

Minutes of IAGA WG I.2 Business Meeting of 30th July 2012
Darwin, NT, Australia
30 September 2012

ATTENDANCE:

Working Group Committee members and more than 200 Working Group members.

1. LOCATION OF 23RD EMIW

23rd EMIW will take place in South East Asia in Thailand. The organizers continue WG tradition to have workshops in atmosphere that promotes interaction between all participants outside the formally scheduled events.

- **Venue:** Cha-am Beach (Holiday Inn Resort Regent Beach Cha-am). Cha-am Beach is located 170 km south from Bangkok (2 hours by car). Cha-Am beach is appreciated for its quiet and laidback atmosphere, while Holyday Inn Resort has all required facilities (large conference room, large registration area)/ More than 200 posters can be hold inside the Regent Hall (5 minute to walk from the Conference Hall) for the whole meeting.

<http://www.holidayinnregentbeach.com>

- **Accommodation.** Holyday Inn Resort Regent Beach Cha-am has 560 rooms starting from \$100 for 2 people with breakfast. There are several other hotels in the area with a cost per night for 3 stars hotel around \$50 for 2 people with breakfast, cheaper and affordable hotels are also available in the area starting from \$15/person.
- **Transportation.** There are several options:
 1. Organized transportation (van) from airport to the hotel.
 2. Rental car from the airport.
 3. Suvarnabhumi internation airport to Hua Hin airport and 10 min to hotel. (not regular)
 4. Suvarnabhumi airport to Bangkok: Airport Link, Bus and Taxi
 5. From Bangkok to hotel:
 - Public bus from Southern terminal.
 - Public van from near airport link terminal.
 - Train from Hua Lumpong terminal to Hua Hin terminal.
- **Dates.** Possible time for Workshop is July-August, that is a season with temperature from 25 to 33° C, however the rains are outburst and short, sporadic and heavy.
- **Costs.** Registration fee will be approximately the same as it was in Darwin (500 USD for full delegate and 200 USD for students) and will include:
 - Participation in all scientific meetings.
 - Meeting materials (Bag, Polo-Shirt, etc.)
 - Ice Breaker
 - Welcome Dinner
 - Coffee break (morning/afternoon)
 - Excursion
 - Transportation from/or your nearby hotels
 - Short evening trip to nearby areas
 - Lunches
- **Excursions.** There are several possibilities:
 - Sam Roi Yot National park;
 - Phra Nakhon Khiri (historical park);
 - Maruekatayawan Palace (royal palace);

2. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP FUNCTIONS

- **Members**

– Ian Ferguson	Chair	Canada	2012 – 2016
– Nick Palshin	Co-chair,	Russia	2012 – 2016
– Graham Heinson	Publication Coord.	Australia	2008 – 2016
– Gary Egbert	Fund-raising Coord.	U.S.A.	2008 – 2016
– Ute Weckmann	Treasurer	Germany	2008 – 2016
– Gad El Qady		Egypt	2008 – 2016
– K. Veeraswamy		India	2008 – 2016
– Sergio Fontes		Brazil	2010 – 2018
– Svetlana Kováčiková		Czech Rep.	2010 – 2018
– Yuguo Li,		China	2012 – 2020
– Kiyoshi Baba,		Japan	2012 – 2020
– Pilar Queralt,		Spain	2012 – 2020

- **Observers**

– Yasuo Ogawa	Past Chair	Japan	2012 – 2016
– Oliver Ritter,	LOC Chair (2014)	Germany	2010 – 2016
– W. Siripunwaraporn	LOC Chair (2016)	Thailand	2012 – 2018
– Laszlo Szarka	IAGA EC Liaison	Hungary	2010 – 2014
– T. Harinarayana	EMSEV Liaison	India	2012 – 2016
– Kurt Strack	Industry Liaison	USA	2012 – 2016

3. TREASURER AND FSC REPORT

WG expressed their gratitude to Ute Weckmann, George Jiracek, Gary Egbert and Graham Heinson for their good work in FSC.

The total amount of money was 58 000 USD from several sources including:

- International companies (sponsors) 30 000 USD
- National Science Foundation (USA) 20 000 USD
- Other source 8 000 USD

The following funding criteria for selecting applicant were applied:

- No late applications were considered.
- Only those applicants who were authors of presentations (poster or oral) could be supported.
- Funding could not be provided for those applicants who received significant funding for previous workshops.
- Funding to only one student, one postdoc/junior, and one senior scientist per institution. (Those at the institutions involved may choose to share this funding.)
- Travel funding set to the budget airfare level.
- Accommodation funding was set at a maximum of \$AUD350 for all applicants and registration was set at the early-registration amounts.
- Only students and postdocs could be funded, which means no funds for retired applicants or full professors

Finally sixty persons from 20 countries were supported:

- 51 students
- 6 Postdocs
- 3 mature scientist

4. REPORT ON WEIMAR WORKSHOP FROM LOC

Progress report on 22 EMIW was presented by Oliver Ritter, Chair of LOC.

