



PREFACE Kick-Off Meeting  
02-04 December 2013 at UCM, Madrid,  
Spain



## Meeting Agenda

### Day 1 (02.12.13 –Monday)

- 08:30 **Registration**
- 09:00 **Welcome** from organisers, and any logistics
- 09:10 Short overview of PREFACE and goals of the Kick Off meeting (*Noel Keenlyside*)
- 09:30 **Core Theme (CT) overview** presentations (10mins + 5mins for questions)  
**CT2:** Role of ocean processes in climate variability (*Peter Brandt/Alban Lazar*)  
**CT3:** Evaluation of current climate models and bias reduction (*Thomas Toniazzo/ Emilia Sanchez-Gomez*)  
**CT4:** Climate prediction in the Tropical Atlantic (*Francisco Doblas-Reyes/Belen Rodriguez-Fonseca*)  
**CT5:** Impacts on pelagic functional diversity and western African fisheries (*Patrice Brehmer/Jörn Schmidt*)
- 10:30 **Coffee break**
- 11:00 CT break out groups (**Parallel sessions**)  
Finalise the work package (WP) presentations for the afternoon;  
WPs objectives and role in the project  
Work plan for the first year  
Interaction among WPs and CTs  
Upcoming milestones and deliverables
- 12:00 **Lunch**
- 13:00 CT break out groups discussion continued (**Parallel sessions**)  
CT2:  
CT3&4: common topics for modelling WP (WP5-11):  
Data sharing  
Analysis of model integration  
Mechanisms for collaboration  
Planning for coordinated experiments  
CT5:
- 15:30 **Coffee break**
- 16:00 CT2 - WP presentations  
**WP3** Heat and freshwater budgets, air-sea interaction  
**WP4** Circulation and wave response  
**WP5** Joint observations – model comparison
- 16:45 CT3 - WP presentations  
**WP6** Coupled basin-wide processes determining the climatology  
**WP7** Relation between the background state (error) and variability  
**WP8** Influence of remote systematic errors
- 17:30 Close
- 17:45 **Icebreaker on campus**



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### Day 2 (03.12.13 –Tuesday)

- 09:00 CT4 - WP presentations  
**WP9** TAV on seasonal and longer time scales and its global impacts  
**WP10** Statistical methods to assess and improve forecast of TAV  
**WP11** Improvements in climate prediction and projection
- 09:45 CT5 - WP presentations  
**WP12** Environmental and anthropogenic pressures on ecosystems and fisheries  
**WP13** Evaluating environmental and socio-economic effects
- 10:15 **Coffee break**
- 10:45 **CT1:** Project management and dissemination (*Noel Keenlyside/Mahaut de Vareilles*)  
(roles of CT and WP leaders, scientific steering and executive board (SSEB), management board (MB), governance panels, external scientific advisory panel (ESAP), website and management software,...)
- 11:15 **Financial reporting** (*Ellen Ingeborg Hætta/Robert Clarke*)
- 11:45 **Election of Governance Panel members:**  
Arbitration and Gender  
Integration of Science and Partners  
Data policies (Data and Dissemination)
- 12:00 **Lunch**
- 14:00 CT discussion continued (**Parallel sessions**)  
Discussions considering previous presentations  
CT-specific discussion, including milestones and deliverables within year 1
- 15:00 **Coffee break**
- 15:30 Cross-cutting discussion (**Plenary**)  
Joint milestones and deliverables  
Ocean processes  
Ocean-atmosphere-land interactions  
Predicting Tropical Atlantic climate and its impacts  
Appoint panel members  
Plan possible future cross-cutting theme meetings
- 16:00 **Perspectives of ICPC** partners in PREFACE (role and expectations within project)  
(20mins + 10mins for questions)
- 16:30 **International cooperations** (*Ping Chang*)
- 16:40 **Input from ESAP**
- 17:10 Close
- 18:00 **City tour.** The tour will end in front of the restaurant. **Meeting Dinner** at 20:00



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#### Day 3 (04.12.13 –Wednesday)

09:00 **Management Board meeting**

(1 participant per partner must attend)

09:30 Time for individual WP/CT discussions:

WP6, MS20, Meeting to discuss diagnostics and analysis strategies

EAF Nansen data

Other mid-term workshops planned in WP14

WP6, MS20, Meeting to discuss

Visits to European labs and vice versa

Financial and reporting session

Others ??

Financial/management questions

11:00 **Coffee break**

11:30 **Project integration** (data management) (*Marek Ostrowski/Benjamin Pfeil*)

12:00 **Meeting close** (wrap-up, next meeting,...)

12:30-

-14:00 **SSEB lunch meeting**

(Capacity building, workshops and summer schools,...)