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Buenos Aires, Argentina
June 30 and July 2, 2004**

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**11th Meeting of the IAI Conference of the Parties (CoP)
June 30 and July 2, 2004 – Buenos Aires, Argentina**

AGENDA

Wednesday – June 30, 2004

Day 1

- Afternoon session (02:00 – 06:30) –

02:00 -02:30 Registration

Opening ceremony

Organizational Issues:

- *Election of the CoP Bureau*

Approval of the Agenda

Approval of the Report of the 10th Meeting of the CoP

04:00 – 04:15 Coffee Break

Presentations:

- *Parties to the Agreement*
- *Observers*

Report of the Credentials Committee

Closed session to address the IAI Director Recruitment Process

Welcome Dinner

Friday – July 2, 2004

Day 2

- Morning session (08:30 – 12:00) –

Report of the IAI Directorate:

Gustavo V. Necco

- *Summary of the presentation made during the 19th EC meeting;*
- *Annual Program for FY 2004/2005;*
- *Budget for FY 2004/2005;*
- *Country contribution 2004/2007.*

IAI External Review Committee

Report of the EC Chair:

Antônio Mac Dowell

- *Activities charged to the EC by the CoP at its last meeting;*
- *EC activities, actions, and decisions;*
- *Issues brought forward from the 18th and 19th EC meetings.*

Approval of items forwarded from the 18th and 19th EC meetings

Antônio Mac Dowell

10:15 – 10:30 Coffee Break

Consideration of Forum outcomes

CoP Chair

Report of the Committee to select final candidates for the election of the IAI Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) member

Committee Chair

12:00 – 02:00 Lunch

- **Afternoon Session (02:00 – 06:30)** –

Election of the new SAC members

Election of EC members (*)

04:00 – 04:15 Coffee Break

Approval of the Action List of day 1

Future meetings and sites

Adjourn

(*) After the CoP Meeting, the new EC will meet to elect its Bureau.

1. Opening Session

Ambassador Ms. Maria Esther Bondanza Director General of Environmental Affairs of the Argentinean Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Eng. Agueda Menvielle, SECyT International Relations Director, on behalf of the Government of Argentina, opened the Eleventh Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP) and welcomed the CoP delegates, observers, and members of the IAI staff to the meeting.

2. Election of Bureau

The CoP elected the following members as the Bureau for its Eleventh meeting: Agueda Menvielle from Argentina as Chair, Nuris Orihuela from Venezuela as the First Vice-Chair, and Michel Béland from Canada as the Second Vice-Chair. (<i>Action 1, Day 1</i>).
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3. Approval of the Agenda

The CoP approved the agenda of its Eleventh Meeting with the following modifications:

- a) The Report of the EC Chair will be presented together with the approval of items forwarded from the 18th and 19th EC meetings during the morning session of day 2.
- b) The closed session previously aimed at considering the Director's Performance Evaluation will address the IAI Director Recruitment Process. (*Action 2 – Day 1*)

4. Approval of the Report of the 10th CoP Meeting

The CoP approved the report of its Tenth Meeting without modifications. (*Action 3 – Day 1*)

5. Country Presentations

The CoP Chair asked each Party to the IAI present at the meeting to introduce themselves. Each country delegation began their presentation by thanking Argentina for their hospitality and then made a brief presentation concerning global change aspects in their countries. The observers also described the work of their institutions related to global environmental change issues.

Participants at the meeting were:

CoP Country Representatives

- Argentina: Carlos Ereño, Águeda Menvielle, Diego Malpede, Mónica Silenzi
- Brazil: Antônio Mac Dowell
- Canada: Michel Béland, Louis Grittani
- Chile: Samoel Ossa
- Costa Rica: Eladio Zárate
- Cuba: Bárbara I. Garea M.
- Dominican Rep.: Mario René Hernández León
- Ecuador: Alfonso Morales Suarez
- Guatemala: W. Bech C. Herbert
- Jamaica: Michael Taylor
- México: Adrián Fernández Bremauntz
- Panama: Soraya Cano, Juan Pablo Mora
- Paraguay: Genaro Coronel Martinez
- United States: Margaret Leinen, Paul Filmer, Vanessa Richardson, Louis Brown, Barbara De Rosa-Joynt
- Uruguay: Walkiria Olano
- Venezuela: Nuris Orihuela

Observers

- Jorge V. Crisci, Museo de La Plata, Argentina and Representative of DIVERSITAS.
- Armando Rabuffetti, Regional Director, *Instituto Nacional de Investigación Agropecuaria* (INIA), Uruguay;
- Benedito Rosa do Esirito Santo, IICA (*Instituto Interamericano de Cooperación para a Agricultura*), Argentina;
- Ramón Sonzini, WMO Director for the Americas, Paraguay;
- Carolina Vera, CLIVAR VAMOS Panel Co-Chair.

Special Invitees

- Walter Fernández Rojas (IAI SAC Chair);
- Alejandro Castellanos Villegas (IAI SAC Vice-Chair).

IAI Directorate Staff

- Gustavo Necco (IAI Director),
- Gerhard Breulmann (Scientific Officer),
- Silvio Bianchi (Financial Officer),
- Marcella Ohira Schwarz, (Training, Communications, and Outreach Officer)
- Eduardo Banús (CRN Manager),
- Thelma Krug (Detached Scientist),
- Luciana O. Q. Ribeiro (Assistant to the Director),
- Elvira Gentile (Support staff), and
- Paula Richter (Support staff).

