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GAW-CH / GCOS-CH

Record of Decisions – First ad-interim Scientific Steering Committee

Date, Time: 24 Mai 2022, 10:00 – 12:30

Location: Bern

Participants:

Steering Committee T. Stocker (University of Bern, Chair), B. Buchmann (Empa), J. Klausen

(MeteoSwiss), C. Schär (ETH Zurich), R. Stöckli (MeteoSwiss)

MeteoSwiss Management Board B. Calpini

Swiss GAW/GCOS Office M. Stalder, I. Werner

Minutes S. Storrer

Virtual invitee (Item 7-8) GEBA: P. Smith (ETH Zurich), PERMOS: J.Nötzli (PERMOS Office)

1 Welcome and adoption of Agenda

The Chair welcomes the ad-interim Swiss GAW/GCOS Scientific Steering Committee (SSC) to the first meeting. The new members are welcomed. The agenda is adopted.

2 Minutes of last StC Meeting

The minutes and record of decisions of the ninth GCOS Switzerland Steering Committee meeting are adopted.

3 Reorganisation of GAW-CH and GCOS-CH

The MeteoSwiss Management Board on 28 February 2022 has decided

- 1) to transfer the existing GCOS Switzerland Steering Committee into a joint Swiss GAW/GCOS Scientific Steering Committee;
- 2) to transfer the two national offices (GAW-CH Office, Swiss GCOS Office) into a joint Swiss GAW/GCOS Office, which will be responsible for implementing both GAW-CH and GCOS Switzerland, including the financial resources available for this purpose.

This decision took effect on 1 April 2022.

4 Overview of ongoing GAW-CH and GCOS-CH agreements including status report

The SSC takes note of the status reports and the additional information provided. All activities supported in the framework of the GAW-CH and GCOS-CH programmes are subdivided into 1) Monitoring activities; 2) Central Facilities; 3) Projects.

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5 Projects: Information on current open joint Swiss GAW/GCOS call for proposals

The joint Swiss GAW/GCOS call for proposals is open until 30 June 2022. The proposals will be formally evaluated by the Swiss GAW/GCOS Office and subsequently sent to the members of the SSC for the scientific evaluation.

6 GCOS-CH Strategy: Review of achievements 2017-2021 questionnaire results from community

MeteoSwiss conducted a review of achievements of the GCOS Switzerland Strategy period 2017-2021. The review concluded that the implementation of the strategy is well underway.

Following an assessment of the strategy review, MeteoSwiss plans to 1) update its national inventory in 2023 and 2) continue organising events for the Swiss GAW and GCOS communities such as the recently organised outreach events in the French and Italian speaking regions of Switzerland.

7 GCOS-CH Central Facilities: Outcomes of GEBA evaluation and decision on future funding

The members of the SSC declare their conflicts of interest. The SSC takes note of the outcomes of the GEBA evaluation. The SSC decides to invite GEBA to submit a follow-up proposal for the period 2023-2026. The funding level in the framework of GCOS Switzerland is set to the same order of magnitude as for the current agreement period.

The Swiss GAW/GCOS Office is tasked to inform GEBA accordingly.

8 GCOS-CH Monitoring: Outcomes of PERMOS evaluation and decision on future funding

The members of the SSC declare their conflicts of interest. The SSC takes note of the outcomes of the PERMOS evaluation. The SSC decides to invite PERMOS to submit a follow-up proposal for the period 2023-2026. The funding level in the framework of GCOS Switzerland is set to the same order of magnitude as for the current agreement period.

The Swiss GAW/GCOS Office is tasked to inform PERMOS accordingly.

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a) Dates of next meetings

The second ad-interim SSC meeting will take place on the following date:

- Autumn meeting 2022: Thu, 5 September 2022;

The first regular SSC meeting will take place on the following date:

- Spring meeting 2023: Thu, 16 March 2023.