



Minutes of OneGeology Board Meeting #14 07 March 2018 Teleconference

ATTENDEES

James Johnson (JJ)	CEO, GeoScience Australia– Chair
Matt Harrison (MH)	Director of Informatics, British
Francois Robida (FR)	Deputy Head of Division, Information Systems and Technologies Division, BRGM
Carina Kemp	Chief Information Officer Geoscience Australia
Tomasz Nałęcz (TN)	Director of GeoScience, Polish Geological Institute
Linda Richard	Director, Northern Canada Division at Geological Survey of Canada - NRCan
Boyan Brodaric (BB)	Research Scientist, Geological Survey of Canada
Dr Masahiko Makino (MM)	Assistant Director General, Geological Survey of Japan
Dr Shinji Takarada (ST)	Geological Survey of Japan
Dr Maria Glícia da Nóbrega Coutinho (MC)	Head International Affairs Office, CPRM – GS Brazil
Virginia Hannah (VTH)	OneGeology Administration Manager, British Geological Survey – Note Taker

APOLOGIES

Tim Duffy (TD)	OneGeology Project Manager, British Geological Survey
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MINUTES and ACTIONS

1. Welcome and Apologies

JJ welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were accepted from TD and the Board wishes him a speedy recovery.

It was noted; that no apologies had been received from The Council for GeoScience this meeting.

2. Review of outstanding actions and matters-arising plus formal agreement of minutes from last Board meeting#13 – November 2017

The minutes from the last Board meeting in November were accepted as a true reflection of that meeting.

The outstanding actions were processed and updates shown below.

Standing Agenda item 1: MH advised that he has had encouraging discussions with the Nigerian Geological Survey, who seemed open to the prospect of getting involved with OneGeology.

Standing Agenda Item 2:

- JJ said that he would be promoting OneGeology at the State Geological Surveys meeting and the Australian GeoScience Council in October.

- FR will promote at the OGC meeting in Orléans, as well as the GIC meeting, to be held in Canberra in May.
- TN will promote at the cartographic conference in Bulgaria, as well as at the national conference in Poland.
- BB said GSC’ big focus will be at the RFG in Canada in June.
- ST said they had promoted OneGeology at a recent International workshop in Eastern Asia.

Action 13:04: FR reported that the system has been updated to track use of the portal. He said that BRGM have produced some usage stats already, but he will circulate a full detailed report after the meeting. He explained that according to the stats; we have received 30,000 visitors to the portal in the last year averaging 2,500 visitors per month, which is 100 unique users per day. It interestingly also shows, that the time visitors are spending on the portal is increasing. FR said many more statistics can be exported from the portal. JJ welcomed the circulation of the report and said that this will be a great tool to help promote the uptake of users to OneGeology.

NEW ACTION 14.01: FR to circulate a short report on the usage statistics for the portal in the next month, this will include the actions carried out by the users, which can be discussed by the board to form a decision on how we utilise these statistics in the future.

Action 13:05: FR reported that CGMW had a meeting this month where the MoU should have been discussed. Unfortunately, its seems like they are still not ready to sign the MoU. It was agreed to leave this action open and FR will continue to lobby CGMW.

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	All regional representatives are encouraged to actively work to recruit new members in their areas.	ALL	STANDING ITEM
	Each Board representative to send to the OneGeology Administration at least one conference they are going to promote OneGeology at during this coming year, to be developed into a list of Conferences attended on the website.	ALL	STANDING ITEM
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11.10	<i>MH to look at the options for holding a Town Hall at the RFG in Vancouver 2018.</i>	MH	CLOSED
11.11	All Board members are encouraged to promote OneGeology at the RFG event in Vancouver Canada, June 2018. Please keep Administration up to date of any posters that are being submitted.	ALL	ONGOING
13.01	MG agreed to look at the possibility of submitting a poster, or attending and presentation a session on the Tectonic Map of South America, to the RFG in June 2018.	MG	NEXT MEETING

13.02	MG agreed to work with OneGeology Help, towards adding the Tectonic Map of South America, to the OneGeology Portal in the new year	MG	NEXT MEETING
13.02	<i>MH agreed to forward the details he has so far received from Harvey Thorliefson, to the rest of the Board.</i>	MH	CLOSED
13.04	<i>FR agreed to report back at the next meeting regarding the summary statistics from the Portal</i>	FR	NEXT MEETING
13.05	FR to work with CGMW to get the MoU agreed and signed off, then report to the next meeting.	FR	FR will give update during meeting 07/03/17
13.06	<i>VTH to doodle for next GoToMeeting in February 2018</i>	VTH	CLOSED

3. Regional Updates

Please see **Annex A: 1G Regional Board Report March 2018.**

4. Africa Representation on the OneGeology board

MH advised the board that although the OneGeology administration continually try to contact representatives at the Council for GeoScience South Africa, we have had no response from them over the last few months.