Local Staff

(Secretariat for Science, Technology and Innovative Production - SECyT)

- Sergio Soria
- Julieta Tabares
- Carolina Milia
- Mónica Mariani
- Marisa Casella
- Juan Grings

The IAI Director informed that Dr. Costa Posada, Director of IDEAM in Colombia, apologized for not being able to attend the CoP meeting. However, as per the request of Dr. Posada, Dr. Necco expressed the interest of Colombia in the IAI and informed that, although Colombia could not pay 2001 and 2002 contributions in arrears because of restrictions in their budget, they would pay this year's contribution and were already planning to pay next year's one.

6. Report of the Credentials Committee

The Accreditation Committee, composed of Argentina (Carlos Ereño), Canada (Michel Belánd), and Costa Rica (Eládio Zárata), informed the CoP that 16 delegations had submitted the official credentials to participate in the meeting: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Uruguay, the USA, and Venezuela. (*Action 4 – Day 1*)

7. Closed Session

The CoP held a closed session to address the IAI Director Recruitment Process.

8. Report of the IAI Directorate

The report of the IAI Directorate comprised 4 items:

- A) Summary of the presentation made during the 19th EC meeting
- B) Annual Program for FY 2004/2005
- C) Budget for FY 2004/2005
- D) Country contribution 2004/2007

A) Summary of the presentation made during the 19th EC meeting

The IAI Director, Gustavo Necco, informed that his report would cover the period from the Xth CoP Meeting held in Boulder in June 2003 until that moment, which would consist of a general overview and a report on Communications, Training and Education and a report on science by the IAI Scientific Officer, Gerhard Breulmann. He added that questions about the Financial and CRN reports (Documents 8_ECXIX/CoPXI/DWD/English/29 June 2004 and Document 7_ECXIX/CoPXI/DID/07 June 2004, respectively) could be asked to the Financial Officer and the CRN Program Manager, both present at the meeting.

Gustavo Necco informed IAI plans, actions, and activities were based on the six major IAI's strategies that had been proposed by the SAC and endorsed by the ECXVII6 plus recommendations made by the Working Group for Increasing Country Commitment. Following previous EC recommendations on country outstanding and current contributions, the IAI Director stated that letters had been sent to all Member Countries and that some countries had been contacted directly. Response to these actions has been quite positive, some countries have paid their contributions and some others have expressed their willingness to pay. This response was also reflected at CoP XI, with 16 Member States present.

As to global change research country priorities, the IAI Directorate had received replies from 10 countries: Canada, Chile, Cuba, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Uruguay, and the USA. All responses indicated as priority **Theme I** of the Science Agenda with particular emphasis in the area of *scenarios, impacts, vulnerability and adaptation*. The second most frequent subjects were those related to **Theme IV** with emphasis on *health and environmental issues and vulnerability of human settlements*. Then, **Theme II** focusing on *impacts of global change in biodiversity* and **Theme III** with some emphasis on *coastal processes*. General comments on the Science Agenda were:

- more integration of the different dimensions of global change;
- more relevance to education and training; and
- greater attention and support for Inter-American science assessments, as the bridging mechanisms between science and policy.

In order to increase the visibility of IAI, during the period covered by the report, the Directorate staff visited different countries (Member Countries visited: Argentina, Canada, Chile, Brazil, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Peru, the USA; Other countries: Germany, Italy, South Africa, Switzerland), participated in several events, and delivered lectures. A detailed list of which is in

Appendix I, Document 5 (5_ECXIX/CoPXI/DID/English/24 June 2004). The *Young Scientists Global Change Conference*, November 16-18, 2003, Trieste, Italy, was particularly important to IAI visibility; young scientists from the Americas supported by the IAI received awards during this conference. As to local visibility, a series of conferences on subjects related to global environmental change issues were and would continue being delivered, in Portuguese, by invited Brazilian scientists related to IAI at the INPE's Auditorium.

The presentation followed with a list of agreements which had been signed or were under discussion with other institutions:

- MoU with CIIFEN (Centro Internacional de Investigación del Fenómeno El Niño), Ecuador, signed on 9 June 2004.
- Two MoUs were signed with collaborative institutions, co-organizers, and sponsors of the Global Environmental Change Institute on Globalization and Food Systems: Scientific Workshop” (Costa Rica, October 24 – November 6, 2004)
- MoU with WMO under discussion.
- MoU with APN in preparation.
- Interest of IILA (Instituto Italo Latinoamericano) to become an associate of the Institute.
- Discussion with INPE to have CPTEC/INPE as an Affiliated Research Institution. A proposal to be presented to EC/CoP meetings.
- Initial contacts with the MIT Joint Program on the Science and Policy of Global Change
- Initial contacts and exchange of information with the International Virtual Institute on Global Change of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (IVIG/COPPE/UFRJ).
- MoU with DIVERSITAS under discussion.

Gustavo Necco summarized the IAI Training, Communication and Outreach Activities.

IAI Training Institutes

IAI Training Institutes are usually 2 week-courses with the following characteristics:

- Themes of Regional/Global Importance with strong Policy Relevance;
- Needing both natural and social sciences perspectives;
- 1-2 Coordinators (science leaders) + Invited Guest Lecturers;
- Practical Exercises;
- Location: IAI member countries
- Based on Partnerships.

The IAI Institutes have explored a “niche” in global change research (model to other organizations) and increased IAI profile in several fronts (small countries, policy communities).

