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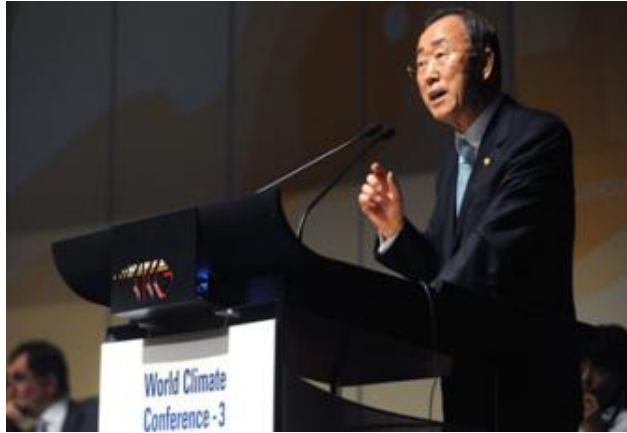
Global Framework for Climate Services (GFCS)

--Challenges and Opportunities to the CGMS Community

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A historic event (31 Aug – 4 Sept, 2009, Geneva)





WMO Cg-16 (2011) Decisions on Five Key Priorities for 2012-2015

- ✓ **Global Framework for Climate Services (GFCS)**
- ✓ **WMO Integrated Global Observing System/
WMO Information System (WIGOS/WIS)**
- ✓ **Capacity building**
- ✓ **Disaster Risk Reduction**
- ✓ **Aeronautical meteorology**



The Global Framework for Climate Services (GFCS)—A New Partnership Process



**31 AUGUST–
4 SEPTEMBER 2009**
WORLD CLIMATE
CONFERENCE-3

11–12 JANUARY 2010
INTERGOVERNMENTAL
MEETING

16 MAY–3 JUNE 2011
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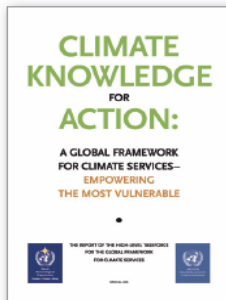
25 JUNE–3 JULY 2012
SIXTY-FOURTH SESSION
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2009

2010

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2012



2010
HIGH-LEVEL TASKFORCE

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*CLIMATE KNOWLEDGE
FOR ACTION: A GLOBAL
FRAMEWORK FOR
CLIMATE SERVICES –
EMPOWERING THE
MOST VULNERABLE*



