

EWGLAM FINAL DISCUSSION: MINUTES

Compiled by Andras Horanyi
Date: 1st of October, 9:00 – 10:00
Chairman: Mike Bush

Content of the meeting: The discussion was focused around the review talks (it was found that their quality was quite variable) and the discussion parts of the sessions. The following issues were raised in these points:

- The review talks might cover not only past achievements, but also perspectives (which would span even beyond the European “borders”).
- 2-3 slides per Consortia might be the “mandatory” contribution to the review talks from the LAM Consortia.
- The review talks should concentrate on the contentious issues, problems, future challenges, links with other subjects and maybe anticipate some issues for the discussion part of the sessions.
- For the sessions the chairpersons should be strict with the time limits in order to have really more time for the discussions (which are essential elements of the meeting).
- Maybe each Expert Team (ET) can have an informal meeting as well during the EWGLAM week. This discussion would help in the preparations of the discussions at the sessions.
- The order of the sessions might be changed for the next year.
- The available time per session for the ETs might vary from ET to ET and the required time would be communicated by the ET chairpersons towards the SRNWP PM during the preparations of the meeting.
- The Programme of the meeting should be ready earlier (meaning that the ETs provide proposal earlier than it was the case now).
- Next year the schedule of the meetings might be even tighter (having another session on “applications”). In case of strong time constraints the “introduction to posters” might be abandoned.

At the end of the discussions it was agreed that Andras Horanyi will compile some guidelines (based on the issues raised above) for the review talks and the sessions. These guidelines will serve as a support for the Expert Teams in the organisation of the next year event.

Presentations: It was agreed that as it was already the case last year, no proceedings will be compiled, however the presentations (in pdf format) will be put on the SRNWP webpage.

Next meetings: The 2010 meeting will be organised by the Met Office (4-7 October). According to the traditions the 2011 meetings might be organised by a “new” country (Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Iceland, Latvia, Luxemburg, Russia, Serbia). Taking into account the financial resources and the EWGLAM history of the countries it was said that maybe Estonia would be ready to volunteer for the organisation. Since only preliminary discussions were taken part until now with Estonia, the details will be discussed in the forthcoming months. If these “negotiations” will not be successful, than possibly other new country will be contacted. If it is not successful than the “normal” order will be recalled, i.e. FMI will be asked to organise the 2011 event. All this will be settled by correspondence and Andras Horanyi will be in charge of it.

The participants warmly thanked the excellent organisation of the meeting and the hospitality of the Greek colleagues.