Institutes implemented in 2003 (Appendix III – Document 5)

THEME	PARTICIPANTS	COUNTRIES
Climate Vulnerability	24	13
LUCC/Amazon Region	21	5
Global Warming/Climate Change	18	11

These Institutes were ranked by all participants as “Excellent” or “Very good”. Co-sponsorship by other organizations added up to US\$ 85 K to the IAI budget for Institutes.

IAI Training Institutes in 2004

Innovations and Strengthening: Collaboration with partner organizations, fundraising (through partner organizations), strong training program and science-policy interface.

- IAI-IHDP 2004 Global Environmental Change Institute on Globalization and Food Systems
- Scientific Workshop and Science-Policy Forum (October 24-November 6, 2004, Nicoya and San José, Costa Rica);
- IAI Institute on Urbanization and Global Environmental Change in Latin America (September 27-October 8, 2004, Mexico City, Mexico)

IAI Training Institutes in 2005 (planned)

- Vulnerability Associated with Climate Variability and Change in South America (Paraguay)
- Climate and Health (Jamaica)

Funding: A proposal requesting US\$ 300K was submitted to NSF last April. Other fundraising efforts would be carried out throughout the year.

Support to other capacity building activities

- 2005 Open Meeting of the Human Dimensions Community (October 10-14, 2005, Bonn, Germany)
- First DIVERSITAS Open Science Meeting (November 2005, Oaxaca, Mexico).

Communications and Outreach

- Distribution of IAI Anniversary Book: 1,300 books (English) and 1,000 (Spanish)
- Publication of the Annual Report 2002-2003
- Newsletter
- Production of and update of IAI Info sheets
- Listserv: distribution of about 28 announcements in last 6 months to over 3,000 people
- New design of the IAI website
- IAI Annual Report 2003-2004 (to be available by December 2004)
- Synthesis of ISP Program: to be published by December 2004
- Science-Policy Forum Report: expected outcome of Institute on Food Systems and Globalization; to be published by early 2005

Newsletter

The Director reported that the 2003 releases had been issued on time. Due to financial shortages, the Directorate was forced to reduce the frequency of the Newsletter from quarterly deliveries to three numbers per year for 2004, in order to maintain the costs within the available funds without affecting the quality, presentation or content of the publication.

IAI Data and Information System

- Full upgrade of the system in ORNL (Oak Ridge National Laboratory) in order to
 - Make the system more "user-friendly"
 - Participate in an international consortium of projects who share costs and benefits

- Integrate the new DIS with external systems, like LBA-DIS (Large Scale Biosphere Atmosphere Experiment in Amazonia) and NBII (National Biological Information Infrastructure)
- Preserve standard protocols and formats used worldwide by different institutions.

Current DIS metadata is now integrated with NASA's Global Change Master Directory (GCMD)

New system planned to be liberated by January 2005. Two day workshop with PI/CoPIs (funds permitting).

- Continuous updating of security software
- New design of the website

Administrative matters

- Performance Appraisal Reports
- Improvement of internal controls and administrative processes
- Project costs accounting (US GAAP)

Internal issues

- Contracts of local staff: Gustavo Necco summarized the situation and explained that a solution was not easy to find because of Brazilian law constraints.
- Detachment of Dr. Raquel Paviotti

The Director informed Dr. Paviotti was collaborating with the IAI Director on different scientific and administrative issues as well as fundraising among Brazilian organizations. She has also prepared a chronological record of IAI activities in the past 10 years.

- Consolidating IAI's internal procedures and structure

Mobilizing resources and support

Standard strategy

1. **A consistent profile** (*clear mission and objectives that can be shared with potential contributors*)
2. **Intensive publicity/visibility program** (*regional recognition and credibility*)
3. **Looking for partnerships proactively** (*synergetic common activities and shared objectives*)
4. **Leveraging on the funds we have to get more** (*strengthening the financial base*)

Future activities

- In the Science area: finalization of SGP-I, implementation of SGP-II, finalization of CRN, planning of regular annual calls for small grants and the future CRN-II (All actions related to strategies 1 and 2). Finalization of the scientific synthesis of the Initial Science Program (ISP) (Action related to strategy 4).
- Continuation of training activities: two capacity building institutes in 2005. A third training event would be explored under the framework of the 2005 Open Meeting of the HD community in October 2005. (Actions related to strategies 3 and 5).
- New communication and outreach materials and the publication of the synthesis of the Initial Science Program (Related to strategy 6).

- Strengthening of DIS and Updating of ITC soft and hard (Actions related to strategy 5 and 6).
- To continue the preparation of National portfolios showing benefits received by the Member for its participation in the IAI (Recommendation of EC-XVIII)
- To give high priority to resources mobilization (Related to strategy 6).

Science Activities

The Scientific Officer (SO), Gerhard Breulmann, reported on the science activities (related to strategies 1 and 2) and provided an update on the projects under the first round of the Small Grant Program (SGP-I), the launch of the SGP-II, and preparations for CRN-II. He informed that 3 programs were active at that moment: SGP I and II and the CRN.

SGP I

- Total grant US\$ 380 K
- First step in the 2nd phase of IAI programmatic development leading to CRN II (assembling of new groups, aimed at the development of larger networks in the mid-term)
- Supports 16 one-year projects (max. US\$ 30K)
- Program in its final stage (Final Report due in Jan. 05)
- 14 Final Reports received (as of 2.07.2004)

Gerhard Breulmann said that although SGP I provided only very modest funds, some remarkable results had been produced, and provided examples of some of them.

