



# 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the IRDR Science Committee Ocean University of China, Laoshan Campus, Qingdao Shandong Province, China 1-3 June 2015

# Agenda Item 8: Reports / Previews from Co-Sponsors

Co-Sponsors will provide the meeting with short reports on recent, ongoing and planned developments of relevance to IRDR.

They will point to opportunities for connecting to related programmes, for joint activities and to grants available for the development towards the programme aims.

### **8.1 ICSU**

ICSU's ex-officio SC member (or her substitute), will give a brief account on the recent developments at the ICSU secretariat.

A brief update will be given on recent developments regarding ICSU's role in the negotiations of the SDGs, on the upcoming "Our Common Future" conference, on the evolution of Future Earth (FE), its global secretariat, science and engagement committees, and the restructuring of programmes.

An update will also be given on the evolving cooperation between ICSU and the EU-JRC, and the opportunities this offers for IRDR.

SC Chair and Executive Director will report on their contacts with their counterparts at FE.

#### **8.2 ISSC**

The ISSC ex-officio SC member, or his substitute, will give an update on recent, ongoing and planned developments of relevance to IRDR, notably the work towards the WSSF and the World Social Science Report.

Another element to be touched upon will be opportunities for collaboration with the emerging "Transformations" projects, as well as with the existing affiliated projects (database).

### 8.3 UNISDR

The UNISDR ex-officio member, Feng Min Kan, (or her substitute) will give an update on recent, ongoing and planned developments of relevance to IRDR, notably as regards the follow-up to be given in the regions and at national level to 3<sup>rd</sup> WCDRR.

### **Attachment:**

8.1.1. <u>ICSU announces Dr. Heide Hackmann to be Executive Director and Dr. Lucilla Spini, Head of Science Programmes</u>

## **Action:**

8. The SC is invited to <u>comment</u> on the information received, and to <u>suggest</u> activities with the Co-Sponsors conducive to enhancing the impact and visibility of the Programme.