Report of the 2010 Ocean Science Division Business Meeting (page1/2)

The business meeting of the Ocean Science Division of the EGU was held during the EGU 2010 General Assembly on Thursday 6 May 2010, in Room 6 of the Conference Centre, (from 12h15 to 13h15).

The attendance was over 100 persons. The agenda included 10 items, and all have been discussed (see the slides attached). The most important outcomes of the meeting discussions are summarized below. This report has been written by Bernard Barnier, the OSD president, with the help of the OS Division Officers.

**Item 1 – Election of the OSD president for the next term.**

Bernard Barnier, present President elect will run for a second term. No other candidate was proposed.

**Items 3&4 – Awards:**

The 2009 YSOPP award was given to ZiYuan Hu (PhD student at Université de Marseille), and Alexander Barth was congratulated by the Division for his 2010 OYS Union award.

**Item 5 – Division OYS award.**

The assembly was informed that the OS Division will have an Outstanding Young Scientist Award in 2010. The OSD winner will be proposed for the Union OYS award. The rule established by the EGU Council is that if the winner of the division OYS gets the union award, there will be no division award that year. The assembly asked almost unanimously that this rule be changed. This request was reported by the OS President to the Council the next day who did not want to consider it for the moment, with the argument that the rule established by the council last year should not be changed before being applied and evaluated.

**Item 6 – Organisation of the OS Division.**

The new organisation of the OS Division has been presented by the president and approved. Briefly, after working for more than 4 years in the OS Division, Peter Koltermann (Tsunami Unit, Unesco) is leaving the position of vice president and Ruth Preller (NRL, USA) is leaving the position of science secretary for operational oceanography. They are respectively replaced in these positions by Peter Brandt (IFM-GEOMAR, Kiel) and by Michel Rixen (Nato La Spezia, Italy). The Outreach activities of the Division need to be developed, and the Division mentioned that discussion were going on with Vinca Rosmorduc (CLS, Toulouse) for an Outreach secretary position in OSD.

**Item 7 – Fridtjof Nansen Medal Committee**

The nomination of Peter Koltermann as Chair of the Nansen Medal Committee was proposed and was approved unanimously by a vote of the assembly.
Item 8 - 2010 General Assembly
The assembly was globally pleased by the 2010 meeting and its organization (including the reservation of TB5 for posters). The feedback regarding the PSD was generally positive, although it seems that it did not work well for a few sessions. Participants suggested that it would be an improvement if a room could be dedicated to PSD during the whole week during TB3 or TB4, at the same floor where the OS sessions occur. This room should be the same for all OS sessions and for the whole week, and would be used by the sessions having their posters in TB5 on the same day.

Item 9 - Ocean Science Journal
A summary of the publication activity of the Ocean Science Journal was presented. EGU members were invited to propose themselves as topic editors (renewal is necessary), and to submit papers. Publication in OS will still be free of charge until the end of 2010.

Item 10 - Other issues
The OS President asked that other issues not discussed at this meeting could be sent by email after the meeting. Among those submitted, two appear worth being mentioned.

To improve poster sessions, it was suggested that poster session on Friday in the morning and the session names should be better indicated (instead of the alphanumeric codes) above the posters.

A question was raised was whether EGU would considered implementing some form of virtual conferencing, i.e. making presentations (or even podcasts) available to remote registrants (on a voluntary basis with permission of presenters). This might help to reduce travel by the community and thus help to set a good example in terms of carbon consciousness to rest of the (scientific) community on travel.

The meeting was adjourned after no other items was proposed to discussion.

Annex 1: OS Division members starting May 2010
President elect: Bernard Barnier, LEGI-CNRS, Grenoble, France
Nansen Medal Committee Chair: Peter Koltermann, Tsunami division, UNESCO, Paris
Vice-president and Science Secretary for Deep Seas & Climate: Peter Brandt, IFM-GEOMAR, Kiel, Germany
Science Secretary for Biogeochemical Oceanography: Véronique Garçon, LEGOS, Toulouse, France
Science Secretary for Operational oceanography/Instrumentation: Michel Rixen, NURC, La Spezia, Italy
Science Secretary for Shelf Seas and Coastal oceanography: Johan van der Molen, CEFAS, Environment and Ecosystems, UK
Outreach Secretary: Vinca Rosmorduc, CLS, Toulouse, France

Annex 2: Slides presented at the OSD meeting (see below)
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-- 2010: election year for new OS president

Present President:
• Elected in fall 2008
• Started at GA 2009
• Organises GA 2010 and GA 2011

Next President:
• Election in fall 2010
• Will start at GA2011
• Will organise GA2012 and GA2013

Deadlines
• Candidacy by 20 August 2010
• Election period: 01 November – 01 December 2010

Candidates
• Bernard Barnier (for a second term)
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Bernard Barnier  
LEGI-CNRS, Grenoble, France

**Vice-president and Nansen Medal Committee Chair**  
Peter Koltermann  
Head Tsunami Division, UNESCO

**Science Secretaries**

*Biogeochemical Oceanography:* Véronique Garçon  
LEGOS-CNRS, Toulouse, France

*Operational oceanography/Instrumentation:* Ruth Preller  
NRL, Oceanography Division, MS, USA

