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**Minutes from the ACCESS steering committee meeting on
September 4, 2012 from 2.15pm to 6pm
at the IfW in Kiel (Germany).**

Present: Sebastian Petrick, Joachim Schwarz, Michael Karcher, Jean Claude Gascard, Jeremy Wilkinson, Katrin Rehdanz.

On Phone/Skype: John Isaksen, Anne-Sophie Crepin, Lawson Brigham, Melanie Pellen, later: Øystein Godoy

Missing: Nathalie Sennaechal, Rüdiger Gerdes, Peter Wadhams, Arne Eide, Lindsay Parson

ACTION ITEMS in yellow

1/ Status on ACCESS deliverables and milestones (delay, rejection etc...)

Two deliverables have been rejected/questionned by Gaelle:

D2.14 not sure how the end users interacted. NH more info needed

D6.22 Stakeholder list needs to be longer

A response has been written to Gaelle, no answer yet.

D5.21 was under discussion with Adele, Paul and others, **needs final aprovement from MB after confirmation of final state by NERC** to be submitted

D5.81 has been enhanced and can be accepted

D4.41 oil spill review (submitted)

D2.43 Joachim requests a shift of the deliverable 'Decrease of ice and shipping needs' to change M24 to M42. Obviously a mistake in the DoW. **Melanie/Jean Claude to check next best options for change**

D5.31 could be delayed. **WP1 requested to interact, in combination with D5.11 and 5.21 to make these complete.**

The delayed deliverable related to the AUV (the postponed experiment) will be available soon, the experiment is reported to have been successful (PW via JW)

JI (added per email): MS321 slightly delayed. Notice duly given (to project officer) and VITAMIB updated. Expected delivery: within October. Øystein Hermansen (NOFIMA) and Max Troell (Beijer) are the persons responsible.



2/ ACCESS policy brief about oil spill under sea ice (cf the draft proposed by Jeremy)

JW need suggestions on how to address to policy doc better.

Michael to read D4.41 report and report back.

More feedback desired from all: What do we need to convey to the policy makers etc...?

Lawson mentions his role as a member of an AC task force on oil spill and a new document t.b. released by the AC. This document should be taken into account for the production of the policy brief. Lawson will give a respective input to Jeremy.

3/ Status about ACCESS NL4 (modeling) and NL5 (field works)

A number of (very different) contributions have been sent in to Paul, a draft version including all raw input has been sent out by Paul. Input is missing from a large number of modelling groups, explicitly no input yet from WP1 and WP2.

Michael has sent an email to a number of modellers of WP4 and one of WP1 to ask for input (Claire, Kathy, Rüdiger, Kathrin, Peter Jochmann, Michel Andre, and Ivar Isaksen).

Of these all partners present at the WP4 meeting have responded positively and will contribute in time.

A further email will be sent to those who have not yet contributed and are not covered by this email: Harald Schyberg, Jens Debenard, Edgar Morgenroth

Deadline for NL contributions: Friday Sep 14! NL to be published end of September!

Provide illustrations if possible.

Joachim mentions an information from Captain Mikhailichenko on new regulations for ship traffic in Russian Waters which are expected to publishable soon.

Newsletter No 5 is already announces, topic: Field observations

4/ preparation of the ACCESS GA in Barcelona

Monday March 4 to Friday March 8, GA on Tuesday to Thursday, Monday and Friday for side meetings and travel. Morning presentations afternoon Poster sessions, plus stakeholders, advisory board. The meeting is scheduled to allow for more interaction, as well as cross over between WPs, following suggestions by the AB members and own considerations.

Further ideas welcome!

LB: what is the scope for cross WP sessions? Is there a timeframe to complete these sessions.

Suggestion to perhaps invite one of representatives of EU DGs (Ashton's section?) to give a keynote speech on the EU's role and interest w.r. to ACCESS topics.

WP4 already suggest side WP meeting on Monday afternoon. Further side meetings to be

notified to all, please.

5/ Communication strategy with the EU commission. This could include the new EU documents (cf Adele's message)

SC members please read the document sent by Adele to be informed on the EU position.

Jean Claude discuss possibilities for another afternoon meeting with EU Arctic officials in Brussels to discuss ACCESS and EU topics. JCG to send out an email to the SC to request topics for the meeting and to EU to check interest and timing (e.g. January/February)

6/ Communication strategy with stakeholders

JCG Still struggling with stakeholders, concrete interaction difficult. JC will talk with Anna Stammler in Rovaniemi on planned stakeholder workshop for Kirkenes.

