

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



Minutes of the teleconference held on Tuesday, 19 January 2016, 14.45 UTC

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Main Outcomes

During the teleconference, the following points were discussed.

1) Member updates

- Update on membership: CSIRO in Australia requested membership, also private entities requested membership
- ImageCat was involved in South Carolina floods damage mapping.
- ImageCat is advancing on research survey on the Nepal earthquake. John is happy to provide more information to anyone who needs it. The project will finish mid 2016.
- Outreach: A sub-group of IWG has started to prepare a side event ('topic talk') at FOSS4G on collaborative mapping. More information can be found in the members area of the IWG-SEM webpage. All members are welcome to join the preparation group and to participate in the topic talk.

2) Discussion and adoption of the autumn meeting minutes

The draft minutes were provided beforehand at https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zMyF8xuTnqo5rdH_i96ud0e9n3xxoO7NbGWM2vsyfT4/edit#heading=h.vtjv5kerefz

Questions on possible misuse of membership were clarified (cf. p. 4 of the draft minutes).

Proposal: Define criteria on misuse in order to make review of possible misuse transparent.

Membership criteria (p. 5 of the draft minutes) were adopted.

Voting procedure (p.6-7):

Clarification that we expect voting to be rare. In general we work by consensus. The voting procedures were adopted.

The minutes were adopted.

3) Review of rolling action list

The document was provided at

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1aiSWOM4_XKD7kgGH_G7txKW9oOp5gSf-zLY0Uwtg-nU/edit?usp=sharing

John is connected to space internship network. He could explore to find an intern for SEM community analysis.

Action@AH: Update the rolling action list as discussed during autumn meeting.

4) Next telecon

The next telecon is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16 at 15.45 CET; the date might need to be modified given COPUOS STSC Session in Vienna.

6) Dates and location of next Spring meeting; new Chair candidates

If there is no other offer, the meeting can be organized again in Vienna.

Action@Chair: Rediscuss the previous offer of Mansul to host the next meeting in Bangkok.

All members are invited to consider candidacy for the Chairmanship. New candidate(s) need to be identified by April 2016 latest.

7) AOB

Reference to sub-working group related to damage tagging led by Blake. Need to follow up as agreed.

The conference call ended at 15.40 UTC