

Attending:

Gastil, Li, Kristin, Jonathan, Mark Schildhauer, Marty Downs, Duane Costa, Emory Boose, Don Henshaw, Brian Herndon, Jason Downing, Suzanne Remillard (AND), Yang(KNZ)

Regrets:

possibly Wade late, Margaret (late if at all)
Renee (MCM), Sven(KBS), and Stace (NES)
J. Porter

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Noon pacific / 3pm Eastern.

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<http://im.lternet.edu/node/1298>

1. **Registration** Due date for ESIP:

Early registration (through June 30, 2017) is \$415 for members and \$550 for non-members.

You are all members by your association with LTER. The LTER Network is a "member". I know, confusing.

<http://www.esipfed.org/meetings/upcoming-meetings/esip-summer-meeting-2017>

2. **Hotel** Recommended book-by date:

A few small blocks of rooms have been held at a group rate of \$104, within GSA per diem rates for Bloomington. The blocks will be held until July 7, 2017

3. **Posters:** Session proposal due date past but poster opportunity (see email from Eda)

Research as Art at ESIP Summer Meeting: Eda's email on last Friday. 6/9/2017.

4. **Training** short-vtc series starting tomorrow June 13 (11 Pacific) [Link?](#)

topic of this session is an 'Introduction to R'.

5. **Introductions**

New faces/sites (Renee Brown, MCM; LI Kui, SBC)

(Hint: to remember names introduced in the May VTC see this page) [LINK](#)

Well Renee cannot attend so... next month.

6. **Databits.**

Does IMC want to continue publishing this or let EDI take it over? Background: EDI has a newsletter, but does not want to pre-empt IMC. If IMC wants to continue publishing databits, EDI's can be complementary, not overlapping. EDI wants IMC to advise

7. **Vocab:**

there are opportunities to integrate the LTER controlled vocab with other efforts. How does IMC feel about that? What does LTER need from the CV? Integration would involve collaborations with NCO/Dataone (Mark Schildhauer is planning to attend ESIP).

Mark Sch - D1 developing semantic searches, including vocabulary construction. Carbon cycling is a use case for development. Are striving for compatibility with ENVO (Environment Ontology; <http://www.environmentontology.org>). ADC also keen to extend these vocabularies for their synthesis work. How LTER can contribute to that.

Suzanne - Tematres?

Mark Sch - Tematres is an application for exposing vocabs in skos. Other applications will also need to access and use vocabs in various ways. In D1 the vocabs are used for semantic annotation. Tematres not part of D1 workflow; but Tematres does provide some solutions integrated with PASTA (see Duane's comments below).

ESIP session on ontology, ie SWEET (OWL) from NASA. NBOW from open bio medical, motivated by genomics for documenting context of their samples.

Duane - Temetres currently being used by LTER Data Portal and EDI Data Portal in the browse data by keyword. Nightly the web services generate the terms hierarchy. 570 terms.

Jason: one of many issues that warrant discussion at ESIP if there is opportunity.

Wade: we should consider a broader discussion of communications pathways of which Databits is one component.

8. Elections

Two IMExec members needed for 2017-2019(2020)? if some one interested in this opportunities, please let Gastil or IMExec know. Jason expressed interest.

How do we want to handle any voting as not all IM reps will be attending?

9. Annual Meeting Agenda Crafting

Make rough agenda or items for agenda for all-imc portion of pre-ESIP day -

Crowd-source?

This Weds IM Exec will work on this but we would like broad input today.

Suzanne: do we need to revisit how we are going to conduct ourselves as a committee, our terms of reference, etc? Possibly set up a working group to consider our governance structure.

Mark: Mark and Wade are tasked with identifying mechanisms to expand engagement of IMs and the NCO-sponsored LTER synthesis working groups. Working with investigators will increase synthesis between/among researchers and information manager, for example, some researchers have no knowledge of their IM.

Wade: Need to identify means to learn from these interactions.

Mark: EDI should also be involved in strengthening these connections between researchers and IMs.

EDI workshop last week seemed like a synthesis wg. How differs from an all-science wg at NCO.

EDI does have an advisory committee.

One block of the LTER session on Monday will be closed to discuss governance, elections, etc., others will be listed publicly.

Wade suggests an off-line email to Peter to get his thoughts on a program officer call at the ESIP meeting would be helpful.

Gastil would like input on how they view the IMC in the landscape.

Suzanne: we should push for a call.

NSF and LTER PIs, particularly those on EB, would like to see tangible results from the meeting.

Tim: seconds the idea of identifying the best approaches to addressing LTER informatics.

Suzanne: should we revisit the matrix of systems approaches/software/technologies employed by each of the LTER sites?

Mark: this would be valuable information, particularly expanding to other participations by other programs (e.g., useful to EDI to know how data managed at OBFS and other sites?).

Wade: this could be best addressed an update to our site profiles, would provide basic information where someone interested in a particular technology could reach out for additional information.

IMExec will work on a grid outlining the agenda for the LTER Monday session.

Don: LTER data access policy should be on the agenda, e.g., are we going to have a separate policy?

ESIP main-meeting agenda does **not** show our special Monday sessions.

<https://2017esipsummermeeting.sched.com/>

Miscellanea:

1. Slack
 - a. <https://lter.slack.com/>
 - b. It's handy for one-liners to not clutter email. Like the old IRC.
 - c. Has channels for #im, #edi, #nco, #lter
2. Update from WiReD
3. Data access policy
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