

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Science Committee Meeting for the OceanPredict Symposium 2024

25 September 2023

### Agenda

- Any updates from IOC re room allocations, especially for breakout sessions
- Number of likely breakout sessions
- Update on event advertisement (including final title/tag line)
- Response from TTs about Symposium set up and requirements (discussion)
- Special issue publication

### Attendance

First name	Surname	Affiliation
Enrique	Alvarez	MOi
Eric	Chassignet	FSU
Stephanie	Cuven	MOi
Fraser	Davidson	ECCC
Marie	Drevillon	MOi
Alexander	Kurapov	NOAA
Pierre-Yves	Le Traon	MOi
Ann Kristin	Sperrevik	Met.no
Elisabeth	Rémy	MOi
Liuqian	Yu	HKUST

### Main outcome

- **Any updates from IOC re room allocations, especially for breakout sessions**
  - Marie Dréviillon confirmed the conference rooms booking at the Maison de l'UNESCO in Paris on 18-22 November 2024. In total, 5 rooms are booked (4 splinter rooms which can accommodate 50 pers. & 100 pers. and a plenary room with a capacity of 400 pers.) considering 400 persons expected for the event. So far, there is only one big room booked for plenary sessions (capacity of 400 pers.).
  - Marie provided a cost estimation for rooms & logistics around 90k€ (all included: technical assistance, recording, security, poster printing, etc.) and the estimate cost for catering is around 100 k€. We should consider a potential increase of 10% (subject to the 2024 rate increase). This estimation represents the maximal price with all options included and it might be less expansive in future. The catering will be partly covered by registration fees. A more precise price will be known as soon as the agenda and the time allocated per presentation (probably 15 min) will be defined. The last day of the symposium is restricted to the OPST meeting.
  - Eric Chassignet discussed about communication and the possibility to display videos on OceanPredict, Foresea and SynObs at the Maison de l'UNESCO during all long the symposium. Marie informed the science committee that an exhibition on the grids of the building is in discussion (price, duration 2-3 months, collaboration with UNESCO).
  - Marie suggested that poster sessions might be planned during the full week, with a possible rotation if we receive a high number of poster presentations.

Action 01: Ask to our contact at IOC-UNESCO if they have facilities to project videos during the symposium

- **Number of likely breakout sessions**
  - Subject not really discussed. The committee will address this question when the agenda will be clearer. Time for discussion is important in plenary session and breakout sessions. Possible dedicated training session.
- **Update on event advertisement (including final title/tag line)**
  - The Science Committee agreed on title: “Advancing ocean prediction science for societal benefits”

Action 01: Validate this title by OPAS members at the OPAS meeting scheduled on September 27, 2023

Action 02: Launch the Save the Date

- **Response from TTs about Symposium set up and requirements (discussion)**

The IV-TT and OS-Eval-TT co-chairs have responded to the Symposium set up and requirements survey.

→ Gregory Smith (IV-TT co-chair) is wondering that limiting the number of parallel session could decrease participation and/or force a more difficult review process to select fewer abstracts. He proposes to request additional information when submitting abstracts to be able to better make decisions regarding diversity. Yosuke Fujii (OS-Eval-TT co-chair) suggested 2-3 parallels sessions, with the possibility to record presentations and open them from the web page later, or to provide short oral presentation time (2 or 3 minutes) for the poster presentations (kind of long flush talks)

  - Eric Chassignet was wondering that the presentations recording could decrease the participation in-person. The online participation should be active with the possibility to ask questions online. Marie Drévilion detailed the zoom system which will permit the online audience to follow and participate remotely (opening zoom webinar on Youtube), without additional cost. This will be restricted to registered participants. Fraser Davidson suggested that remote presentation can be a possible option for people who cannot travel. Limiting the remote presentation as much as possible. This option can be encouraged for people from country with difficulties to travel, in agreement with the Ocean Decade scope and because of the partnership with the UNESCO.

→ Gregory Smith suggests a dedicated session to intercomparison and validation.

→ Yosuke Fijii (behalf the SynObs) considers the OP’24 as the opportunity to showcasing the SynObs achievements. He suggests a joint session with others UN Ocean Decade groups would be effective (such as CoastPredict, Ocean Observing Codesign, DITTO, and DCC Ocean Prediction) and collaboration with social specialist can also be considered.
- **Special issue publication**
  - No planning budget for a special issue. Frontiers has been mentioned.