



SOLAS e-bulletin February 2015

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Big step accomplished towards the next phase of SOLAS

After 1.5 years of preparation via community communication exercises and workshops of experts and early career scientists, SOLAS finalised and submitted to its current sponsors (SCOR, IGBP, WCRP and iCACGP) and to Future Earth a science plan for its next 10 years phase (2015-2025). SOLAS also submitted to Future Earth a transition statement requesting sponsorship. Both documents are now under review and will be made available to the community in the coming weeks.

New chair and members to SOLAS SSC



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Véronique Garçon has been appointed the new chair of the SOLAS Scientific Steering Committee (SSC). Véronique Garçon is a senior scientist from CNRS working at LEGOS in Toulouse, France. She has an extensive history with SOLAS, she has been an active committed SOLAS scientist since the inception of SOLAS, a member of the SOLAS SSC from 2007 to 2012, vice chair of Eric Saltzman for two years and a leading force behind the six SOLAS Summer Schools.

After rotating off the SSC, Véronique Garçon stayed closely involved in the latest developments of SOLAS, in particular in the context of Future Earth and in the scientific framing for the next 10 years of SOLAS.

At the same time we are welcoming Véronique Garçon we would like to thank Cécile Guieu for her time and work as interim SSC chair over the last months of 2014.

We also welcome four new members to the SOLAS SSC. [Cristina Facchini](#) from Italy, [Emmanuel Boss](#)

from the USA, [VVSS Sarma](#) from India and [Maurice Levasseur](#) from Canada. All four started their first term as members in January 2015. As of 31st December 2014 Cécile Guieu, Patricia Quinn, Min-Han Dai and Rafel Simo have left the SOLAS SSC after each serving two terms. We thank all former members for their work and time towards SOLAS.

Young scientist workshop at the SOLAS OSC 2015

A special young scientist workshop [`The ABC of presenting: Audience-friendly, Brief and Clear`](#) has been added to the program of the conference. First part of the workshop will take place on Monday 7 Sept 2015, and will introduce techniques and try out some practical exercises. During the week of the conference participants will be able to integrate this work into their public speaking and monitor their own progress and experience. The second part will take place on Friday 11 Sept 2015 and will give participants the opportunity to review and to share their experiences.

Further details and a short application form will be made available in early spring 2015 on the [conference website](#).



In the meantime, don't forget [to register](#) for the conference and also to submit a [poster abstract](#), a [discussion session proposal](#) and a [financial support application](#)

WWW.SOLAS-INT.ORG/OSC2015.HTML for more on sessions topics, plenary keynotes, becoming a speaker, etc.

IGBP and SOLAS at AGU Fall Meeting 2015

The [2015 AGU Fall Meeting](#) will take place from 14 to 18 Dec 2015 in San Francisco, USA.

SAVE THE DATE! This year, the International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme (IGBP) is planning [a series of events](#) at the 2015 AGU Fall Meeting to celebrate IGBP past and to transition to Future Earth.



IGBP invite the SOLAS community to participate.

Session proposals will open **mid-February**. If you submit a SOLAS-related session, please inform the IPO. We will be pleased to advertise it and link it to the IGBP series of events.

New SOLAS national representative to Spain

SOLAS SSC member [Alfonso Saiz-López](#), group leader of the Atmospheric Chemistry and Climate group within CSIC's Institute of Physical Chemistry Rocasolano (IQFR) in Madrid, Spain has been appointed the new national representative to Spain. He took over the role from Rafel Simo who we would like to thank for his long time involvement with SOLAS as a national representative and former SSC member.

[SOLAS National Networks](#)

Opportunities

- To improve the data product for the next release of the GEOTRACES Intermediate Data Product, take part in a 5-minute [survey](#). Deadline: **28 Feb**
- [The International Summer School on Global Greenhouse Gases](#) will take place 16-23 Aug 2015 in Edinburgh, UK. The school is aimed at advanced PhD students and post-doctoral researchers in the natural sciences who want to develop a solid understanding of greenhouse gases in the earth system. Deadline: **2 March**
- The 2015 [NF-POGO Centre of Excellence in Observational Oceanography](#) at AWI is now accepting application for the training program. Deadline: **15 March**
- POGO also announced the [POGO-SCOR Visiting Fellowship program for 2015](#). The scheme is designed to promote training and capacity building leading towards a global observation scheme for the oceans. Deadline: **31 March**
- Call for proposals for [Transformative Knowledge Networks](#). The International Social Science Council (ISSC) and its partners invite applications for proposals for Transformative Knowledge Networks for the recently launched Transformations to Sustainability Programme. Deadline: **31 March**
- A three-day hands-on practical workshop entitled [`A Practical introduction to marine monitoring hardware and procedures`](#) will be held on 15–17 Sept 2015 in Trieste, Italy. The workshop will provide the opportunity to develop a working knowledge of the challenges of ocean monitoring. Deadline: **30 April**

A bit of reading

- An interesting article on [`Methods for biogeochemical studies of sea ice: The state of the art, caveats, and recommendations`](#) by Miller et al. is available online. This is an outcome of the SCOR WG 140 and a contribution to the SOLAS Mid-term strategy on sea ice biogeochemistry and interactions with the atmosphere
- Future Earth has recently published the [Future Earth Strategic Research Agenda 2014](#), the outcome of a year-long global consultation on the priorities for global change research.
- Now available in French and Spanish: [Ocean Acidification Summary for Policymakers](#)

Submit an abstract before...

- **18 Feb** for the [Asia Oceania Geosciences Society 12th Annual Meeting](#), 2-7 Aug, Singapore
- **2 March** for the conference [Our Common Future Under Climate Change](#), 7-10 July Paris, France
Submit a contribution (oral or poster) and join SOLAS during its session on the 7 July.

New dates for your diary

- [Atmospheric Chemistry: Multiphase Processes - Observations and Fundamentals](#) 2-7 Aug, Waterville Valley, USA

****See our full events calendar on our [website](#)****

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