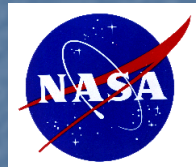




Brief Update on the IGOS Coastal Theme

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Selected Recent Activities and Highlights:

- 1) Coastal Theme Report sent to IOC for publishing earlier this month;**
- 2) *Coastal Zone Community of Practice Proposal submitted to the GEO Ad Hoc User Interface Working Group;***
- 3) Coastal observing sessions/presentations at the TOS and LOICZ-II Meetings; poster on the Coastal Theme at 18th Biennial Conference of the Estuarine Research Federation;**
- 4) Abstract on Coastal Theme submitted to upcoming AGU/ASLO Ocean Sciences Meeting in Feb. 2006 in Hawaii.**



Upcoming Activities for 2005-6:

- 1) *Presentation and discussion of Coastal Zone Community of Practice Proposal at GEO Ad Hoc User Interface Working Group Meeting in Geneva on 16 December;*
- 2) Coastal Theme implementation activities, including:
 - > *Workshop on “Coastal Urbanization, Development, and Hazards: Impacts on Humans and Ecosystem Health and Productivity”.*
 - > **Establishing the GOOS/GTOS Joint Panel for Integrated Coastal Observations**
 - > **GOOS Regional Association Meeting in South Africa; Catchment State and Coral Reef Environmental Health Workshop**



Activities for Consideration/Action by GEO for 2006:

- 1) Coastal Zone CoP and associated GEO targets; Workshop on “*Coastal Urbanization, Development, and Hazards: Impacts on Humans and Ecosystem Health & Productivity*”.
- 2) Relevant Coastal Theme GEO 2006 workplan tasks include: Disasters (D1-06-03, 06 to 09); Health (HE-06-01, 03); Climate (CL-06-04); Water (WA-06-01/04); Ecosystems (EC-06-02 to 05); Agriculture (AG-06-02)
- 3) Facilitate access to highest resolution global DEM.