Providing geoscience data globally

Minutes of OneGeology Board Meeting #8 05 July 2016 TeleConference

ATTENDEES

Marko Komac (MK) Managing Director OneGeology

Chris Pigram (Chair) Board Chair – CEO, Geoscience Australia

Matt Harrison (MH) Director of Informatics, British

Francois Robida (FR) Dty Head of Division, Information Systems and Technologies Division, BRGM

Tomasz Nałęcz (TN) Director of GeoScience, Polish Geological Institute
Tim Duffy (TD) OneGeology Project Manager, British Geological Survey

Virginia Hannah (VTH) OneGeology Administration, British Geological Survey – Note Taker

APOLOGIES

Dr Lee Allison - State Geologist and Director, Arizona Geological Survey, Dr Maria Glícia da Nóbrega Coutinho – Head International Affairs Office, CPRM – GS Brazil Dr Eikichi Tsukuda - Director General, Geological Survey of Japan

MINUTES and ACTIONS

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending. Everyone welcomed Tomasz Nałęcz, Director of GeoScience, Polish Geological Institute, who has kindly taken on the role as Board Member for Europe.

Apologies were received from Dr Eikichi TSUKUDA Director General, Geological Survey of Japan, Dr Maria Glícia da Nóbrega Coutinho, Head International Affairs Office, CPRM, GS Brazil and Dr Lee Allison, State Geologist and Director, Arizona Geological Survey.

2. Review of outstanding actions and matters-arising plus formal agreement of minutes from last Board meeting – January 2016.

7.8 - 7.11 the Chair advised that there is currently a proposal for a 3D academic project being supported by GeoScience Australia. He said it is a good project although not cheap.

There is currently no formal business plan, it is very much in the initial stages but he is hoping to be in a position to share this with the rest of the Board by the end of July.

MH reported that he and FR presented OneGeology at the OGC '3D' meeting in Dublin which was very well received. It has been agreed to form a working group with OGC.

7.18: MK was asked to follow up OneGeology Principal Members meeting and OneGeology Africa Day requirements with Mosidi. We need to ensure that we have adequate meeting time and space at the IGC for the meeting as promised.

It was noted that Mosidi has offered to arrange transport to and from the IGC conference centre to the CGS Bellville venue (14km away) for all participants at meetings held in Bellville but all should be aware that the transfer could take up to an hour.

7.25: Tomasz Nałęcz will host the Jan 2017 OneGeology Board meeting at the Polish Geological Institute.

ITEM	ACTION	LEAD	DEADLINE
7.1	Tim to check that services in from the East Asia site are registered in the OneGeology portal with Joel Barnibas of GSJ	TD	August 2016
7.3	Francois to inform the board as soon as the size/scope of the SDI component in the PanAfGeo EGS-OAGS became available to him.	FR	August 2016
7.6	Action Tim to write to all current data providers (70+) to ask them to use the Thematic keywords	TD	Once action 7.5 visible to providers
7.8	Seek to build a project based activity and ask for cooperation, with some core funding and some activity in kind, from some PM's (ideal 6?). In first round of OneGeology collaboration activity we recommend 3D, there will be following issues to be addressed.	СР	See update from the chair above.
7.9	Coordinate 3D activities between OneGeology and CGI	FR	_
7.10	Requirement to identify 3D project lead	CP+FR	_
7.11	Develop a business plan (BP) for 3D project	CP+	
7.12	Circulate BP to PM's and seek commitment to the project from some PM's by end July	СР	ONGOING
7.13	Follow up with LA/NSF the new CRE/Belmont opportunity	MK+LA	ONGOING
7.14	Chair to follow up with Clair McLaughlin (AU Brussels CRE rep.) in relation to the EU – CRE connection.	СР	ONGLOING
7.15	Explore alternatives sources of funding: 1) Charity funding for Capacity building 2). For 3D project – smart cities?	MK+board	ONGOING
7.16	Compile a list of relevant geoscience info management conferences over next 12 months to assist strategic targeting for further development of OneGeology agenda e.g. OGC, RDA	МК	CLOSED
7.17	Update OneGeology promotional information to reflect this agenda (inc. quotes and words for regional survey management to join etc)	MK	ONGOING
7.18	Liaise with Mosidi for Capetown 1 day board meeting. To recommend to BGS and BRGM future of OneGeology.	МК	ONGOING
7.19	Give MK their availability dates for board meeting at IGC35 avoiding other meeting/sessions commitments between 29/08 and 02/09 or 05/09	Board	CLOSED
7.20	IGC sessions need to repeat the OneGeology agenda: Already organised GeoSciML workshop including OneGeology work; At least two abstracts submitted. MH to ask board for list of papers/sessions to be encouraged; Lee's SDI workshop will also be approved.	МН	ONGOING
7.21	African OneGeology FULL day room will be held within IGC. Date to be confirmed. Prepare flyers for this day.	MK, Mosidi	ONGOING
7.22	OneGeology admin to send detailed list of OneGeology Africa participants and past contacts attempted to be involved. BGS/BRGM to look at this list and provide any more modern contacts they might have.	BGS+BRGM	CLOSED
7.25	Next face to face end January 2017: Host: MK to ask new EU board member to host? Confirm date and venue.	MK	CLOSED
7.26	Ask Dr Petrov if he can nominate another person to be the board member for Eurasia. TD to give MK suggested Russian	MK+TD	CLOSED

names.

3. 35th IGC parallel meetings:

3.1) Board Meeting (Friday, 2nd September)

In order to make the meeting on time, participants will need to skip the closing ceremony of IGC as the transfer between venues is 1 hour. Mosidi is organising transport for everyone, details will be circulated nearer the time.

