

## **United Nations Department of Economic** and Social Affairs



### <u>Expert Group Meeting for the Global Sustainable Development Report: Emerging issues and peer review</u>

#### ICSU headquarters, Paris, France 13 - 14 October 2015

#### **DRAFT Programme**

Day One – 13 October 2015	
16:15-16:30	Registration & Coffee/Tea
16:30-17:00	Opening Chair: Lucilla SPINI
	Opening remarks (UN/DESA)
	<ul> <li>Welcome remarks (Heide Hackmann, Executive Director, &amp; Jinghai Li, Chair, Committee on Scientific Planning and Review, ICSU)</li> </ul>
	Introduction of participants
	<ul> <li>Introduction to the meeting: expectations, objectives and working methods for the EGM (UN/DESA)</li> </ul>
17:00-18:00	Session 1: Strengthening the science-policy interface through the Global Sustainable Development Report (GSDR)
	<u>Chair: Gisbert Glaser</u>
	Recent developments with respect to the GSDR and guidance received.
	<ul> <li>Introduction to the context of the GSDR: science-policy interface, high-level political forum on sustainable development and its themes, the post-2015 development agenda, GSDR 2014 and 2015, and the role of the scientific community in the GSDR process (UN/DESA) [15 min.]</li> </ul>
	Video with statements on the GSDR [4min.]
	<ul> <li>David Black, Secretary-General, ICSU: ICSU Committees and ICSU         Programmes/IBs at the science/policy interface for the benefit of society [3 min.]     </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Fumiko Kasuga, Global Hub Director Japan, Future Earth: Future Earth and the science/policy/practice interface (tbc) [3min.]</li> </ul>
	Lucien Chabason, IDDRI: IDDRI and science-policy interface (tbc) [3 min.]
	• <b>Zitouni Ould-Dada</b> , UNEP/DTIE: UNEP science-technology-policy interface [3 min.]
	<ul> <li>Clare Stark/Salvatore Arico, UNESCO: UNESCO science-policy-society interface [3 min.]</li> </ul>
	Feedback and discussion
18:00-19:00	Cocktail at ICSU
20:00 – 22:00	Discussions over Dinner (own arrangements)



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Day Two – 14 October 2015		
08:00 - 08:30	Coffee discussion	
08:30 - 10:00	Session 2: Emerging issues	
	<u>Chair: Belinda Ryers (tbc)</u>	
	This session will explore the range of ways and means to engage scientists in the identification of emerging issues to be included in the GSDR for consideration by policy makers.	
	<ul> <li>Introduction to emerging issues identification in GSDR 2014 and 2015 and results of the UN expert group meeting on science issues for consideration by policy makers (UN/DESA) [15min.]</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Lucilla Spini, ICSU Head of Science Programmes, and Oyewale Tomori, CSPR Member, ICSU: emerging issues and ICSU: development of Strategic Plan and development/review of new programmes (Lucilla Spini, Head of Science Programmes, ICSU) [10 min]</li> </ul>	
	Ludgarde Coppens, UNEP [10 min.]	
	Stewart Lockie, CSPR Member, ICSU: emerging issues in tropical sciences [10 min]	
	• Emmanuelle Quillérou, UNU-INWEH: emerging issues in environmental economics [10 min.]	
	<ul> <li>Patrick Paul Walsh, University College Dublin and SDSN: A systematic approach engaging scientific communities and libraries, piloting national processes and common templates [10 min.]</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Open discussion on a systematic engagement of scientists in a multi-year process for the identification of emerging issues</li> </ul>	
10:00 - 10:30	Coffee Break	
10:30 – 12:00	Session 3: Ideas for a chapter on emerging issues in GSDR 2016	
	Chair: Richard Alexander Roehrl	
	The second part of this session will aim to collect ideas and commitments for producing a chapter on emerging issues for GSDR 2016. It will discuss the role of crowdsourcing and means and ways of engaging participants' expertise for reducing "longer lists" of emerging issues from various sources. The session will be interactive without formal presentations. Brief introductions (mini-presentations) are encouraged by the experts listed below and those who send inputs/ideas before the meeting.	
	Cheikh Mbow, Senior Scientist, ICRAF, Nairobi	
	Claire Weill, Secretary General, Conference CFCC-2015 (tbc)	
	Muhammad Saidam, CSPR Member, ICSU	
	Sarah Moore, ISSC	
	Belinda Ryers, Future Earth	
	Katsia Paulavets and Anne-Sophie Stevance, Science Officers, ICSU	
	Clare Stark/Salvatore Arico, UNESCO	
	This session will also discuss outreach to groups and potential contributors.	
	<ul> <li>Outreach strategy and possible roles of partners (e.g., ICSU, ISSC, Future Earth, SDSN)</li> </ul>	

12:00 – 13:00	Lunch Break — Lunch provided at ICSU
13:00 – 14:30	Session 4: Options for peer review
	Chair: David le Blanc
	The session will aim to collect ideas for peer reviewing the GSDR 2016-2019. This issue is expected to be considered by member States in the coming months, as they further examine the scope and methodology of the GSDR. The session may include presentations but be interactive. Brief introductions are encouraged by the experts listed below and those who send inputs/ideas before the meeting.
	Lessons-learnt from peer review in GSDR 2014 and 2015 (UN/DESA) [10min.]
	William Colglazier, AAAS [10 min]
	Francoise Gaill, Ocean and Climate Platform, France [10 min.]
	Norichika Kanie, Keio University and Future Earth, Japan [10 min]
	Lucien Chabason, IDDRI [10 min.]
	Tom Beer, CSPR Member, ICSU [10 min.]
	Interactive discussion
14:30 – 15:00	Coffee Break
15:00 – 16:15	Session 5: Next steps
	Chairs: Richard Alexander Roehrl and Lucilla Spini
	This session will discuss next steps for collaborations, including elements of a work plan
16:15	Closing