**ANNEX III**

**PROPOSED ACTION PLAN FOR DEVELOPING THE WIGOS VISION 2040**

| ***Date*** | ***Milestone*** | ***Body responsible*** | ***Action followed up by*** |
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| April 2016 | IPET-OSDE-2 to set up the sub-group on the surface Vision (Frank Grooters, Daniel Michelsen, John Eyre, Jay Lawrimore, Jochen Dibbern, Jitze van der Meulen, JCOMM, Michele Citterio, Russell Stringer, Stephan Klink). Offenbach as an option for the venue. | IPET-OSDE | J. Eyre |
| May 2016 | to identify JCOMM representative | Secretariat | Secretariat |
| May 2016 | to initiate email discussion in preparation of the September workshop | IPET-OSDE Chair | J. Eyre |
| May 2016 | to identify venue and propose date for the September workshop | Secretariat | Secretariat |
| June-Aug. 2016 | Email exchange to agree on outline of the Vision, and documentation plan for the September workshop | IPET-OSDE sub-group | J. Eyre, F. Grooters |
| Aug. 2016 | An ad hoc IPET-OSDE drafting workshop for the Surface-based observing systems part of the WIGOS Vision | IPET-OSDE sub-group | J. Eyre, F. Grooters |
| End Sept. 2016 | CIMO Technical Conference 2016 (TECO-2016, Madrid, Spain, 27-30 September 2016) to note the ongoing process for the development of the Surface Vision 2040, and propose guidance from its perspective, including required changes to the GOS Vision 2025 to be considered for the new Vision. | CIMO TECO 2016 | Jitze vd Meulen to actively request the issue to be raised, and present Vision 2025 and plan to develop Vision 2040 as part of the final statement of the conference; 3 Sept. 2016 |
| October 2016 | The draft from the IPET-OSDE sub-group is considered by the larger WIGOS community (workshop), with participation from all WIGOS component observing systems, and co-sponsored observing systems stakeholders. John Eyre will present the outcome of the IPET-OSDE Workshop to the WIGOS Workshop | IPET-OSDE Chair | J. Eyre |
| October 2016 | Jitze vd Meulen, Secretariat and Bertrand Calpini to discuss and make sure that the CIMO perspective will be taken into account | CIMO | J. vd Meulen |
| End November 2016 | The 16th Session of the CBS (CBS-16, Guangzhou, China, 23-29 November 2016) notes work in progress, and may suggest some changes and guidance from its perspective. The draft Surface- and Space- Vision documents will be presented to CBS-16 as information documents, noting the the two documents will be merged at a later stage | CBS-16 | Secretariat |
| Dec. 2016 | to prepare the work for merging the two Visions | Secretariat | Secretariat |
| Febr. 2017 | A workshop (or drafting meeting) may then be needed to finalize the integration the two Visions | Secretariat | Secretariat |
| Mar. 2017 | to review draft and propose changes and further guidance. ICG-WIGOS will be expected to approve the plan for finalizing the two Visions. | ICG-WIGOS-6 | S. Barrell, B. Calpini, Secretariat (LPR) |
| May 2017 | to note availability of first draft and provides further guidance (work in progress). This will be followed by consultation of the stakeholders | EC-69 | Secretariat |
| Jan. 2018 | to make a final review of the draft and approves its submission to EC-70, while inviting the CBS through IPET-OSDE and ICT-IOS to make some adjustments. | ICG-WIGOS-7 | S. Barrell, B. Calpini, Secretariat (LPR) |
| April 2018 | to further review the draft according to EC-69 and ICG-WIGOS-7 guidance. | IPET-OSDE-3 and ICT-IOS-10 | IPET-OSDE & ICT-IOS Chairs |
| May 2018 | agrees that the available draft is good enough for submission to Cg-18. | EC-70 | Secretariat |
| Mid-2018 | CIMO Session to review the draft. | CIMO-17 | B. Calpini, Secretariat |
| Early-2018 | ICG-WIGOS to consider latest changes, and consider version to be submitted to Congress | ICG-WIGOS | S. Barrell, B. Calpini, Secretariat (LPR) |
| End 2018 | If there is a CBS-Ext(2018) Session, the CBS to review and recommend the draft to be submitted to EC-70 and Cg-18. | CBS Ext.(2018) | Secretariat |
| May 2019 | Congress approves the WIGOS Vision for 2040. | Cg-18 | Secretariat |

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