

## **TS Division Meeting 10 April 2013, 12:30 – 13:15**

Notes by Susanne Buitter

The meeting was opened ca 12:30 by Fabrizio Storti, outgoing TS president.

### **Stephan Mueller Medal, Outstanding Young Scientist (OYSA), and Outstanding Student Poster (OSP) Awards**

The Stephan Mueller Medal is aimed at outstanding mid-career TS scientists. The 2013 medal was awarded to Leigh Royden (the medal lecture had taken place directly before the division meeting). The OYSA was awarded to Steven Smith.

Nominations for both awards for 2014 are due 15 June 2013. All guidelines were given at the division meeting (DM) and can be found at: <http://www.egu.eu/awards-medals/>

The Stephan Mueller medal committee consists of the past TS president and the past 4 medallists. The DM approved the 2014 Stephan Mueller medal committee: Fabrizio Storti (chair), Seth Stein, Laurent Jolivet, Jacques Malavieille, Leigh Royden, and Susanne Buitter (ex-officio).

The TS OYSA committee consists of the current TS president (chair) and the past 4 awardees. The DM approved the 2014 OYSA committee: Susanne Buitter (chair), Giulio di Toro, Olivier Galland, Andre Niemeijer, and Steven Smith.

The 2012 Outstanding Poster Award was chosen by the TS Outreach Secretary Francesca Cifelli and TS president Fabrizio Storti on the basis of the poster judge evaluations. The 2012 TS OSP was awarded to Camille Clerc.

### **Outreach**

Information was given about EGU outreach activities, including the GIFT programme (Geoscience Information for Teachers) where 80 teachers participate each year with a dedicated programme.

The EGU council approved a new Topical Events committee in February, which will be chaired by Fabrizio Storti. EGU supports Topical Meetings, Thematic Conference Series, Workshops, Summer and Winter Schools, and short courses.

### **Publications**

Encouragement to support Solid Earth, the open access journal for our community. [www.solid-earth.net](http://www.solid-earth.net)

Susanne Buitter, incoming TS president, took over from here.

### **TS@EGU2013**

The TS division had 865 abstracts in TS-led sessions and a total of 1,580 abstracts when those of co-sponsored sessions are included. 17 abstracts received support. The TS abstracts are presented as: 35% orals, 61% poster, 4% PICO (EGU-wide numbers are 33% oral, 64% poster, 3% PICO).

At the time of the call-for-abstracts, the TS programme had 42 TS-led sessions, whereas at the meeting we had 29 TS-led sessions and we co-sponsored an additional 26 sessions (so 55 TS sessions total). These numbers imply that every day of the meeting has 2 to 3 TS-led sessions in parallel. TS had 3 poster-only sessions.

Information about the building of the programme: Skeleton programme in early Summer, call-for-sessions in Summer, call-for-abstracts probably January. Our bottom-up philosophy does imply a relatively large number of session merges after the abstract deadline.

The TS 2013 programme committee consisted of: Fabrizio Storti, Susanne Buitter, Daniel Koehn, Laurent Montesi, Carole Petit, Gwenn Peron-Pinvidic, Mark Allen, Dickson Cunningham, Mustapha Meghraoui, Marcel Frehner, and Guillermo Booth-Rea. A big thank you to all of them!

This year we had 3 rooms on the same floor: B1 (200 seats), B9 (355 seats), and B13 (111 seats). Our posters (Blue XL) were on the same level. A very good situation!

Call for a News and Media secretary: This is important for advertising TS activities, meetings, contacts with media, and promoting TS research presented at the EGU meeting. Please volunteer! A joy of writing is most important, with less emphasis on technical skills as the Copernicus office will maintain the division web page.

### **The TS division in 2014**

Susanne proposes to:

- Experiment further with poster-only sessions, perhaps invite posters,
- Schedule posters in the day-time, in close collaboration with other divisions (e.g. GD, SM, GMPV, EMRP),
- Co-sponsor one or two sessions with AGU Tectonophysics (contacts already made),
- Explore session co-sponsoring with GSA (contact made after the DM),
- Try to have an active website, and
- Promote TS research presented at EGU towards media.

### **Feedback and discussion**

- (1) The DM is open to experiment with day-time posters at the 2014 GA. This will make scheduling somewhat more challenging as we have to watch for clashes of posters with orals, PSDs, and PICOs.
- (2) Question from DM if posters could be scheduled at lunch-time. This is difficult as many other activities take place at lunch-time, such as the EGU plenary meeting, the Arthur Holmes medal lecture, and the DM. We could try the block before lunch, so there is not a strong cut-off time.
- (3) Question from DM if Poster Summary Discussions (PSD) could be scheduled at a fixed time, for example, first block in the morning. Currently PSDs are at different times and often difficult to combine with the rest of the personal programme. We will take this suggestion with us, but this may also be difficult to combine with the main constraints for PSDs that they need to be scheduled before the posters and not clash with the orals of that session.
- (4) New this year was that the posters of related divisions were put close to each other, on initiative of Susanne. TS posters were close to those of EMRP, SM, GD, GMPV and G. The DM perceived this as an improvement.
- (5) The current programme structure is judged sufficient.

(6) The screen placement in room B9 is problematic as half of the room cannot see where the speaker points.

**EGU location next years**

EGU is staying in Vienna for the next 6 years with an option for another 5 years. This was met with applause.

Closing of meeting by Susanne Buitter at ca 13:15