

# **Global and Region Data Assembly and Coordination Centre(s) start up meeting**

## **Oct 25-26, Southampton, UK)**

**Start: 09:00, Day to be determined.**

**End: 16:00, Day to be determined**

### **Participants:**

Graham Allen, Boris Dorschel (not confirmed), Robin Falconer, Vicki Ferrini/Suzanne Carbotte, Martin Jakobsson, Geoffroy Lamarche, Larry Mayer, Pauline Weatherall, Lisa Taylor

### **Meeting purpose**

Global and Region Data Assembly and Coordination Centre(s) (GDACC/RDACCs) start-up meeting aiming to establish the Seabed 2030 centres and adopt a common initial work framework and coordination plan.

### **Preliminary agenda**

#### **Wednesday Oct 25**

09:00: The Nippon Foundation – GEBCO - Seabed 2030 Project, **Robin Falconer**

The project background and status

09:15: Presentation round by centre hosts, ca 12 min each (ongoing ocean mapping activities, specific strengths and resources)

LDEO, **Vicki Ferrini**

NIWA/GNS, **Geoffroy Lamarche**

AWI, **Boris Dorschel**

SU, **Martin Jakobsson/Larry Mayer**

BODC, **Graham Allen**

10:00: The concepts behind the GDACC and RDACCs, **Martin Jakobsson**

10:20: Seabed 2030 Business plan and budget, **Graham Allen**

10:40: Seabed 2030 project plan, **Martin Jakobsson**

11:00: Health break

11:15: Discussion Part I: Practical considerations for Centre establishments

1. Centre initialization time plan
2. Centre organizations and regional boundaries
3. Seabed 2030 positions at GDACC/RDACCs

Type of positions (flexibility of position types), new recruitments or allocation of existing personal (views from each centre), employment lengths etc.

4. Budget considerations

OH, salaries (social costs), running costs, special projects

12:00: Lunch

13:00: Continued discussions Part I

15:00: Project communication and interaction, **Lisa Taylor**

16:00: End

18:30: Project dinner

## **Thursday October 26**

09:00: Decisions from discussion of Part I, points 1-4

Draft decisions, input to rules of procedures

10:00: Discussion Part II:

1. Gathering, compiling and publishing existing data

What is the present status?

How will Seabed 2030 deal with existing regional projects, such as the IBCAO, IBCAO, Galway, EMODNET, the Indian Ocean and non-active IBCs?

Establishment of Regional Editorial Boards

2. Mapping the gaps

Resolution scheme: Is 100 x 100 m, 400 x 400 m etc.

Expedition coordination (Centre roles, new tools to be developed)

New mapping expeditions (Fund raising)

3. Leveraging innovative technologies

4. Communications and media

The role of the GDACC versus RDACC, who does what?

5. Capacity review

Skills, tools and resources lacking?

11:00: Health Break

11:15: Continuation Part II, points 1-5

12:00: Lunch

13:00: Continuation Part II, points 1-5

15:00: Health Break

15:15: Continuation Part II, points 1-5

15:30: Decisions from discussion Part II, points 1-5

Draft decisions, input to rules of procedures

16:00: End

**Meeting location and accommodation:**

The accommodation during the meeting will be paid by the Seabed 2030 project. Logistical information will follow.