SGP II (Program started in February 2004)

- 88 proposals received (US\$ 2,512,527)
- 48 proposals ranked as 'fundable' (US\$ 1,369,361)
- 22 proposals approved for funding (US\$ 628,000)
- Success Rate 'Fundable' – 'Funded' = ~ 46%

No proposals were submitted from Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Panama, Paraguay and Venezuela.

The SO underscored it was the first time 2 joint 'inter-regional' projects with sister-network APN were submitted to the IAI. Both groups intend to prepare larger scale proposals under the APN 'CAPaBLE' and IAI CRN II programs.

Regular/Annual Calls for SGP

The SO informed the SGP was planned to be launched annually, except in CRN years, which would have several advantages: a) the scientific community could count on annual calls; b) annually changing emphasis would be possible (scientific priorities); 'Timing' - it would be possible to prepare all steps of the review process well in advance.

CRN I

- Projects enter(ed) final year
- Discussion (SAC) on how to synthesize CRN I. The SAC Chair had presented various options to the EC

The SO gave examples of scientific achievements of different CRN projects. He also mentioned detailed statistics had been compiled and presented at the EC meeting by the CRN Program Manager (Document 7_ECXIX/CoPXI/DID/07 June 2004).

CRN II

- Exact Timeline to be determined (launch last quarter 2004?)
- Some specifics:
 - Emphasis on ‘new’ topics and applied science
 - Announcement & proposal would take into consideration the IAI member country research priorities identified in this meeting
 - 4 or 5 year projects, max. US\$ 200K/a (allows 10-12 projects)
 - Minimum participation of 4 IAI member countries
 - Conditional Funding pending satisfactory mid-term evaluation (after 2 or 3 yrs).

Other activities

- Young Scientists Conference, Trieste, Italy on 16-19 November 2003, co-funded by the IAI. A young scientist involved in a SGP I project received the Paul Crutzen Award and one IAI funded project was awarded a recognition.
- Millennium Ecosystem Assessment. The IAI was contributing to the “Millennium Ecosystem Assessment” as official Affiliated Scientific Organization (ASO) – this means that the IAI was a Focal Point (SO) and contributes to the MA review through IAI scientists review chapters, reviews compiled by Focal Point and sent to MA. IAI and individual IAI reviewers would be acknowledged in the MA volumes.
- UNFCCC Workshop on the preparation of national communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention, Manila, 26-30 April 2004. A presentation on IAI was made by Dr. Linda Stevenson, APN Programme Manager for Scientific Affairs.

B) Annual Program for FY 2004/2005

The IAI Director, Gustavo Necco, presented the document “Annual Program for July 2004 – June 2005” (document: 10_CoPXI/DWD/English/17 June 2004), which covered: Institutional Activities, Scientific Programs, Capacity Building Activities, Co-Sponsorship (meetings/ scientific or training events; Relations with other institutions, Fund raising), Outreach and Communications, Data and Information System, Administrative and Financial Aspects.

C) Budget for FY 2004/2005

The Alternative Core Budget Request for FY 2004-2005 (document: 8_ECXIX/CoPXI/DWD/English/29 June 2004) was prepared by the Financial Officer, Silvio Bianchi. This document contains: Budget request, Table of country contributions, and a Cash-flow analysis. A summary of the document circulated during the meeting follows:

Core Budget 2004/2005 - Table of Contributions

COUNTRY	%	CONTRIBUTION
Argentina	4.94	45,000
Bolivia	0.07	5,000
Brazil	8.63	80,000
Canada	12.47	115,000
Chile	0.54	5,000

Colombia	0.95	10,000
Costa Rica	0.13	5,000
Cuba	0.13	5,000
Dominican Republic	0.18	5,000
Ecuador	0.18	5,000
Guatemala	0.13	5,000
Jamaica	0.18	5,000
Mexico	6.13	55,000
Panama	0.13	5,000
Paraguay	0.20	5,000
Peru	0.41	5,000
United States	61.11	555,000
Uruguay	0.26	5,000
Venezuela	3.23	30,000
FUND TOTAL	100 %	945,000

Comparison of Requests

CATEGORY	2004 – 2005		DIFFERENCE
	ALTERNATIVE	ORIGINAL	
Salaries & Benefits	564,431	624,120	59,689
Staff Travel	79,100	88,700	9,600
Equipment	10,000	9,630	370
Dissemination Activities	72,000	72,000	-
Director's Fund	60,000	55,000	5,000
Other	115,336	95,550	19,786
TOTAL	900,867	945,000	44,133

Comparison of Costs

CATEGORY	ACTUAL EXPENSES REV.		REQ.
	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005
Salaries & Benefits	466,939	493,468	564,431
Staff Travel	81,768	76,950	79,100
Equipment	15,330	12,042	10,000
Dissemination Activities	45,158	85,765	72,000
Director's Fund	61,769	60,201	60,000
Other	92,229	110,327	115,336
TOTAL	763,193	838,753	900,867

Evolution of Expenses

ALT. REQ.

