

GEO BON Steering Committee Meeting
22-23 June 2009
WMO, Geneva

BEFORE THE MEETING

- Each Topical WG lead prepares a short 1-paragraph summary on the status of their WG. This is distributed 2 days before the meeting (for inflight entertainment). Early Products and EBONE should prepare one as well.
- Discuss via telecon inclusion of regional BONs in the implementation approach
- Identify remaining governance issues and explore solutions
- Think about the challenges to GEO BON progress: what are the main ones?

PRIMARY MEETING GOALS

- Refine implementation approach and plans (based on WG status)
- Identify challenges to GEO BON progress, and devise plans to address them
- Resolve remaining governance issues (leading to updated ToR)
- Agree on desired role in GEO VI

DAY 1

Monday, 22 June, starts at 9:00

- 1 Introductions, purpose of meeting, outputs and outcomes (30)**
- 2 Big picture: Where is GEO BON now? (20; 10 min plus 10 min discussion)**
- 3 Updates (30)**
 - 3.1 GEO secretariat (5 min)
 - 3.2 EBONE (5)
 - 3.3 Early products (3-4 min x 5 = 20 min)
- 4 Topical WGs (discussion) (2 hrs)**
 - 4.1 Status of each (3-4 min x 8 WGs = 30 min)
 - 4.2 What are the major challenges the WGs face (for example, funding)?
 - 4.3 How can these be addressed?
 - Who takes the actions?
- 5 Regional BONs (2 hrs)**
 - 5.1 Overview (10)
 - 5.2 Discussion
 - How to refine the approach?
 - How maintain a global integrated system?
 - What are the major challenges?
 - What other BONs should be found/facilitated?
 - Devise overall plan, and next steps
- 6 Day 1 wrap-up: summary of outcomes, review of decisions, and plans for next day (30)**

Informal participant dinner

DAY 2

Tuesday 23 June, starts at 9:00

1 Reflection on the previous day (60)

2 Remaining governance issues (3 hrs)

- 2.1 Review desired makeup of SC
- 2.2 How close are we to that? How do we fix it?
- 2.3 SC size
- 2.4 Engaging the marine biodiversity community
- 2.5 TOR finalization and agreement (suitable for distribution)

3 GEO VI: GEO BON plans (45)

- 3.1 What would we like to show there?
- 3.2 Are we on track?
- 3.3 Devise plan/schedule as appropriate

4 ~3:00: Next Steps

- 4.1 What are the near-term milestones and what is the path to reaching them?
- 4.2 Future meetings—needs, purpose, outcomes, dates

5 Meeting wrap up: Summarize outputs and Action Items (15)

End at 5:00 pm