Agreed: It was agreed by the Board; OneGeology Administration should continue to try to engage with contacts at the Council for GeoScience but for now, they will be taken off the OneGeology Board, until a firm communication line can be established with them.

Supplemental: following the meeting Fhatuwani Ramagwede, from CGS contacted the OneGeology Office to thank them for the summary reports. On following up, this contact has not gone any further.

5. Communication

No update

6. Development updates

Membership/Finance

MH reported that so far admin had not received much response to the subscription invoices sent out in February. The first round of chasing will begin next week; all Board members are encouraged to make the payment to OneGeology ASAP and to encourage partners within their regions, to do the same.

We are currently in the final stages of agreeing a 3-year agreement with the Geological Survey of Canada, for their subscription to OneGeology.

For the very first time OneGeology is solvent!

Portal update

FR said the new version of the portal is online now and feedback is welcome.

A joint meeting with BGS, has been arranged for this month in Paris, to discuss further evolution of the portal to be worked on this year.

7. 2018 Face to Face Board Meeting in 2018

BB said that the planning for the meeting is going well and GSC are very much looking forward to hosting the meetings and welcoming the Board to Canada. All meetings will take place at the Geological Survey of Canada offices in Vancouver. BB will circulate more detail nearer the time, but for now the week looks like;

11-12 June IUGS CGI Working Group Meetings

13 June OneGeology TIG meeting

14-15 June OneGeology Board Meeting

ACTION 14.02: JJ asked that any agenda items be sent through to Virginia to coordinate with JJ and MH. FR and MH will work on a first version of the Agenda and circulate.

ACTION 14.03: JJ & CK to speak to Laurent Ailleres and invite him to attend the OneGeology Board meeting in Vancouver.

BB advised that a small group of the OneGeology Board have been involved in discussions, at the proposal from the Director of GSC, to have a OneGeology session at the RFG, replacing the town hall idea. It was agreed that this would be a good idea and so far, the plan is to have a couple of talks highlighting the past and possible future success for OneGeology, for which abstracts have already been submitted. There will also panel session put together that will broadly look at the impact of information technology on geology going forward. There will be other talks from the Geological survey of China, IUGS and IBM.

It was agreed that the opportunity to hold a small 10-year anniversary for OneGeology was a good idea, such as;

Create a plaque, which to present to the OneGeology Board. BB advised that the IUGS Chair will be presenting in another session so maybe we could ask for him to make the presentation.

FR suggested that we could get a message from Ian Jackson read at the session and we should ensure that we get the OneGeology programme entered into the RFG daily news bulletins.

Organise a drinks or cake reception after the OneGeology session depending on the time of day.

ACTION 14.04: BB will approach the IUGS president to possibly make a presentation of a plaque or similar to the Board.

ACTION 14.05: MH/VTH will speak with the RFG organisers to enquire about the possibilities for a drinks reception after the OneGeology session.

ACTION 14.06: All should look at the material we have for show casing the benefits of OneGeology. FR should create something short from the portal statistics to show case OneGeology success to add to the promotional material.

8. Funding

No updates

9. Date and venue of next meeting

Vancouver 14-15 June 2018 at the Geological Survey of Canada.

10. AOB

CK reported on the 3D Loop project; Laurant Ailleres will let us know in June if the grant has been successful. If it is unsuccessful, the project will still go ahead but in a smaller context. We would greatly benefit from more cash injections so any ideas would be welcome.

FR reported that Oleg Petrov had shown interest in joining the Loop project. CK said that she would speak to him personally.

ACTION 14.07: CK to follow up with Oleg Petrov regarding the Loop project.

JJ expressed thanks on behalf of the board, too Virginia for her hard work on pulling these meetings together, he said her patience and forbearance is greatly appreciated. He also thanked all Board members for their contributions that they each make to OneGeology.

11. Review of Outstanding and New Actions

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