CATEGORY	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007
Salaries & Benefits	564,431	572,961	581,491
Staff Travel	79,100	79,100	79,100
Equipment	10,000	10,000	10,000
Dissemination Activities	72,000	72,000	72,000
Director's Fund	60,000	60,000	60,000
Other	116,336	115,336	115,336
TOTAL	900,867	909,397	913,927

Core Budget – Cash Flow

Ideal Scenario

	2004/2005	2005/2006	2006/2007
Initial Cash Balance	0	48.133	87.736
Country Contributions	945.000	945.000	945.000
Bank Interests	4.000	4.000	4.000
Expenses	-900.867	-909.397	-913.927
Surplus/Deficit	48.133	39.603	35.073
Final Cash Balance	48.133	87.736	122.809

Initial Cash Reserve:	500.000		
Cumulative Cash Reserve:	548.133	587.736	622.809

Most Probable Scenario

	2004/2005	2005/2006	2006/2007
Initial Cash Balance	0		
Country Contributions	812.700	812.700	812.700
Bank Interests	3.000	3.000	3.000
Expenses	-900.867	-909.397	-913.927
Surplus/Deficit	-85.167	-93.697	-98.227
Final Cash Balance			

Initial Cash Reserve:	500.000		
Cumulative Cash Reserve:	414.833	321.136	222.909

Historical Scenario

	2004/2005	2005/2006	2006/2007
Initial Cash Balance	0	-142.867	-294.264
Country Contributions	756.000	756.000	756.000
Bank Interests	2.000	2.000	2.000
Expenses	-900.867	-909.397	-913.927
Surplus/Deficit	-142.867	-151.397	-155.927
Final Cash Balance	-142.867	-294.264	-450.191

Initial Cash Reserve:	500.000		
Cumulative Cash Reserve:	357.133	205.736	49.809

D) Country contribution 2004/2007

This issue was discussed and decisions were made during the presentation of the EC Chair (See point 9, C) in this report).

9. Report of the EC Chair

Antônio Mac Dowell, IAI EC Chair, reported to the CoP Representatives on the following issues:

- A) Activities charged to the EC by the CoP at its last meeting
- B) EC activities, actions, and decisions
- C) Issues brought forward from the 18th and 19th EC meetings

A) Activities charged to the EC by the CoP at its last meeting

- Action 7 – Day 2, CoP X (Boulder, USA):

The CoP established an “Ad Hoc Committee on Relations with Member States” to work with and assist the Director to:

- identify appropriate contacts at all levels, including the policy level, in Member States for IAI interactions with Member States on financial and participation issues;
- advise the Director as to the most effective ways to approach Member States on these issues; and
- provide direct support for and participate with the Director in these interactions, when appropriate.

The CoP requests the EC Bureau to select this Committee, in consultation with the IAI Director, with the understanding that the Committee would include one member each from the CoP, the EC, the SAC, and scientific participants in IAI programs.

- Action 12 – Day 2, CoP X (Boulder, USA):

The CoP agreed to consider the issue of changing the frequency of meetings at its next meeting and requested the Ad Hoc Committee on Relations with Member States, with the assistance of the Rules Committee, to provide an analysis of the consequences of any change, reporting progress to the next EC meeting.

Related to these two CoP actions, Antônio Mac Dowell informed that the composition of the *ad hoc* Committee was as follows:

- Representative of the CoP: Adrian Fernández Bremauntz
- Representative of the EC: Antônio Mac Dowell
- Representative of the SAC: Michael Brklacich
- PIs participating in IAI Programs: Michael McClain and Alberto Piola.

The Committee held a meeting in São José dos Campos, February 2004, and two teleconferences. Adrian Fernández Bremauntz was elected Chair of the Committee. At their meeting, the Committee considered it was not timely to make changes in the frequency of the meetings, which was reported to the EC.

- Action 8 – Day 2, CoP X (Boulder, USA):

The CoP suggested that the SAC and EC consider a meeting jointly at the next EC to discuss the Scientific Agenda and Member Country priorities.

To address this suggestion, the EC and SAC Chairs met on December 3, 2003 in San José, Costa Rica. The SAC Chair understood that before holding such meeting, it would be appropriate to send a letter to the Member Countries asking about their global change research priorities. (Please see bullet 8 in the report of the Directorate in this document.) Identification of country priorities was further discussed during the Science Forum held on July 1, 2004, in Buenos Aires. The EC and SAC Chairs would hold their meeting when the responses of all the countries were complete and available. Several delegations present at the meeting agreed on the importance of a greater interaction between the SAC and the EC/CoP. During the meeting, a letter from the SAC to the EC Chair was circulated among participants.

B) EC activities, actions, and decisions

EC's activities, actions and decisions in the period between the 10th and the 11th CoP:

- Action 1 – Day 2, EC XVIII (San José, Costa Rica):
The EC endorsed the SAC recommendation and approved the 22 proposals, totaling US\$ 612,701, selected for funding under the second round of the Small Grants Program (SGP II) –see table in Addendum, Document 6.
- Action 7 – Day 1, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The IAI Director informed the EC that he would resign on December 31, 2004.
- Action 4 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC requested the FAC to study different alternatives for the calculation of Country Contributions.
- Action 7 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC requested the FAC to make an analysis of the efficiency of the Institute as regards funds management to be presented to the next EC Meeting.

The EC Chair informed this action had been taken upon the request of the Cuban delegation to assess the IAI efficiency and efficacy vs. its expenses.

- Action 8 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC will forward to the SAC the proposal submitted by the delegate of Brazil requesting that the IAI consider accepting CPTEC/INPE as an Affiliated Institution.

This issue would be forwarded to the CoP after the SAC analyses it, as stated in Article X of the Agreement of Montevideo.