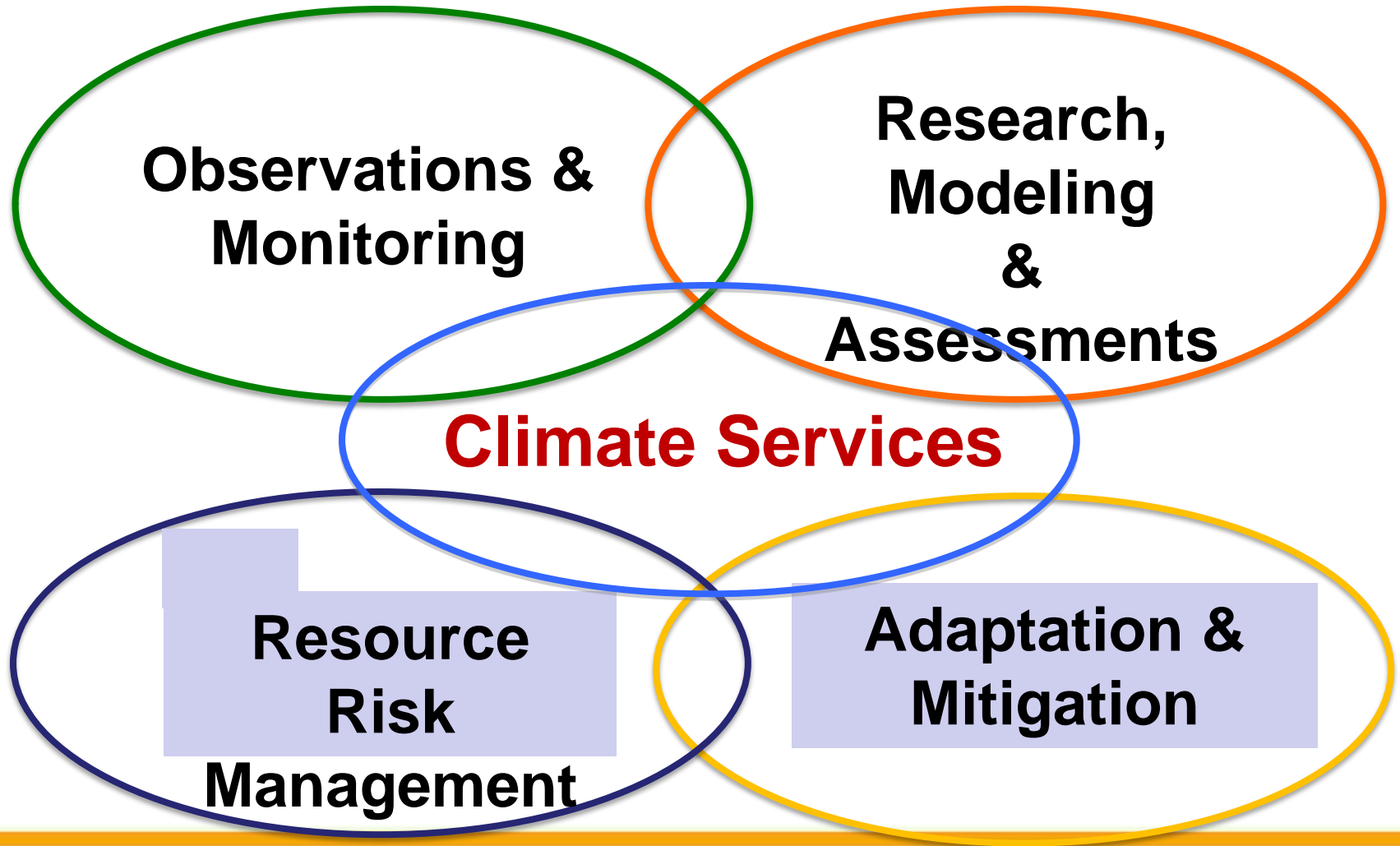
JUNE 2011
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
GLOBAL FRAMEWORK FOR
CLIMATE SERVICES OFFICE IN
THE WMO SECRETARIAT



26–31 OCTOBER 2012
WMO GFCS USER
CONFERENCE AND
EXTRAORDINARY
CONGRESS



Climate Services will Require an Unprecedented Level of Collaboration





Why should the health sector engage?

Meteorological conditions affect some of the largest disease burdens:

- Undernutrition kills 3.5 million/yr
- Diarrhoea kills 2.2 million/yr
- Malaria kills 900,000/yr
- Hydrometeorological extremes kill 10s of thousands, and cause multiple other health effects





Exemplary Grand Challenges: Droughts

Satellite monitoring of soil moisture can support agriculture/food security, DRR, Water and health

**WCRP Workshop on Drought Predictability and Prediction
in a Changing Climate Barcelona, March 2011**

Three Major Recommendations:

1. Drought Catalogue

Summarizing key drivers of global drought events.

