

Annex A

Proforma for CLIVAR Panel and Working Group requests for SSG approval for meetings

Requests should be made through D/ICPO (Catherine.beswick@noc.ac.uk), against the following headings:

1. **Panel or Working Group:** DIG
2. **Title of meeting or workshop:** Developing an Experimental Global Drought Information System (GDIS) with a focus on user needs and pilot studies
3. **Proposed venue:** not in Europe this time
4. **Proposed dates:** April 2013
5. **Proposed attendees, including likely number:** Subset of Frascati drought meeting attendees with additional user representation, and key people representing various national pilot studies
6. **Rationale, motivation and justification, including: relevance to CLIVAR themes & JSC cross cutting topics and any cross-panel/working group links and interactions involved:** This is directly relevant to the WCRP cross-cutting activities on extremes and drought.
7. **Specific objectives and key agenda items:** Progress and planning for the three components of the GDIS: drought catalog, experimental drought monitoring and prediction (with focus on national pilot studies), and coordinated research on high profile events with ties to user needs
8. **Anticipated outcomes (deliverables):** Obtain institutional commitments on pilot studies and for additional contributions to the experimental drought monitoring and prediction system, develop plan for user participation/interaction, refine plan for GDIS evolution and research infusion.
9. **Format:**
10. **Science Organising Committee (if relevant):** TBD

11. Local Organising Committee (if relevant)

**12. Proposed funding sources and anticipated funding requested from
WCRP: \$20-30K**