

INTER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL CHANGE RESEARCH

36th Meeting of the IAI Executive Council Montevideo, Uruguay 14 June 2013

Action list

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1. The EC approved the Agenda of its Thirty Sixth Meeting.

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2. The EC approved the action list of its Thirty Fifth Meeting.

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3.The EC established an ad hoc committee to elaborate the Terms of Reference for the CoP Advisory Committee for Science-Policy Liaison. Members of this committee are Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Uruguay, the USA. The Chair of the Standing Committee for Rules and Procedures, the Assistant Director for Science-Policy Liaison and the Chair of the SAC will participate as ex- officio members. The EC decided that the ToRs should be ready by the end of 2013. The ToRs and a list of candidates nominated to the Advisory Committee will be presented at CoP 22. The Rules for operation for this committee will be also presented at that time.

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4.The EC debated ideas for the Terms of Reference of the CoP Advisory Committee for Science-Policy Liaison. The main ideas to guide the design of the ToRs were: provide input to the IAI on effective science-policy integration on global change without interference in internal political processes of member states; help the IAI to make science useful for decision and policy making in global change related issues from multiple sectors; members of the Advisory Committee should be representative of multiple sectors and regions, membership in the committee should be by invitation and should not involve a voting process.

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5.Regarding the strategies for strengthening member country involvement and IAI funding, the ideas resulting from the brainstorming exercise in the EC were: engage members of the SAC in different IAI activities; using bilateral agreements with national funding agencies to help develop multilateral co-funding of IAI research projects, have

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scientists from CoP member countries be invited to be observers on the SAC, facilitate regional dialogues on funding global change science between national funding agencies including countries that do not have funding agencies; national efforts to support young scientists through IAI scientific networks.

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6. The EC will analyze the need for modifying the IAI Strategic Plan in the light of the new initiatives arising in the IAI and the global environmental research landscape.