2. Case Studies

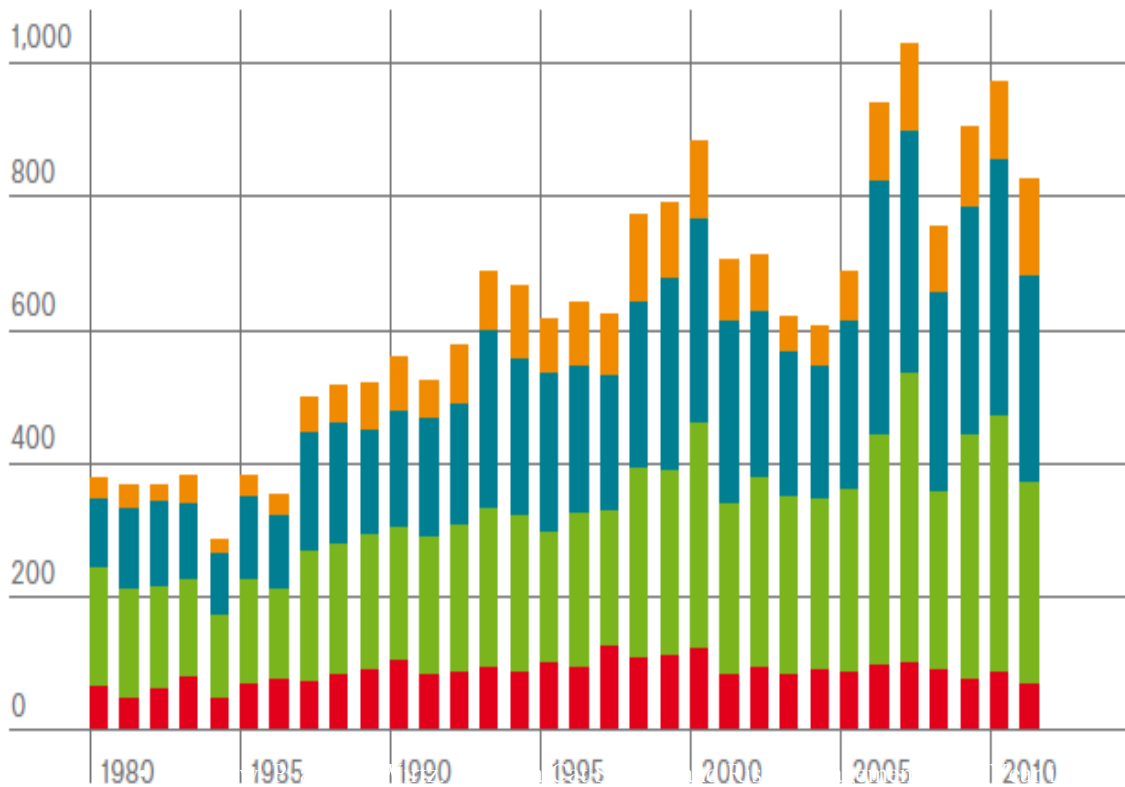
Focusing on large-scale and regional issues in areas where drought is a key issue.

3. Develop Drought Early Warning System



Natural disasters 1980-2011

Number of natural catastrophes 1980-2011



- Geophysical events: Earthquake, volcanic eruption
- Meteorological events: Tropical storm, winter storm, severe weather, hail, tornado, local storm
- Hydrological events: Storm surge, river flood, flash flood, mass movement (landslide)
- Climatological events: Heat-wave, cold wave, wildfire, drought



The following key challenges have been identified through widespread consultations with experts of key communities (challenges similarly identified in GCOS)

- **Accessibility:** *many countries do not have climate services at all, and all countries have scope to improve access to such services.*
 - **Capacity:** *many countries lack the capacity to anticipate and manage climate related risks and opportunities.*
 - **Data:** *the current availability and quality of climate observations and impacts data are inadequate for large parts of the globe.*
 - **Partnership:** *interactions between climate service users and providers are not always well developed, and user requirements are not always adequately understood and addressed.*
 - **Quality:** *operational climate services are lagging advances in climate and applications sciences, and the spatial and temporal resolution of information is often insufficient to match user requirements.*
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Initial GFCS priority areas

Provide opportunities for new partnership to address new observational requirements through user communities

