
United Nations Inter-Agency Meeting on

Outer Space Activities

Twenty-ninth session

Vienna, 4-6 March 2009

Item 3(d). Means of strengthening further inter-agency coordination and cooperation in space-related activities.

List of action items following the twenty-eighth session of the Inter-Agency Meeting

| | <i>Responsible entity/entities</i> | <i>Action</i> | <i>Reference*</i> | <i>Remarks</i> |
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| <i>Preparation of a report on initiatives and applications for space-related inter-agency cooperation</i> | | | | |
| 1. | UNOOSA, in cooperation with ECA and in consultation with IAM focal points | Prepare a report on the use of space technology for sustainable development in Africa | Para. 12 | Invitation by IAM |
| <i>Strengthening further inter-agency coordination and cooperation</i> | | | | |
| 2. | UN entities | Enhance inter-agency coordination and cooperation in the following key issues: a) Strengthening further the Inter-Agency Meeting as the UN central mechanism for coordination of space-related activities; b) Reinforcing the contributions by UN entities to the implementation of the United Nations Spatial Data infrastructure (UNSDI); c) Enhancing the use of space-based assets in support of disaster management and making optimal use of opportunities, such as the International Charter "Space and Major Disasters and the new UN-SPIDER programme; and d) Reinforcing the contributions by the UN entities to the GEOSS of GEO and making the optimal use of the GEOSS's benefits to strengthen the capacity of the UN | Para. 14 | Invitation by IAM |
| 3. | UNOOSA | Continue efforts to involve non-participating UN entities and programmes in the Meeting | Para. 17 | Invitation by IAM |
| 4. | UN entities | Continue to streamline the Secretary-General's report and the report of the Meeting as practical tools for addressing operational concerns of the United Nations entities | Para. 19 | Invitation by IAM |

* The relevant paragraph(s) in the report of the Inter-Agency Meeting on the work at its 28th session (A/AC.105/909) are referenced

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| 5. | UNOOSA | Establish a link with the UN System Chief Executives Board for Coordination in view of the increasing role that space technology and its applications had in the work of the United Nations | Para. 20 | Invitation by IAM |
| 6. | UN entities | Promote awareness within the United Nations system, and beyond, of the benefits of space applications by increasing outreach efforts and employing more effectively such means of communication as the website for the United Nations Coordination of Outer Space Activities | Para. 21 | Invitation by IAM |
| <i>Participation in the process of the Group on Earth Observations</i> | | | | |
| 7. | UNOOSA | Approach WMO with a view to clarifying the terms of reference and the procedure for becoming a member of the Inter-agency Coordination and Planning Committee (ICPC) and to inform the members of the Inter-Agency Meeting | Para. 35 | Invitation by IAM |
| <i>Contribution of COPUOS to the work of the Commission on Sustainable Development</i> | | | | |
| 8. | UN entities | Continue to contribute to the report of COPUOS on its contribution to the Commission for the thematic cluster 2010-2011. | Para. 428 | Invitation by IAM |
| <i>Website on the coordination of outer space activities within the UN system and IAM web board</i> | | | | |
| 9. | IAM focal points | Provide OOSA on a regular basis with updated information on their space-related programmes and activities, including relevant website addresses and upcoming activities, for posting on the site of the UN coordination of outer space activities (http://www.uncosa.unvienna.org) | Para. 40 | Invitation by IAM |
| 10. | IAM focal points | Encourage use of the board by United Nations entities with a view to re-assessing its usefulness during the intersessional period and to decide, at the next session, whether to retain or discontinue the board (http://www.itu.int/jive/index.jspa?categoryID=176) | Para. 41 | Invitation by IAM |
| <i>Enhancement of participation of UN entities in the work of IAM and COPUOS</i> | | | | |
| 11. | UNOOSA | Seek ways for the Meeting to report to the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and shift the dates of its annual meetings closer to the sessions of the Committee | Para. 43 | Invitation by IAM |

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| <i>Future sessions of the Inter-Agency Meeting on Outer Space Activities</i> | | | |
| 12. IAM Focal Points | Decide on the agenda items for the twenty-ninth session during the intersessional period | Para. 44 | Invitation by IAM |
| 13. UNOOSA | Host the 2009 session of IAM in Vienna | Para. 46 | Invitation by IAM Dates for 2009 IAM session: 4-6 March 2009 |
| 14. ITU | Host the 2010 session of IAM in Geneva | Para. 47 | Invitation by ITU |