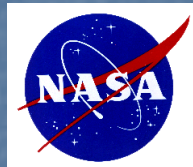


## Brief Update on the IGOS Ocean Theme

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## Ocean Theme Rolling Review:

- The first Ocean Theme Rolling Review Meeting was held 26-28 October 2005 in Arlington, VA, USA at the Ocean.US office.
- Attendees included Keith Alverson (GOOS), Paul DiGiacomo (NASA/JPL), Eric Bayler (NOAA), Hiroshi Murakami (JAXA), Pierre-Yves Le Traon (IFREMER/France), Mary-Elena Carr (JPL/NSF); Mark Drinkwater (ESA) and Ed Harrison (OOPC) were unable to attend.
- The meeting was very productive; the strategy, approach and timetable for the Rolling Review process was discussed as were ocean observing needs, gaps, priorities et al.

## Ocean Theme Rolling Review: Report Structure

- **Introduction:**
  - Purpose, what, why; revisiting earlier report
- **Context:**
  - Vision; need integrated Ocean, and Earth, observing system; GEOSS
- **State of Ocean Observing System:**
  - Accomplishments in last 5 years
    - assessment of original report*
    - other community accomplishments
  - Community needs and requirements
- **Challenges, Priorities and Recommendations:**
  - Challenges include knowledge, resolution/coverage, continuity, and integration
  - Short-, mid-, and long-term priorities
- **Implementation**
  - Impacts of previous report
  - Strategy for current implementation
  - Near-term milestones; pitfalls to avoid

## Ocean Theme Rolling Review: Report Schedule

- Nov 05 Detailed report outline developed
- Jan 06 Homework assignment #1 due: Initial draft report sections
- Feb 06 Release Draft V.0  
Initial Powerpoint for AGU Ocean Sciences *ad hoc* Town Hall  
Post Powerpoint to web site  
Solicit input from constituents
- Mar 06 Homework assignment #2 due: Comments on Draft V.0
- Apr 06 Draft V.1 due 2 weeks prior to team meeting  
Ocean rolling review team meeting (probably Barcelona)
- May 06 Complete Draft V.2
- Jun 06 IGOS-P13 meeting: present Draft V.2
- Jul 06 Complete Draft V.3
- Jul – Aug 06 Targeted community input
- Sep 06 Editors meeting  
Final working Draft V.4 completed by end of Sep 06
- Oct 06 Feedback, SCOR programs meeting (Concepcion, Chile)
- Nov 06 Submit to IGOS-P (present at IGOS-P13bis if held)  
then Publication of Draft V.5