Agriculture



Water



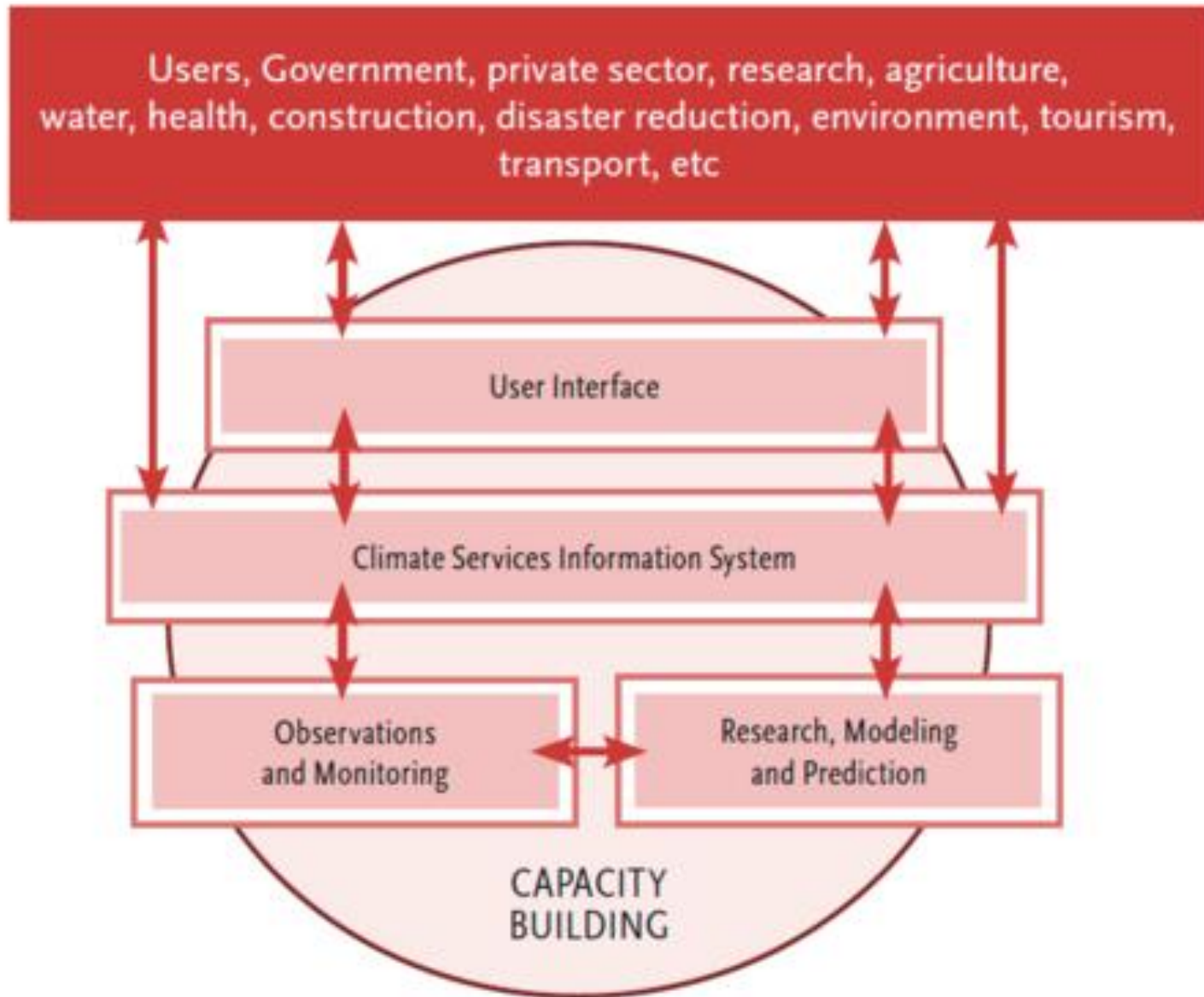
Health



Disaster Risk Reduction



GFCS components





GFCS Implementation Plan

Chapter 1: Introduction

Chapter 2: Benefits from GFCS

Chapter 3: Issues to be addressed
in implementation

Chapter 4: Implementation priorities

Chapter 5: Enabling mechanism

Chapter 6: Resources mobilization

Chapter 7: Conclusions and
recommendations

Annex 1: UIP

Annex 2: CSIS

Annex 3: Obs & Mon

Annex 4: Res & Mod

Annex 5: Cap Dev

Exempl.: Water

Exempl.: Dis.Risk Red.