Joachim Schwarz to discuss requested stakeholder Lloyd's Register with Lindsay (former contact overlaps?)

Joachim Schwarz will visit Sept 16/17: World Ocean Council and Arctic Council meeting representing ACCESS.

7/ Communication strategy with the Arctic Council

We ACCESS sent a letter to the Chair of the AC ambassador Lint (Sweden). No response received.

ACCESS interest to more actively to collaborate with the working groups, for some it is existing already. Some advice from the AC how to proceed would be good. Most of ACCESS WP thematically link in the AC working groups.

LB suggest that ACCESS people should directly contact working groups (or working group heads) and ask for participation at various AC venues. Could be an efficient way to interact without doubling up on tasks. WP, task leaders, partners should make this contact and come to a particular WG meeting and observe and interact.

LB: ACCESS is doing a reasonable job of interacting with the Arctic Council. We have ACCESS researchers linking with the SAON Task Force, the Oil Spill Task Force, PAME, EPPR, CAFF and I believe, AMAP (Lars Otto's working group). A good letter was sent to the Swedish Chair of the Council and if Joachim can attend the business/World Ocean Council-Arctic Council venue in Iceland, that will be an important & useful connection from several commercial perspectives.



Communications in the near future may be with the new Arctic Council Secretariat being established in Tromsø. ACCESS can communicate our results also perhaps to the working groups once we have completed more of the research. We might have someone come from the Arctic Council to the GA in Barcelona.

Overall we (the ACCESS researchers) need to be proactive in communicating with various elements of the Arctic Council and thus far we are doing this. The Arctic Council may not respond back very easily or promptly since they are responding to an array of issues in governmental circles.

MK: could we invite some of the AC WG or task leaders to respective thematically fitting WP meetings.

8/ Communication inside the project. Which issues need assistance, especially data and information flow?

Partners need to be proactive, management will help where possible.

Oystein mentions the fact that up to now no input to data-storage has been made, input is needed to fulfill EU requirements and to allow partners to access data from each other!

9/ New development for Arctic research and international cooperation This could include the new FP7 call, the final ArcRisk meeting, the 2013 Arctic Frontiers and the 2013 AOS meetings, ArcticSees etc..

EU Arctic Information Center, leader: director Paula Kakampa (Arctic centre, Finland) has submitted proposal, JC to visit her this week.

ArcticSees: NSF bid. Sept 14 deadline, Lawson Brigham, Paul Berkman involved in leading roles

Focus on areas Barents Sea, West coast of Greenland and the Bering and Chukchi Sea, Coastal Arctic Seas.

LB: Pull in ACCESS partners (French) possible...

MK: suggestion to submit presentations from ACCESS to 2013 Arctic Frontiers meeting in Tromsø (Jan 2013), see <http://www.arcticfrontiers.com/>

Topics:

1. Geopolitics in a Changing Arctic
2. Marine harvesting in the Arctic
3. Arctic Marine Productivity



MK: Possibility to jointly organize session(s) with ArcRisk (www.arcrisk.eu) on their final conference in Tromsø January 2014 (Arctic Frontiers 2014), topics: Arctic Human Health, feedback to SC desired

10/ Miscellaneous (website, movies, management etc...)

MK: We have to raise the visibility (the profile) of ACCESS over the next year.

Discussion in WP6 and with single partners will be initiated. Need for input/help from partners' press offices is mentioned, since very small funds for dissemination in WP6

JW: Move to Cambridge and budget, need advice how to minimize the impact to other partners

JW: Visit to Alaska to look at building WP4 links with the guys in Fairbanks

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JS: Stakeholders are invited to the GA

MP (added per email) : (MANAGEMENT):

Review of P1 report:

After the submission of the 1st periodic report on May 16th, several comments were received from the EC regarding the costs declaration of 6 partners. Until the EC get the explanation, the payment procedure is blocked. Additional clarifications were sent on August 17th. We expect to receive the payment (1.692.332€) by the end of September provided no further comments are received. We will follow up with the EC to ascertain the latest situation.

MP: The P.O pointed out that the PM foreseen in the DoW should be respected. For this first period, the deviations are high.

Next payment:

The next payment will include:

1/ The Contribution requested for P1 (according to the FORMC)

2/ The second prefinancing advance payment: 10% of the total prefinancing amount calculated at the start of the project.

Status of the Amendment 3:

Amendment 3 is being finalized. The modifications were accepted by the P.O and registered on the EC portal.