SCAR MoUs and other Agreements
Executive Summary

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Introduction/ Background: In pursuit of its Vision and Mission, SCAR often forms partnerships as an efficient means to achieve its goals and objectives (see IP 2). In some instances, a formal agreement is signed as a means to outline the mutual benefits of such a partnership.

Important Issues or Factors: In 2013 several agreements were renewed during the IASC Council meeting in Poland and signed on behalf of SCAR by the SCAR President: (a) Renewal of the Letter of Agreement between SCAR, IASC and IACS, (b) Renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding between APECS, IASC and SCAR (c) Renewal the Memorandum of Understanding between CliC, IASC and SCAR.

In 2014, again during the IASC Council Meeting (this time in Finland), a new Memorandum of Understanding between the European Polar Board, IASC and SCAR was signed (again by the President) and the Memorandum of Understanding between the International Permafrost Association, IASC and SCAR was renewed.

MoUs and other agreements can now be viewed from the new SCAR website at: http://www.scar.org/partnerships/agreements

Recommendations/Actions and Justification: Initial discussions on a possible MoU or other agreement between SCAR and the Asian Forum on Polar Sciences (AFOPS) have been held by the SCAR EXCOM and within AFOPS. Delegates are invited to propose other agreements, noting that such agreements should be seen to encourage mutually beneficial active partnerships.

Partners: IASC, APECS, IACS, CliC, IGS, EPB, IPA and others...

Budget Implications: N/A