

International Council for Science Panel on World Data Centers

University Staff House
Osbert Lancaster Room
Birmingham, England

July 21, 1999
6:00 to 8:00 pm.

Agenda

1. Review of Panel activities since the last Panel meeting
 - 1998 annual report [*see handout, p. 3*]
 - funding
 - new WDC directors [*see handout, p. 7*]
2. Plans for the second All WDC Conference
 - theme [*see handout, p. 17*]
 - data and location
 - preparatory work
3. New WDC components: meeting the needs of IGBP, WCRP, and other scientific programs [*see handout, p. 21*]
 - WDC for marine environmental data, Germany
proposed by Hannes Grobe, Alfred Wegener Inst. for Polar and Marine Research
 - WDC for hydrology, USA
proposed by WDC for Meteorology, USA
 - WDC for land use/land cover change, USA
proposed by WDC for Land Remote Sensing, USA [*see handout, p. 23*]
 - WDC for land use/land cover change, Spain
proposed by Xavier Baulies, Institute of Cartography
 - WDC/START collaboration for a paleoclimatic research data element in Africa
proposed by WDC for Paleoclimatology, USA
 - WDC for Remote Sensing Data, Germany
proposed by Gunter Schreier, German Aerospace Center
 - WDC for solar terrestrial physics, Australia
proposed by David Cole, IPS Radio & Space Services [*see handout, p. 25*]
 - WDC for Geodynamics Aspects of Geodesy and Gravity, Russia
proposed by the National Geophysical Committee, Russian Academy of Sciences
[*see handout, p. 31*]
4. WDC home page: what should be added?
5. Data Access issues
 - commercialization of data
 - database property rights in Europe, United States, and World Intellectual Property Organization [*see handout, p. 35*]
6. Other business