22 EMIW will take place in Congress Centre in Weimar (Germany).

The web site www.emiw2014.de is active but still preliminary.

Pre- / post- workshops: will be organized by local groups as tutorials: Near-surface EM in Cologne, Marine MT/EM in Kiel, Numerical Methods in Freiberg, GPR in Frankfurt. Duration is 1-3 days before or after the main event. Workshops are free, but there will be additional costs for travel and accommodation (which are usually not covered by financial support). There will be limitations with respect to min and max number of participants.

Excursion: There are probably too many participants (300-400 delegates + partners/family) for a single excursion. Possible locations could include Wartburg + Erfurt and Dresden. Weimar offers many attractions which can be explored individually.

Accommodation: We intend to block a number of rooms in youth hostels (15-45 Euros) and provide an overview for suitable places in Weimar. Weimar is used to tourists; all hotels have English web pages and can be booked via internet. We do not intend to offer complete packages but let delegates decide where they would like to stay.

Registration fees: We anticipate average costs of 300-350 € per participant. This could mean a fee of approximately 400 € for full delegates and reduced fees of approximately 250 €. Fees include conference venue, coffees, conference dinner, and excursion. Prices for the congress centre are fixed but prices for catering will only become available in 2014. We are trying to optimise costs by using the work power of our large group (for web-page, registration, organisation, etc). There will be as few as possible external service providers.

Conference dinner: We plan to have the conference dinner in the Weimarhalle, as it seems difficult to seat 300+ people elsewhere. The caterer can do this but needs time to rearrange the interior. Suitable would be the excursion day which traditionally is on Wednesday (not Friday). If we want to have the dinner on Friday (which I would prefer) we may not be able to use the main lecture hall Friday afternoon.

Travel: Weimar does not have an international airport but can be reached with fast trains (ICE) from all major cities. Train tickets can be booked in advance via internet. We intend to publish relevant information for booking trains, schedules, etc. on our webpage. If necessary, we can install a help desk.

(a) Financial Support Committee

Name	Function	WG Position
1. Ute Weckman	Chair	WG Treasurer
2. Nick Palshin	Co-chair	WG Co-chair
3. Ian Ferguson		WG Chair
4. Gary Egbert		WG Fund-raising coordinator
5. Oliver Ritter		LOC chair
6. Weerachai Siripunvaraporn		Next LOC chair
7. Graham Heinson		Last LOC chair/co-chair
8. TBA	Non-voting	LOC Treasurer

(b) Program Committee (finalized subsequent to the meeting)

Name	Function	WG Position
1. Ian Ferguson	Chair	WG Chair
2. Oliver Ritter	Co-chair	LOC Chair
3. Heirich Brasse		LOC Co-chair
4. Graham Heinson		Publishing coordinator
5. Nick Palshin		WG Co-chair
6. Weerachai Siripunvaraporn		LOC (2016) chair
7. Yasuo Ogawa		Past WG Chair
8. Kyoshi Baba		
9. Gad El Qady		
10. Yuguo Li		
11. Pilar Queralt		

12. Anne Pommier
13. Marion Miensopust
14. Emin Candansayar
15. Sophie Hautot
16. Mauricio Bologna

(c) Local organizing committee (LOC).

1. O. Ritter (chair)
2. H. Brasse (co-chair)
3. M. Becken
4. R. Börner
5. B. Friedrichs
6. T. Hanstein
7. S. Hölz
8. A. Hördt
9. M. Jegen
10. A. Junge
11. G. Munoz
12. K. Spitzer
13. B. Tezkan
14. U. Weckmann

5. PUBLICATIONS

Review Papers will be published in “Survey in Geophysics”. Invited editors are Toivo Korja, Graham Heinson and Stephan Tiel.

Meeting Report will be presented by Graham Heinson to IAGA in a formal way.

6. UPCOMING CONFERENCES

1. IAGA, Mérida, México (August 26-31, 2013)
2. 3DEM-5, Sapporo, Japan (May 7-9, 2013)
3. EMSEV, Gotemba, Japan (Sept. 30 to Oct. 4, 2012)