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Meeting of the NRC Committee to Advise the USGCRP

National Academy of Sciences Building
2101 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC
April 30, 2015 Meeting Room 120
May 1, 2015 Meeting Room 125

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Thursday April 30, 2015 Meeting Room 120

8:00 a.m. *Breakfast available outside the meeting room*

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session Committee Only Discussions

8:30 a.m. Committee Only Discussions

9:30 a.m. *Break*

OPEN SESSION

Session I Discuss Upcoming Advisory Committee Activities

- Review plans / status of two Advisory Committee activities
- Hear explanation of USGCRP budget process

10:00 a.m. Explanation of USGCRP Budget Process *Thomas Karl, USGCRP (remote)*
Kei Koizumi, OSTP (tentative)

10:30 a.m. Questions from committee on ongoing Advisory Committee activities
Advisory Committee

- (30 min) Report on scope of USGCRP activities that will discuss possible broadening of participation by agencies and parts of agencies that do not currently participate actively in USGCRP
- (30 min) Workshop on risk-based assessment methods

Session II Discuss Ongoing National Academies Activities

- Brief updates on ongoing activities around the National Academies
- Background materials will be provided to USGCRP and Advisory Committee ahead of meeting
- Open discussion / questions on specific activities

11:30 a.m. Sustaining Ocean Observations for Climate Applications *Susan Roberts, NRC*

11:40 a.m. Decadal Survey for Earth Observations *Mark Abbott, Oregon State*

11:50 a.m. New projects from the Division on Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education
Mary Ellen O'Connell, NRC

12:00 p.m. *Lunch*

Session III **Idea for NRC Activity on Performance Metrics**

- Hear from outside speakers
- Discuss possible goals for an NRC activity on performance metrics and possible mechanisms
- Goal is to try to find best way to help USGCRP measure success

1:00 p.m. Setting the Stage for USGCRP Performance Measures *Chris Weaver, USGCRP*
Thomas Karl, USGCRP (remote)

1:10 p.m. Overview of Performance Metrics *Baruch Fischhoff, Carnegie Mellon*

1:35 p.m. Lessons from the 2005 NRC report on Strategic Thinking
Susan Trumbore, Max Planck Institute for Biogeochemistry (remote)

1:50 p.m. Lessons Learned from Evaluating Assessments
Bets McNie, University of Colorado (remote)
Maria Carmen Lemos, University of Michigan (remote)

2:05 p.m. Panel discussion *Gary Geernaert, DOE*
Wayne Higgins, NOAA
Jack Kaye, NASA
Craig Robinson, NSF

2:25 p.m. Open Discussion

3:15 p.m. *Break*

Session IV **Review of Update to USGCRP Strategic Plan**

- Follow up from Fall 2014 Advisory Committee meeting
- Hear from USGCRP on Strategic Plan Update document
- Discuss role of Advisory Committee in reviewing this update document

3:45 p.m. USGCRP presentation of Strategic Plan Update document
Richard Eckman, NASA (remote)
Julie Morris, USGCRP
Michael Tanner, NOAA
Glynis Lough, USGCRP
Maria Uhle, NSF

4:25 p.m. Open Discussion

5:30 p.m. *Adjourn*

6:00 p.m. *Working Dinner – Location TBD*

**Friday May 1, 2015
Meeting Room 125**

8:00 a.m. *Breakfast available outside the meeting room*

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3:00 p.m. *Meeting Adjourns*

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