Kick Off Meeting of the WCRP LA & C Conference

Scientific Steering Committee

Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación Productiva (MinCyT)

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Draft Agenda

Monday 4 March

09:00 - 09:30 Start of Meeting

Welcome (MinCyt-UBA) Introduction (All) ToRs of the SSC and Aims of the SSC meeting (Walter Baethgen/Celeste Saulo) (10 min)

09:30 - 10:30 Climate& applications research frontiers

Review of Climate & applications research frontiers (by every member of the SSC), including WCRP and GEWEX expectations for the *WCRP-CCS for LA&C*. This section is intended to provide input about the scope and expectations on this Conf, and will take advantage of each participant expertise.

- 09:30 WCRP Grand Challenge for Regional Climate (Carolina Vera WCRP-JSC)
- 09:45 VAMOS perspective (Hugo Berbery, VAMOS co-chair)
- 10:00 GEWEX research priorities in LA &C (Rene Garreaud GEWEX)
- 10:15 CORDEX S. America perspective (Silvina Solman)

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 - 12:30 Climate & applications research frontiers (cont)

11:00 Data bases for climate analysis and forecasting, links with WGSIP (Celeste Saulo)

11:15 Climate Services Partnership (CSP) perspective (Walter Baethgen)

11:30 Can we meet expectations from Agriculture and Energy Generation users? (Pedro Leite Silva Días)

11:45 Bridging climate science and policy (Fernanda Zermoglio)

- 12:00 Climate& applications research frontiers (Sandro Schwindlein)
- 12:15 Landuse, land cover and ecotone shifts (Holm Tiessen)

12:30 - 13:30 lunch break

13:30 - 15:00 Climate & applications research frontiers (cont)

- 13:30 German Poveda (TBD)
- 13:45 Michael Taylor (TBD)
- 14:00 15:00 Discussion of "Climate & applications research frontiers" towards Conference Themes outline

15:00 - 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 - 17:30 Conference format

Agree on an appropriate title, acronym, scope, mission and vision for the WCRP-CCS for LA&C

Determine Conference agenda (type of presentations, key note speeches and white papers, plenary discussions, break-out groups, poster sessions, back-to-back meetings) Define actions to promote synergies across existing programs and emerging initiatives relevant to LA&C

Draft call for papers for the WCRP-CCS for LA&C

Tuesday 5 March

09:00 Brief review of accomplishments and pending issues from previous day

09:15 - 10:30 Conference Funding

Develop and Initiate Funding Strategy Assessment of conference funding needs Identify Stakeholders and Funding Bodies, points of contact (and/or funding committee) Draft funding proposals

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 - 12:30 Conference participation

Define the size of the meeting and variety of participants (stakeholders, policy makers, academia, etc.)

Identify/Define invited talks

List programs that should be invited to present or organize poster clusters

Validate the prior mapping of existing climate research institutes and researchers to publicize the Conference

12:30 - 13:30 lunch break

13:30 - 15:00 Preparation for the WCRP-CCS for LA&C: I) organization and logistics

Website, registration, announcements, brochure, flyer Establish relevant organization task forces (Scientific boards, logistic board, local organization, etc) Establish timeline Local arrangements (venue, accommodation, catering, social events) Conference side events and meetings

15:00 - 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 - 17:30 Preparation for the WCRP-CCS for LA&C: II) Deliverables and legacy

Discuss conference deliverables (including proceedings, website for presentations, etc.) Develop mechanism for delivering conference outcomes to stakeholders Discuss involvement of Climate Services and other local institutions (intermediate?) in sustaining long-term dialogue between research-stakeholders-society (outreach activities?) Action Items for SSC

Closure