

The Twentieth Session of the
Terrestrial Observation Panel for Climate (TOPC-20)

Geneva, Switzerland - 19-21 March 2018

WMO Hq, Room 8 Jura

Draft Agenda



Day 1: Monday, 19 th March 2018 (Opening, Updates and Actions)						
Time		N°	ITEM	Presenter	min	Targeted outcome
13:00 13:45	Opening	1	Opening of the Meeting			
		1.1	Welcome and introduction	Stephen Briggs & Wolfgang Wagner	5	
			Welcome to WMO	tbd	10	
		1.2	Adoption of Agenda	Wolfgang Wagner	10	
		1.3	Introduction of participants	All	10	
		1.4	Aims and expectations	Wolfgang Wagner	10	
13:45	Opening	2	Updates and information			
15:15		2.1	Update from WCRP	Michel Rixen	30	
		2.2	Introduction to new GCOS Strategy	Stephen Briggs & Carolin Richter	60	Information and discussion
15:15 15:45			Coffee Break		30	
15:45	Actions	3	TOPC 19 Actions			
16:15		3.1	Presentation of actions from TOPC-19 and discussion	Simon Eggleston	10	A review of the actions from TOPC-19 and their outcomes
		3.2	Open and ongoing actions	Discussion	20	
16:15	ECVs	4	ECV Requirements			
17:35		4.1	An introduction to the ECV requirements in the Implementation Plan. What they represent, (user needs vs observational requirements) and how they will be revised.	Simon Eggleston	20	To provide a common understanding of how the ECV and ECV product requirements are determined and how they will be improved. Aim to achieve a common understanding of what the numbers represent.
		4.2	Discussion	All	60	
17:35	End of day 1					
19:30	Dinner					

Day 2: Tuesday, 20th March 2018 (ECV)

Time	N°	ITEM	Presenter	Targeted outcome	
09:00	4.3	ECV Factsheets	Valentin Aich	15	The requirements should be discussed and plans made to maximize the contributions to the refinement of the ECV requirements and ensure a consistent approach across all ECV
10:40		4.4	BOGs Discuss: 1) The definition of each ECV and ECV Product as well as review the data sources 2) How well do the requirements represent user needs? 3) Are all the ECV products needed by users - are some observational steps? 4) How can the broader community, both science and user groups, be contacted for their ideas on revising the ECV requirements 5) Discuss issues that cut across other panels e.g. coastal waters (freshwater inputs, carbon transfers, mangroves and other land covers).	85	
10:40 - 11:00		Coffee Break		20	
11:00	4.4	BOGs Continue		60	
12:30	4.5	BOGs Reports and Summary		30	
12:30 - 14:00		Lunch		90	
14:00	5	Implementation Plan Actions			All the relevant Implementation Plan actions should be considered and progress noted. Any issues or problems should be reported.
15:30	5.1	Overview of Actions	Simon Eggleston	20	
	5.2	BOGs Discuss progress and issues arising from Implementation Plan actions	Discussion	70	
15:30 - 15:50		Coffee Break		20	
17:30	5.2	BOGs continue	Discussion	70	
	5.3	BOGs Reports and Summary	All	30	
17:30	End of day 2				

GCOS Workshop: Wednesday, 21 th March 2018						
Time		N°	ITEM	Presenter		Targeted outcome
09:00 10:10	Initiatives	6	GCOS Initiatives			
		6.1	GCOS Surface Reference Network	Nigel Tapper	10	Possible TOPC involvement of these initiatives should be considered
		6.2	Identifying ECV to represent human adaptations to climate change	Nigel Tapper	15	
		6.3	Task Teams on Lightning, Weather Radar & GRUAN	Valentin Aich	15	
		6.4	Discuss potential biosphere indicator	Nadine Gobron	30	The possibilities for a biomass indicator should be discussed
10:10	Data	7	Data access etc.			
10:40		7.1	TOPC Website	Wolfgang Wagner	30	
10:40	11:00		Coffee Break		20	
11:00 12:15	Summary	8	Next Steps			
		8.1	Discussion on how TOPC should work through 2018	Wolfgang Wagner	45	
		8.2	Actions Arising	All	10	
		8.3	Date and time of next meeting	All	10	
		8.4	AOB and Meeting Closure	All	10	
Closure and Lunch						