- Action 9 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC asked the IAI Directorate to inform the IAI national representatives about the proposals submitted to IAI calls by scientists from their countries.

This decision had been made following the concern of the Mexican delegation, and seconded by Cuba and other countries, that country representatives and governments are not aware of the IAI input to science in their countries.

- Action 12 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):

The EC recommended the IAI Directorate to make a last effort to recover the CRN 038 project funds before initiating legal action against CATHALAC and inform the EC about the efforts made.

The delegate from Panama informed that during the EC Meeting, the delegation had reported this issue to the Panamanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Ministry assured them they would take all the necessary steps to gather information and find a solution to the problem as soon as possible.

The CoP recommended the IAI Directorate to make a last effort to recover the CRN 038 project funds before initiating legal actions against CATHALAC. The delegate from Panama informed that the Panamanian Ministry of Foreign Relations would follow up this matter. (**Action 10 – Day 2**)

- Action 14 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC acknowledged the offer of the delegate from Canada to host the 20th EC and 12th CoP Meetings in Montreal or Québec City, Québec, Canada.

C) Issues brought forward from the 18th and 19th EC meetings

- Action 5 – Day 1, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC approved the document from the Standing Committee on Rules & Procedures regarding one additional function and some clarifications of the existing text in the *Functions of the EC Bureau* approved in EC-XVIII in San José de Costa Rica. The Committee stated that it is not necessary to make any changes to the EC Rules.

Antônio Mac Dowell explained that, following a proposal of the Cuban delegate, a document had been approved at the meeting in Costa Rica defining four functions of the EC Bureau. The Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures analyzed the eventual need for changes in the Rules of Procedure and prepared a report (doc. 11_ECXIX/DID/English/29 June 2004), which was approved at EC XIX and submitted to CoP XI.

The CoP approved the report of the IAI Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures (Document 11) (**Action 1 – Day 2**)

- External Evaluation Committee

The CoP decided that the External Evaluation Committee would continue working on the evaluation of the IAI which would include CRN I. Members of this committee should not be or have been involved in any way in IAI activities. (**Action 9 – Day 2**)

- Action 1 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC approved the reduction in the frequency of the IAI Newsletter (from 4 to 3 issues per year) for the current year. The EC asked a group composed of the IAI Newsletter Editorial Board, the Financial Officer, and a CoP member to analyze this issue and report back to the next EC.

The EC Chair asked the CoP to elect a CoP member to be part of the group. The delegate from Costa Rica suggested that the text in the second line of this EC action be modified as follows: “for year 2004.” instead of “...for the current year.” No objections were made to this suggestion.

The CoP elected Barbara Garea as the CoP member that would be part of the group composed of the IAI Newsletter Editorial Board, the Financial Officer and a CoP member to analyze the issue of the IAI Newsletter distribution and report back to the next EC. (**Action 13 – Day 2**)

- Action 2 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC approved and will forward to the CoP the *Alternative Core Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2004/2005* distributed during the meeting.

The Original Core Budget request had been prepared by the IAI Directorate based on an increase in country contributions. An alternative Core Budget request was prepared during the EC meeting after the EC decision of maintaining the level of contributions until 2005. (see Action 3 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina) below)

The CoP approved the Alternative Core Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2004/2005. (**Action 2 – Day 2**)

- Action 3 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC approved and will forward to the CoP the recommendation of its Bureau to maintain the current values of Member Country Contributions for the next period 2004/2005.

The CoP approved to maintain the values of current Member Country Contributions for the next period 2004/2005. (**Action 3 – Day 2**)

- Action 5 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC approved and will forward to the CoP the *Annual Program* (document 10).

The CoP approved the IAI Annual Program 2004/2005 (Document 10) (**Action 5 – Day 2**)

- Action 6 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC approved and will forward to the CoP the Document *Proposed Principles regarding In-kind Contributions* (Document 14)

The CoP approved the Document Proposed Principles regarding In-kind Contributions (Document 14) (**Action 4 – Day 2**)

- Action 10 – Day 2, EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):
The EC approved and will forward to the CoP “Option 2” from the Document *IAI Director Recruitment* presented by the EC Bureau.

At the 19th Meeting of the Executive Council on 30 June 2004, it was recommended that the option presented below was an adequate timeline for the recruitment and election of a new Director of the IAI, based on discussions with the EC, a review of the Standing Rules of the Conference of the Parties of the IAI, and other considerations. This recommendation includes the proposed timing of the next Conference of the Parties meeting.

The option presented is to hold the CoP in mid-February 2005 (possibly in conjunction with the EC which would be postponed from December 2004). It should be noted that the CoP was

originally expected to approve two items in 2005, the Budget and Core Contributions for 2005/2006 and the CRN II awards. While it was determined that it would be possible to have the Budget and Core Contribution schedule prepared early for consideration by the CoP, it would be virtually impossible for the IAI to have the CRN proposals received and reviewed prior to this date since the Call for Proposals is not expected until January 2005. Therefore, in conjunction with the adoption of this option, the CoP would need to delegate authority to approve the CRN II awards to the Executive Council. The Executive Council meeting could be held in early Summer 2005 to allow approval of these awards in a timely manner. The following scenario is built around a hypothetical CoP date of mid-February 2005. It is possible the dates of the meeting could be as late as early March. With the election of a Director in February or March 2005, it is anticipated that the new Director would be able to assume their responsibilities in June 2005, which is within the rules discussed at the end of this document regarding the appointment of an Interim Director for six months.

