International Working Group on Satellite based Emergency Mapping (IWG-SEM)

Minutes of the teleconference held on Wednesday, 03.04.2013, 14-15 UTC

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During the teleconference, following points were discussed.

1. Agenda of Torino meeting

   Emergency Mapping Guidelines
   The suggested structure of the program was agreed. It was noted that native speaker will be needed to format the document in more objective way and in the language understandable to broader audience. EC might be also able to provide proof reading (this possibility has to be further clarified).

   IWG-SEM Chairmanship
   The potential candidate(s) will be announced during the workshop and will be selected during the workshop.

   GeoRSS Feeds
   The GDACS will be consulted what would be the requirements from their site to digest GeoRSS from various actors. The GeoRSS feeds are following OGS, but to ease the GeoRSS digestion, the guidelines on how the GeoRSS feeds should be set up will be presented in this session.

   Presentations: JAXA-DMSSO/Sentinel Asia and Dartmouth Flood Observatory
   No comments.

   Summary and Way Forward
   No comments.

   Furthermore it was suggested that the reviewing of the current membership should be done during the meeting and how the membership can be further extended. The membership part will be added to the agenda of the workshop.

   ITHACA noted that if participants want to profit from special rates for hotel accommodation, they should contact ITHACA to arrange the accommodation in one of the two hotels nearby.

2. Change of Chairmanship
   It was agreed that candidate(s) for the chairmanship will be announced during the meeting. The email will be sent to all group members to see how many would be ready to take the chairmanship.