawson as the better alternative to AMAP. This suggestion was accepted. The final list of AB members is attached to this document and will be sent to the EU officer for approval, before contacting the respective persons.

3. ACCESS Flyer and website discussion led by Jean-Claude

The flyer draft was presented by JC. Open issues: list of specific objectives to be reduced to max 5 each (one liners) (feedback to JC until 19th August).

- Open issue size and cost of the flyer:
 - either no costs, UPMC 5 pages standardized product, logos of UPMC quite prominent

- or free size and layout (e.g. 6 pages) and costs to be carried by ACCESS. JC will evaluate costs before decision will be made. Tendency goes towards independent production.

Website: Jean Claude presented state of website. Open issues: Economic sectors should be introduced by joint 6 liner introduction (similar to flyer).

- The pages of the WPs should show fotos of WP leaders,
- Typos remain to be checked,
- ACCESS Graphic with project components should be clickable for single components (WPs, stakeholders, etc), Pictures in the background should be simplified in some cases (difficult to detect content). Graphic should be moved to front page and may be repeated on each components website with respective component highlighted (colored vs greyed out)
- List of website responsibilities at UPMC needs to be sent to partners (who is contact person for which input?)
- Option to open internal website and /or wiki to be checked (Michael will contact Oystein Godoy on wiki options, also for potential to serve as path to ensure information flow from WPs to WP5 (MSP and EBM))
- Some elements need to be added/modified:
- Missing category: Press on ACCESS, workshops and meetings of ACCESS
- general press clips: to be listed at all? perhaps to much information and to much work to post it. JC will try for 6 months to see if it works. Input for this category to be sent to Nathalie
- jeremy suggests implementation of tool for ships and buoy localization (will check out opportunities and contact with UPMC webmaster)

4. ACCESS Newsletter N°1 (with Paul Berkman assistance) discussion led by Paul

Paul presented his current draft of the first newsletter. JC will check the option to have the final layout done by a designer. Open issues: Partner names to be shortened (Michael send list to Paul), Blue box texts at head of each WP to be sent to Paul until 18th August, info on meetings and publications to be sent to Paul

Paul informed on potential RSoc meeting for ACCESS (co-sponsorship) in 2013 (2 days, funded by RSoc), focus to be Science, ACCESS is interested, Paul to send information material, set of ACCESS organizers should be well chosen (e.g. JC), decision on ACCESS participation should be made soon!

5. Report from the meeting The Ocean of Tomorrow organised in Brussels on July 7, 2011. Discussion led by Lindsay and Jean Claude

Cancelled due to time limitations, report on the meeting had been sent out by JC and Laetitia already anyway

6. ACCESS workshop in Bremen on climate prediction (September 5-6, 2011). Launching of the ACCESS website, the ACCESS flyer and the ACCESS newsletter N°1.

Partners Interviews (short movies) and press conference.

Discussion led by Rudiger regarding the workshop itself

Rüdiger presented the plans for the ws (information on schedule and list of speakers, as well as call for participation was sent out to several projects, including Ocean of Tomorrow projects, ARCRISK). Occasion will be used to present Flyer, Website and newsletter to the public.

7. ACCESS Marine spatial planning and ecosystems based management. This will be a major topics for the ACCESS WP5 workshop following back to back with the ACCESS steering committee meeting. During the ACCESS steering committee meeting we would like to address specifically the interaction between the ACCESS Marine Spatial planning and other existing MSP (part of the international cooperation activities of ACCESS). We will also address the issue of how to feed on the WP5 MSP with specific contributions from the other ACCESS WPs (1 to 4)"**Discussion led by Lindsay**

The discussion was postponed to the WP5 meeting the next day.

8. International cooperation (Arctic Council, Indigenous people, Search (ISAC) and Arcticnet, MoU (bilateral) etc...) led by Jean Claude

Cancelled due to time limitations

9. ACCESS specific interactions with other projects (EU projects and others) led by Michael

Cancelled due to time limitations

10. Important meetings, workshops and Conferences involving a strong participation of ACCESS (ex. the IPY 2012 in Montreal etc...) during the coming year (until the end of 2012) led by Jean Claude

Peter presented the Oil Spill workshop again and asks for financial contribution to invite experts. The quest was seen problematic since no special budget for such meetings and invitations is available at ACCESS. Also the question of eligibility of such costs for refund from EU is problematic. WP4 will try to raise small contributions from WP4 partners.

Next GA: Original suggestion by Michel Andre to have it taking place in Barcelona was well received, but may raise concerns at Arctic States for being hosted at southern country. Offer by Anne-Sophie to host in Stockholm (Lawson points out the positive effect of having it hosted in the AC Chair country). Anne Sophie will evaluate local organizing options, Michael will inform Michel Andre.

Workshop of UoL to be organized by Anna Stammler Gossmann, Michael suggests assistance by UPMC (lead of WP6 and MB)

11. ACCESS administrative issues (deliverables, downpayments, contracts and subcontracts) Documents prepared by Laetitia to be distributed

Jean Claude reports on problems with flow of EU contribution, money left UPMC accounts but obviously did not yet arrive at partner accounts. he will evaluate the situation in Paris to clarify (may be hampered by holiday season)

Jean Claude reported on problems with the continuation of Paul Berkman's employment at UCAM The problem will further be attempted to be solved and information on the issue be provided by Jean Claude.

He reports that Laetitia will leave ACCESS to join the 'Reporteurs sans frontieres' in October.

This is a very sad and difficult situation for us, but we will have to cope with it. An interview with a replacement from CNRS is scheduled for this month, the new person will have the possibility to work in parallel with Laetitia for the month of September to get acquainted to the

project. Thoughts on a replacement for Laetitia in the ACCESS WPs 6,7,8 have not come to a clear solution yet.