

Argo Steering Team Meeting (AST-13)
Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, Paris, March 20-22, 2012
Host: Euro-Argo

1. Welcome (9 am March 20)
2. Local arrangements
3. Objectives of the meeting/adoption of the agenda
*Looking back over Argo's first 15 years – are present priorities appropriate?
Is Argo sustaining and improving the core Argo program, while also extending it as recommended by OceanObs09?*
4. Status of action items from AST-12 (Scanderbeg)
5. Implementation issues
 - 5.1 AIC Report/Status of Argo (Belbéoch)
 - 5.2 The Beginnings of Argo: 1997-1999 (Roemmich)
 - 5.3 EuroArgo update (LeTraon)
 - 5.4 Forum for the future of Japan Argo (Suga)
 - 5.5 Update commitments table (Scanderbeg)
Have the missed 2009/2010 deployments been made up?
 - 5.6 Float deployment opportunities (Belbéoch)
 - 5.7 Bio-Argo/Biogeochemical Argo (Riser, Claustre)
 - 5.8 AIC Funding (Freeland)
 - 5.9 JCOMM Observing Program Support Centre (Belbéoch)
 - 5.10 Marginal Seas sampling schemes (P-M Poulain, Ryoo)
 - 5.11 Discussion items from National Reports?
6. Data Management related issues
 - 6.1 Feedback from ADMT-12 (Pouliquen/Thresher)
 - 6.2 Update on pressure error correction and impacts (Wijffels)
 - 6.3 Feedback from Argo Trajectory Workshop (Scanderbeg)
 - 6.4 CCHDO/NODC activity/reference data (S. Diggs, T. Boyer)
7. Science talks: 3 presentations, 20 mins + 10 min discussion each.
 - 7.1 Claustre, H. Mignot, A. Xing, X., Dortenzio, F., Poteau., A.
Bio-optical floats: (1) towards delayed mode for Chla and CDOM; (2) understanding the seasonal DCM dynamics in sub-tropical regimes.
 - 7.2 Poulain, P.M., Notarstefano, G. (OGS, Trieste, Italy) and Stanev, E. (Univ. Sofia, Bulgaria)
Long term variations in the thermohaline properties in the Mediterranean and Black Seas as derived from Argo data
8. Technical issues
 - 8.1 Float technology progress (Riser, LeReste, Suga, Owens, Gilbert, Roemmich/Johnson)
 - 8.2 Status of oxygen measurement and QC (Riser, Gilbert/Kobayashi, Thierry)
 - 8.3 Update on near-surface temperature (Turton, Wijffels)
 - 8.4 Status of satellite communications (S. Piotrowicz, S. Hosoda)
 - 8.5 Standardized sampling for Iridium floats (Roemmich)
9. Demonstrating Argo's value/evolving for Argo's future

- 9.1 Upcoming science meetings: ASW-4 September 2012 (LeTraon)
- 9.2 Argo bibliography (Scanderbeg)
- 9.3 Google Ocean (Diggs/Belbeoch)
- 9.4 Argonautics Newsletter (Scanderbeg)
- 9.5 Updated Argo Brochure
- 9.6 Argo data and information accessible through interoperability with IOC Ocean Data Portal (Troisi)
- 9.7 Argo outreach activities –
- 9.8 How is Argo doing with regard to its progress and priorities? (Gould)
- 10. Future meetings
 - 10.1 ADMT-13
 - 10.2 AST-14
- 11. AST Membership
- 12. Other business