*Deep Seas & Climate:* Peter Brandt  
IFM-GEOMAR, Kiel, Germany

*Shelf Seas and Coastal oceanography:* Johan van der Molen,  
CEFAS, Environment and Ecosystems, UK
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-- YSO Poster Presentation Awards

2009 : 15 posters in competition. @ awards

ZiYuan Hu
ziyuan.hu@univmed.fr

for the poster entitled:
Coastal (Sub) Mesoscale Eddies in the Gulf of Lion
by Ziyuan Hu, Andrea M. Doglioli, Anne Petrenko, Patrick Marsaleix, Ivan Dekeyser and, LATEX group

2010 : 25 posters in competition.

Conveners chose the referees for the posters of their sessions
Reviews are sent to OS Division who selects the winner

Winner
• invited at EGU GA in 2011
• publication of related paper in EGU journal is free of charge
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Union Outstanding Young Scientist rewarded

3 young scientists have been awarded

- Alexander Barth (Ocean Sciences - OS)
- Jasper Vrugt (Non Linear Processes in Geosciences – NP)
- Valerio Lucarini (Hydrological Sciences - HS)

Alexander Barth

Proposed by the Ocean Sciences Division

for his achievements in the field of data assimilation in oceanography, to which he has contributed original ideas on the development of assimilation strategies for regional ocean models.
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Ocean Science Division Outstanding Young Scientist Award

Starting: 2011 (Call to sent shortly after GA)

Objective: to distinguished a young scientist in the field of Ocean Sciences

Proposal: YOU send nomination to OS President:
  • Nomination letter (1/2 page)
  • CV (1 page)
  • selected bibliography supporting nomination (1/2 page)
  • In total no more than 2 pages

Selection:

The winner will be selected by the OS Division
The winner will be OS nominee to the Union OYS Award
  4 best division candidates will get Union Award
Union Award prevails on Division Award

31st May 2010 (June 15 in 2010)
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Science Subdivisions:
- Biogeochemical Oceanography
- Operational Oceanography/Instrumentation
- Deep Seas & Climate
- Shelf Seas and Coastal oceanography

Suggestions:
- Coupled systems, Remote Sensing, Deep Seas, Climate, Modelling

Opinion of the OS Division Office: The present situation is fine to manage the sessions presented at the GA.

Outreach A project for my second term:
- Construct Outreach and a useful Web site
- Advertise Summer Schools, Postdocs and PhD offers (web links)
- More? (links with FP7 major oceanography projects)
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Fridtjof Nansen Medal 2010

Micheal McPhaden
Pacific Marine Environment Laboratory, NOAA

Call for the 2011 medalist

You propose nominations

Look at the website for instructions

Nomination must be sent before
May 31st each year
(June 15 in 2010)

Only via the Official Email
(look at the Web)

Medal Committee:

Chair (2011 & 2012):
Peter Koltermann  GA Approval

Members:
2 past medalists
2 non medalists

Non voting members
OSD President
Chair Union Medal Committee

OS DIVISION MEETING, Vienna 2010
OCEAN SCIENCE DIVISION MEETING, Vienna 2010

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EGU General Assembly

2010 EGU General Assembly in Vienna (~18% increase for EGU, stable for OS)
- Thanks to all conveners for the great job and the very good interaction
- Statistics (on sessions OS leads) – No oral in TB5 (18:00-19:30)
  OS : 458 abstracts; 177 Orals (38%); 281 Posters (62%)
  EGU: 13948 abstracts; 4463 Orals (32%); 9485 posters (68%)

- 2011 EGU general assembly in Vienna
  - Expect the same (or decreasing) proportion regarding Orals/Posters
  - Improve Poster Sessions:
    PSD Sessions (Poster Summary and Discussion): ground floor room
    Authors register and convener establishes a program.
    More chairs and sofas, wine and cheese.
  - Improve co-organisation/merging of sessions with NP and Climate
  - 15 mn coffee break?

2012-2013 EGU general assembly: Very likely Vienna
- Number of rooms dedicated to Oral will not increase after 2011.
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Ocean Science Journal

Open Access Journal

Free (no publication charge in 2010)

- Ocean Physics, Chemistry
- Biological oceanography
- Air-Sea Interactions
- Ocean models (physical, chemical, biological, biogeochemical)
- Coastal and shelf edge processes
- Paleo-oceanography
- Observations, Theory and Models

Open to Special Issues

Executive Editors

- William Jenkins, Eric J.M. Delhez & John A. Johnson

Quick publication in OS Discussion (14 days)
Publication increased in OSD (+355%) and OS (+148%)
OS is regularly looking for Topic Editors: Contact Chief editor

Submit papers to OS (citation index will appear in 2010)
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Other Items
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- Comments regarding the way the OS Division is (should be) working ...

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Critics,
Questions
and Suggestions

Send emails
Meeting Adjourned

Thank you