

## RESOLUTION FOR THE FUTURE OF SIT

### The 13<sup>th</sup> CEOS Plenary

**Recognising** the value of CEOS participation in the IGOS Partnership:

**Recognising** that the SIT has stimulated significant progress in the development of IGOS since its inception and continues to serve an important role for CEOS;

**Commending** the valued contributions made to date by the Strategic Implementation Team (SIT), SIT Chairman, SIT Organising Committee, and others, in developing the concept of IGOS, establishing solid working relations between the IGOS Partners and the Global Observing Systems Space Panel, transitioning the IGOS pilot projects to the IGOS Partnership and other bodies, and moving the IGOS Partnership toward an implementing mode;

**Noting** agreement by the partners to pursue the implementation of IGOS through a theme approach with the first theme being Oceans;

#### **Decides to:**

**Continue** the SIT as an ad hoc group during 2000, participation being open to CEOS Members who commit to contribute to IGOS activities;

**Appoint** Dr. Jean-Louis Fellous of CNES as Chairman of SIT and Mr. Yoshiro Miki of STA as Vice-Chairman, and invite them to pursue SIT activities, using the CEOS Secretariat and any other support the Chairman may consider necessary, and to provide a detailed progress report and recommendations in time for the 14<sup>th</sup> Plenary;

#### **Task** the SIT to:

- Implement and develop the space component of the specific themes addressed. In the first instance this is the ocean theme;
- Coordinate CEOS agency activities with regard to IGOS;
- Designate the SIT Chairman to support the CEOS Chairman, with the past and future CEOS Chairmen, to represent CEOS at IGOS partners meetings;
- Develop, implement, and review strategies for outreach and education on IGOS issues relating to CEOS.

**Ask** the CEOS Chairman to ensure that the subject is reviewed at the 14<sup>th</sup> Plenary.