**LTER IM Meeting, July 11-13, Sheraton World Resort, Orlando, FL**

PM 6:30-10:30 Mixer: At the Sheraton

Light Dinner Provided: Selection of appetizers: peppered tuna, curried chicken and papaya, tartarlette of shrimp, mushroom caps, crab cakes, coconut shrimp, pasta with marinara sauce, fruit tray and vegetable tray & cash bar

**Thursday**

11-Jul Program

8 pm Henry Gholz
8:30 Eda Melendez: Survey Results
8:45 Wade Sheldon: Taxonomic Database Application at GCE
9:00 Nicole Kaplan and Karen Baker: Tracing our roots: an experience in documenting our family tree at the SGS and PAL.

**Friday**

AM 8:00-8:15 Welcome (Stafford)

8:15-10:00 Network Office update (Brunt) (30 min)
NIS Advisory Group appointed by CC---strategize about how to coordinate with this group as NIS develops (Benson) (15 min)
Review of site participation (Benson) (15 min)
Planning Future Developments
*tools that build on EML (Porter) (15 min)
*databases from intersite synthesis projects (Ackerman report on Invasive Species (15 min))
ClimDB: status report (Henshaw) (15 min)
10:00-10:15 Break
10:15-10:45 Discussion of NIS led by James

Tony Fountain (SDSC) -- Web Services Model for ClimDB (15 minute presentation + discussion of web services)

PM 12:15-1:15 LUNCH

Friday 1:15 - 2:00 EML and Web Services: Peter McCartney discusses how EML fits into web services model and answers questions
Metadata workshop follow-up (McCartney)
*Next steps
Working Groups on NIS (Is the EML standard meeting our needs? Brainstorming session on data catalogs, etc. Future developments?)
2:30-3:00 BREAK
3:00-4:00 Working Groups Continue
3:40-4:30 Reports from Working Groups
4:30-5:00 Henry Gholz Conference Call

AM 8:00-8:15 SCI2002 Session Information

8:15-8:45 Outreach

Schoolyard LTER (Baker) (15 min)
RDISF Activities (Michener) (15 min)

Technology

8:45-9:30 ITR proposal (Michener) (15 min)
GIS Workshop (McCartney) (15 min)
Technology Committee Report (Vande Castle -- 15 minutes)
Helena Karasti/Karen Baker (LTER Heterogeneity: A Study Integrating Ethnographic and Participatory Design Techniques)

9:30-10:00 Design Techniques
10:00-10:15 Break

10:15-11:00 Judy Cushing and Erik Ordway: Database design using predefined templates for the purposes of data comparability and documentation

11:00-12:00 CLOSED Business Meeting (Stafford)

CLOSED Meeting Report (Porter & McCartney) (20 min)
Databits Report (Powell) (10 min)
Election of IMEXEC reps (20 min)
12:00-1:15 Lunch

1:15 - 2:00 Planning for next All-Scientists Meeting (September 14-18)
*Come on September 13?
*Who will be on meeting organizing committee?
*What workshops will be offer, etc? Brainstorming session.

PM 2:00-3:00 Mentoring web-page working groups (John Anderson and Kristin Vanderbilt)

1)site review preparation document originally written by Peter McCartney
2)Site information management
3)Network Level Information Management Responsibilities
4) References and history of LTER Information Management
5) Training opportunities
6) Communications

3:00-3:15 Break
3:15-4:00 Reports from groups; volunteers will offer to complete writing sections for web page
4:00-5:00 **Wrap-Up Session (Stafford)**

**Site Flashes**

Link to Information Manager Presentations at SCI2002, or view local copies via links below

- The Ecoinformatics Challenge: Meeting Ecological Information Needs for the Site, Network, and Community.
- Using XML-encoded Metadata as a Basis for Advanced Information Systems for Ecological Research.
- Integrating Ecological Data: Tools and Techniques
- Bringing everyday practices and lived experiences into the LTER metadata discussion
- Through the looking glass: What do we see, what have we learned, what can we share?

John Porter's notes from the meeting:

- [Part I](#)
- [Part II](#)

**Photo Gallery**