

Agenda for Toulouse WCRP workshop

Wednesday 11 February 2009

13:30 – 14:00 Registration

Session I: General framework

14:00 – 14:20	Introduction, logistics and objectives of the workshop	<i>E. Brun/S. Planton/ G. Flato/F. Giorgi</i>
14:20 – 14:40	WCRP perspective	<i>G. Asrar</i>
14:40 – 15:20	WCRP/WGCM plans for global projection experiments in support of the AR5 – From decadal prediction to climate projections	<i>G. Flato</i>
15:20 – 15:40	Regional climate change projections: Lessons from the AR4	<i>J. Christensen</i>
15:40 – 16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16:00 – 16:20	Current thinking on coordinated regional projection experiment framework	<i>F. Giorgi</i>
16:20 – 18:30	Preliminary discussion on the coordinated regional projection experiment framework	<i>F. Giorgi (facilitator)</i>

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Session II: Regional climate downscaling techniques

8:30 – 9:10	Regional climate modeling: Status and open issues	<i>F. Giorgi</i>
9:10 – 9:50	Statistical downscaling: Status and open issues	<i>R. Wilby</i>
9:50 – 10:30	Variable resolution and time slice AGCMs: Status and open issues	<i>M. Deque</i>
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
11:00 – 12:30	Discussion: How to best interface RCD techniques within the coordinated regional projection experiment framework	<i>G. Goodess (facilitator)</i>
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	

Session III: Specific applications

14:00 – 14:40	Bridging the gap between climate information and impact/adaptation application	<i>T. Carter</i>
14:40 – 15:10	Use of regional climate models for seasonal prediction – Lessons for climate change application	<i>L. Sun</i>
15:10 – 15:40	A review of regional climate downscaling activities in developing countries	<i>K. Kolli</i>
15:40 – 16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16:00 – 16:20	Climate/impact/information needs in developing countries	<i>B. Hewitson</i>
16:20 – 18:15	Discussion: How to best involve end users and developing country scientists within the regional climate projection experiment framework	<i>B. Hewitson (facilitator)</i>
20:00:	Dinner Restaurant Le 19 19-22, Descente de la Halle aux Poissons Toulouse Tel. : 05 34 31 94 84	

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Session IV: Technical issues

9:00 – 9:30	Data storage and distribution: Lessons from the CMIP3	<i>K. Taylor</i>
9:30 – 10:00	Data storage and distribution: Lessons from PRUDENCE and ENSEMBLES	<i>O. Christensen</i>
10:00 – 10:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
10:30 – 12:45	Final discussion on plan and technical issues concerning the coordinated regional projection experiment framework	<i>C. Jones (facilitator)</i>
12:45 – 13:00	Closing and next steps	<i>F. Giorgi/C. Jones</i>