The timeline presented below is fairly flexible with the only requirements being notification of the CoP 90 days prior to the meeting and the nominations required 45 days prior to the election.
Approximate Dates and Actions

July 1, 2004: CoP selects IAI Director Search Committee and endorses timeline

July 1-September 1: Search Committee

- discusses the position description and proposed modifications based on activities and priorities for the Director
- develops proposed announcement for the position vacancy
- develops list of venues in which the position vacancy will be announced
- circulates proposed position description, vacancy announcement and venues to CoP for comment

September 1: Vacancy announcement is posted with deadline in mid-November 2004, for submission of applications to country representatives

November 18, 2004: *Rule 70 “The meeting of the Conference of the Parties at which the election of the Director is to be held shall be called with advance notice of at least 90 days.”*

December 2004: Search Committee reports progress to EC XX

[It is possible that the EC XX meeting could be postponed to coincide with the CoP XII meeting in 2005]

December 31, 2004: *Rule 68, “The Parties shall nominate candidates 45 days prior to the date of the election...”*

January 2005: Search Committee reviews nominations to prepare short list

January 2005: If necessary, conduct telephone interviews.

Mid-February 2005: Search Committee interview of final candidates

February 2005: *Election by CoP of IAI Director*

A related issue is the nomination of an Interim Director. The IAI Director Search Committee could be responsible for identifying possible candidates for the position of Interim Director. It should be noted that per Rule 70, *“When the position of Director becomes vacant before the term has been completed, said position shall be occupied on an interim basis by the individual designated by the Executive Council for a maximum period of up to six months.”*

The CoP approved “Option 2” from the Document IAI Director Recruitment forwarded by the EC. (**Action 6 – Day 2**)

The CoP elected 3 delegates to compose the IAI Director Recruitment Committee: Carlos Ereño from Argentina, Adrián Fernández Bremauntz from Mexico, and Margaret Leinen from the USA. Members of this committee will also be the EC Chair and a SAC member. (*Action 7 – Day 2*)

- **Action 11 – Day 2 EC XIX (Buenos Aires, Argentina):**

The EC asked the delegations from Canada and USA to draft a letter - to be approved by the CoP and sent to Brazilian high-level authorities - asking them and the IAI Directorate to find a solution to the problem of local staff salaries.

Antônio Mac Dowell asked to record that the Brazilian delegation would not take part in the discussion of this matter. The Brazilian delegation left the meeting room. The IAI Director was requested to provide details on the problem with the local staff salaries. The CoP analyzed several alternatives for a solution as soon as possible. The discussion resulted in the following action:

The CoP decided that the delegates from Canada, Cuba, and the US would draft a letter to be submitted to the EC about the problem with the IAI local staff salaries. The letter will then be sent by the EC to the appropriate Brazilian authorities. This action will be taken within 2 months from the meeting. The delegate from Brazil did not take part in the discussion of this issue. (*Action 14 – Day 2*)

10. Election of SAC members

At its 19th meeting, the EC approved the composition of a Committee to select final candidates for the election of five SAC members. The group was composed of one member of the EC (Paul Filmer from the USA), one member of the CoP (Nuris Orihuella from Venezuela), one member of the SAC (Alejandro Castellanos), and one scientist from Argentina (Dr. Armando Bertranou, SECyT).

The Committee analyzed the CVs of the following scientists:

- Nominated by the Parties: Michael Apps, Vicente Barros, José Armando Boninsegna, Rene Capote López, Telma Castro, Walter Fernandez Rojas, Rana Fine, Carlos Gay Garcia, Silvio Jablonski, Roger Kasperson, Luiz Fernando Loureiro Legey, Mario Nuñez, José Rutllant Costa, and Jaime Urrutia Fucugauchi.
- No candidates were nominated by the Associates.

The selection criteria applied by the Committee were based on the statements made in Article VII paragraph 2 of the Agreement Establishing the IAI and in Chapter XI of the Rules of the CoP.

The Chair of the Nominating Committee, Alejandro Castellanos, presented to the CoP XI the candidates the group recommended:

- Vicente Ricardo Barros, René Pablo Capote López, Walter Fernández Rojas, Rana Fine, and Luiz Fernando Loureiro Legey;

The Chair of the Standing Committee for Rules and Procedures read the rules that applied. There were 16 accredited Parties present at the eleventh meeting of the CoP, thus to be elected the candidates had to obtain 9 or more votes each.

The CoP designated the representative of Jamaica (Michael Taylor) and the representative of Panama (Soraya Cano) to serve as tellers of the election.

The CoP elected the following scientists to be part of the SAC: Walter Fernández Rojas, Luiz Fernando L. Legey, Rana A. Fine, Vicente R. Barros and René Pablo Capote López. (*Action 11 – Day 2*)

The CoP asked the Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures to draft rules pertaining to nomination procedures for the Scientific Advisory Committee and to present them to the EC at its next meeting. (*Action 5 – Day 1*)

11. Election of EC members

The CoP Chair designated the representative of Jamaica (Michael Taylor) and the representative of Panama (Soraya Cano) to serve as tellers of the election. Delegates were instructed to vote for no more than nine countries.

There were sixteen accredited Parties present. The eight countries marked with an asterisk below were elected on the first round of voting; having obtained 9 or more votes each.