3.2) Principal Members Meeting (Tuesday, 30th August)

Timings are currently problematic. Details will be circulated once agreed.

3.3) OneGeology Africa Day (Wednesday, 31st August – pending)

Timetables are still to be confirmed and will be circulated once finalised.

Action 8.1: MH will speak to Kristine Asch to see if anytime can be freed up in the GeoInformatics programme to host Africa day.

4. Update on the developments (membership/finances, Services)

TD reported that financially we are likely to be in a better place than we was this time last year and we are still awaiting payments that we believe will eventually be received.

MH Reported that although GEUS have currently not paid their membership, they are working on paying the full €10,000 subscription, they ask that we are patient with them while they organise this.

TNO are working on making the payment for the 2016 subscription. TN agreed to follow up with TNO.

MK reported that the former VEGESI, which has changed its name to the Federal State Budgetary Enterprise, will be paying the full €10,000 subscription. An invoice for this amount has been raised and sent via Oleg Petrov.

IGME is still to pay. FR agreed to speak with them

TN is to approach Portugal again regarding the 2016 membership subscription. MK will forward to TN, the relevant emails so far received from Portugal so that he knows the background and current situation.

MH has spoken with GTK and feels at this moment there is little point pursuing them. Maybe once we have a 3D project going forwards we can begin discussions with them again.

TD reported that many more services are being added to the OneGeology portal as a subsequence of the INSPIRE project.

MK gave the following South America Update on behalf of Maria Glícia da Nóbrega Coutinho;

- > CPRM are working hard to bring in the data for the development of OneGeology.
- Maria Glícia da Nóbrega Coutinho has been given the go ahead and funding to attend the IGC in Africa.
- > Political change in Brazil as well as Board change at CPRM is causing some delays with delivery.
- Maria requested a letter of support to show the CPRM Board, to show the value of the participation from South American Geological Surveys in OneGeology.

Action 8.2: TN to speak to TNO regarding 2016 subscription

Action 8.3: FR to speak to IGME regarding 2016 subscription.

Action 8.4: TN To speak to Portugal regarding 2016 subscription

Action 8.5: MK will prepare a letter of continued support, for South American geological surveys to be a part of OneGeology, signed by himself and Chris Pigram, on behalf of the Board.

5. AOB

MH reported; he and FR presented OneGeology to the GIC meeting in Dublin, 23 – 27 May. Approximately 40 heads of EU Geological surveys attended the meeting and the presentation was received very well. He also wanted to note that everyone at the meeting seemed very happy with the appointment of Tomasz Nałęcz onto the OneGeology Board and looked forward to working with him.

MH met with the Alberta Geological Survey last week and said there is a lot interest in OneGeology, especially the Canadian provincial Surveys, who see OneGeology as the link to Geological Survey of Canada (GSC).

The BGRM director visited BGS last week, so MH took this positive opportunity of having both the BGS and BRGM directors in one room, to demonstrate how OneGeology knitted together with Global GeoScience, which was well received.

6. Review of New & Outstanding Actions

ITEM	ACTION	LEAD	DEADLINE
8.1	MH will speak to Kristine Asch to see if anytime can be freed	MH	End of today
	up in the GeoInformatics programme to host Africa day.		
8.2	TN to speak to TNO regarding 2016 subscription	TN	August 2016
8.3	FR to speak to IGME regarding 2016 subscription.		August 2016
8.4	TN To speak to Portugal regarding 2016 subscription		August 2016
8.5	MK will prepare a letter of continued support, for South		End July 2016
	American geological surveys to be a part of OneGeology,		
	signed by himself and Chris Pigram, on behalf of the Board.		
7.1	Tim to check that services in from the East Asia site are	TD	August 2016
	registered in the OneGeology portal with Joel Barnibas of		
	GSJ		
7.3	Francois to inform the board as soon as the size/scope of the	FR	August 2016
	SDI component in the PanAfGeo EGS-OAGS became available		
	to him.		
7.6	Action Tim to write to all current data providers (70+) to ask	TD	Once action
	them to use the Thematic keywords		7.5 visible to
			providers
7.12	Circulate BP to PM's and seek commitment to the project	СР	ONGOING
	from some PM's by end July		
7.13	Follow up with LA/NSF the new CRE/Belmont opportunity	MK+LA	ONGOING
7.14	Chair to follow up with Clair McLaughlin (AU Brussels CRE	СР	ONGLOING
	rep.) in relation to the EU – CRE connection.		
7.15	Explore alternatives sources of funding: 1) Charity funding	MK+board	ONGOING
	for Capacity building 2). For 3D project – smart cities?		
7.17	Update OneGeology promotional information to reflect this	MK	ONGOING
	agenda (inc. quotes and words for regional survey		
	management to join etc)		
7.18	Liaise with Mosidi for Capetown 1 day board meeting. To	MK	ONGOING
	recommend to BGS and BRGM future of OneGeology.		
7.20	IGC sessions need to repeat the OneGeology agenda:	MH	ONGOING
	Already organised GeoSciML workshop including		
	OneGeology work; At least two abstracts submitted. MH to		
	ask board for list of papers/sessions to be encouraged; Lee's		
	SDI workshop will also be approved.		
7.21	African OneGeology FULL day room will be held within IGC.	MK, Mosidi	ONGOING

Ī	Date to be confirmed. Prepare flyers for this day.	

7. Date and Venue of Next Meeting

Next meeting will be face to face at IGC in Capetown. Venue and time tbc but is likely to be 1700-2000 at the CGES Bellville office on Friday 2nd September 2016.