The CoP elected the following Parties to compose the EC for the period July 2004-June 2006: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Cuba, Jamaica, Mexico, USA, and Venezuela. (*Action 12 – Day 2*)

The CoP endorsed the proposal of Canada, seconded by Mexico, about reviewing the voting rules and mechanisms during the EC and CoP meetings in order to make them more clear, efficient, and democratic. The Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures was requested to submit the appropriate documents electronically to the member country delegates, who would send their comments to the Chair of the Committee. (*Action 15 – Day 2*)

After the CoP meeting, during a closed session, the new IAI Executive Council elected Adrián Fernández Bremauntz from Mexico as the EC Chair, Michel Béland from Canada as the EC First-Vice Chair, and Bárbara Garea from Cuba was re-elected as the EC Second-Vice Chair.

12. Consideration of Forum Outcomes

The CoP Chair read the document prepared by the Forum rapporteurs, Osvaldo Canziani and Thelma Krug, which had been circulated during the meeting. The Forum set up during the 11th IAI CoP addressed the theme IAI Moving Forward and aimed at taking stock of IAI activities during the last decade and discussing priorities for the future, taking into account national and regional needs as regards building networks, multinational collaboration, training for young scientists, capacity building and political visibility.

Country delegates thanked the rapporteurs for their work. The CoP agreed that some of the subjects addressed during the Forum were not clearly reflected in the document.

The CoP requested the IAI Directorate to complete the Forum Report including the member country global change research priorities already sent by some member countries to the Directorate as well as the information the Parties would send up to two weeks after the meeting. The Parties would send their comments no later than two weeks after receiving the complete document. (*Action 8 – Day 2*)

13. Approval of the Action List of day 1

The CoP approved the Action List of Day 1 (June 30) with some modifications already included in it. (*Action 16 – Day 2*)

14. Future meetings and sites

The delegate from Cuba, Barbara Garea, informed the CoP, that Cuba had offered to host IAI meetings (workshop, courses, EC/CoP/SAC meetings) on several occasions and reiterated their offer.

The CoP accepted the offer of the delegate from Canada to host the EC XX and CoP XII Meetings in Montreal or Québec City, Québec, Canada. The date of the meeting will depend on the IAI Director Recruitment Process. (*Action 17 – Day 2*)

15. Adjournment

CoP members thanked Argentina for their hospitality and for hosting and organizing the meeting.

Eladio Zárate, delegate from Costa Rica informed the CoP that he would retire shortly and thanked all colleagues for the support he received during his term as representative with IAI.

The Chair, Agueda Menvielle, thanked the Country Representatives for their participation and wished them a nice trip home.

The meeting was adjourned.

**Eleventh Meeting of the IAI Conference of the Parties
June 30 and July 2, 2004 - Buenos Aires, Argentina**

Action List

Day 1 – June 30

1. The CoP elected the following members as the Bureau for its Eleventh meeting: Agueda Menvielle from Argentina as Chair, Nuris Orihuela from Venezuela as the First Vice-Chair and Michel Béland, from Canada as the Second Vice-Chair.
2. The CoP approved the agenda of its Eleventh Meeting with the following modifications:
 - a) The Report of the EC Chair will be presented together with the approval of items forwarded from the 18th and 19th EC meetings during the morning session of day 2.
 - b) The closed session previously aimed at considering the Director's Performance Evaluation will address the IAI Director recruitment process.
3. The CoP approved the report of its Tenth Meeting without modifications.
4. The Accreditation Committee, composed of Argentina (Carlos Ereño), Canada (Michel Belánd), and Costa Rica (Eládio Zárate), informed the CoP that 16 delegations had submitted the official credentials to participate in the meeting: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Uruguay, USA and Venezuela.
5. The CoP asked the Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures to draft rules pertaining to nomination procedures for the Scientific Advisory Committee and to present them to the EC at its next meeting.

**Eleventh Meeting of the IAI Conference of the Parties
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Action List

Day 2 – July 2

1. The CoP approved the report of the IAI Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures (Document 11)
2. The CoP approved the Alternative Core Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2004/2005.
3. The CoP approved to maintain the values of current Member Country Contributions for the next period 2004/2005.
4. The CoP approved the Document Proposed Principles regarding In-kind Contributions (Document 14)
5. The CoP approved the IAI Annual Program 2004/2005 (Document 10)
6. The CoP approved “Option 2” from the Document IAI Director Recruitment forwarded by the EC.
7. The CoP elected 3 delegates to compose the IAI Director Recruitment Committee: Carlos Ereño from Argentina, Adrián Fernández Bremauntz from Mexico, and Margaret Leinen from USA. Members of this committee will also be the EC Chair and a SAC member.
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**INTER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL CHANGE RESEARCH (IAI)
ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE IAI CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES (CoP)
June 30 and July 2, 2004 – Buenos Aires, Argentina**

The IAI Conference of the Parties, at its eleventh meeting held on June 30 and July 2, 2004, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, adopted the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION 1

The CoP approved the report of the IAI Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures (Document 11).

RESOLUTION 2

The CoP approved the Alternative Core Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2004/2005.

RESOLUTION 3

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RESOLUTION 4

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RESOLUTION 5

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RESOLUTION 6

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RESOLUTION 7

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RESOLUTION 8

The CoP elected the following scientists to be part of the SAC: Walter Fernández Rojas, Luiz Fernando L. Legey, Rana A. Fine, Vicente R. Barros and René Pablo Capote López.

RESOLUTION 9

The CoP elected the following Parties to compose the EC for the period July 2004-June 2006: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Cuba, Jamaica, Mexico, USA, and Venezuela.

July 2nd, 2004