Exempl.: Health

Exempl.: Agric./Food
Security



Observations & Monitoring Pillar

- Existing capabilities for climate observation and data exchange provide a strong basis for improving climate services globally.
 - In this respect, the Framework will benefit from **existing surface-based and satellite-based observing systems that already provide a wealth of data**
 - In recent decades, satellite data have contributed very significantly to climate datasets and are the only way to provide global coverage of some parameters
 - **The Architecture for Climate Monitoring from Space is a key component of GFCS**
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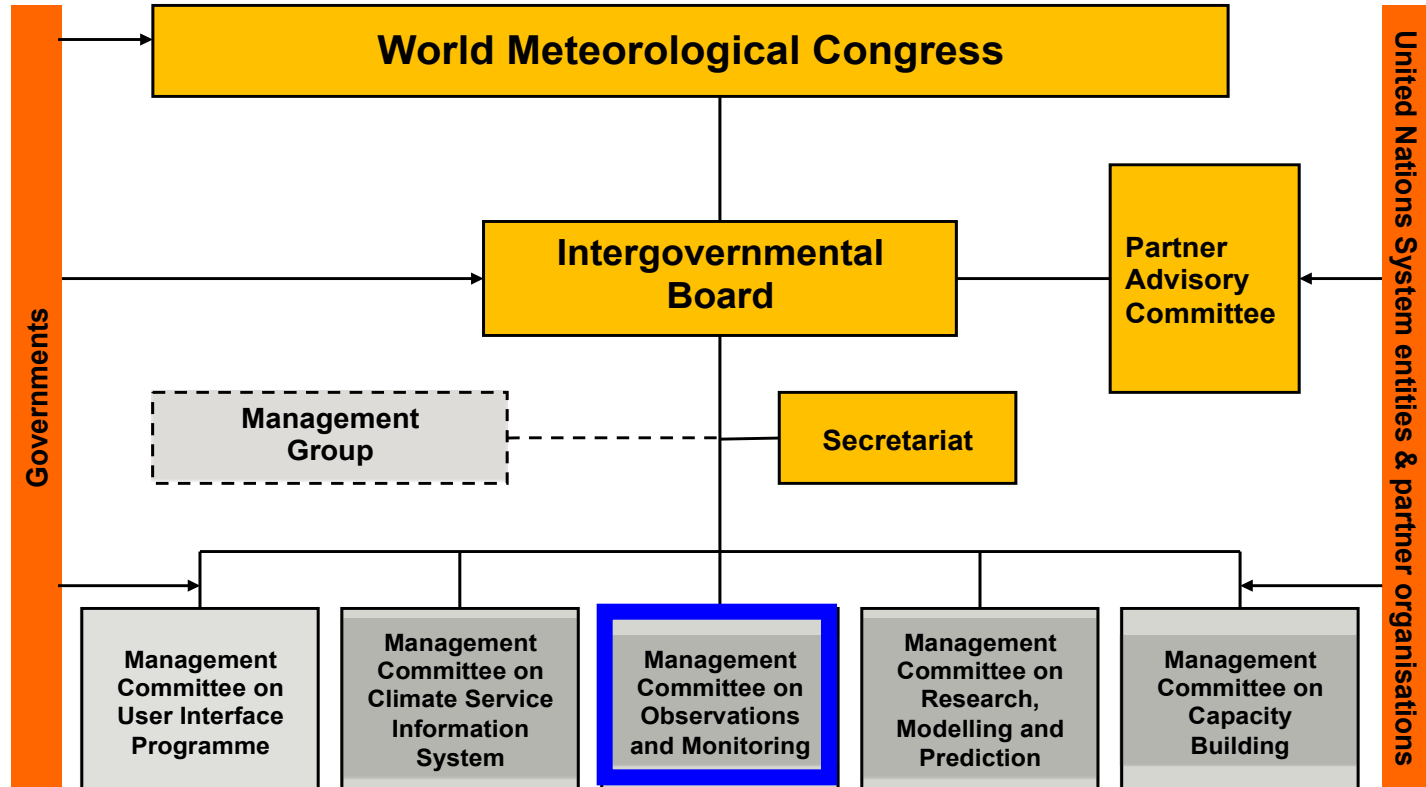


Observations & Monitoring Pillar

- The specific role of the pillar is to re-focus and strengthen such systems to support climate services:
 - Address **important gaps in climate observations**, including the weaknesses of the observation networks in the most vulnerable, risk-prone and remote areas of LDC & developing countries
 - Address **transforming research-based observations into operations, promotes the integration of remotely-sensed and *in situ* observations**
 - Promote **free and open exchange of climate-relevant observational data** while respecting property rights and national and international policies.
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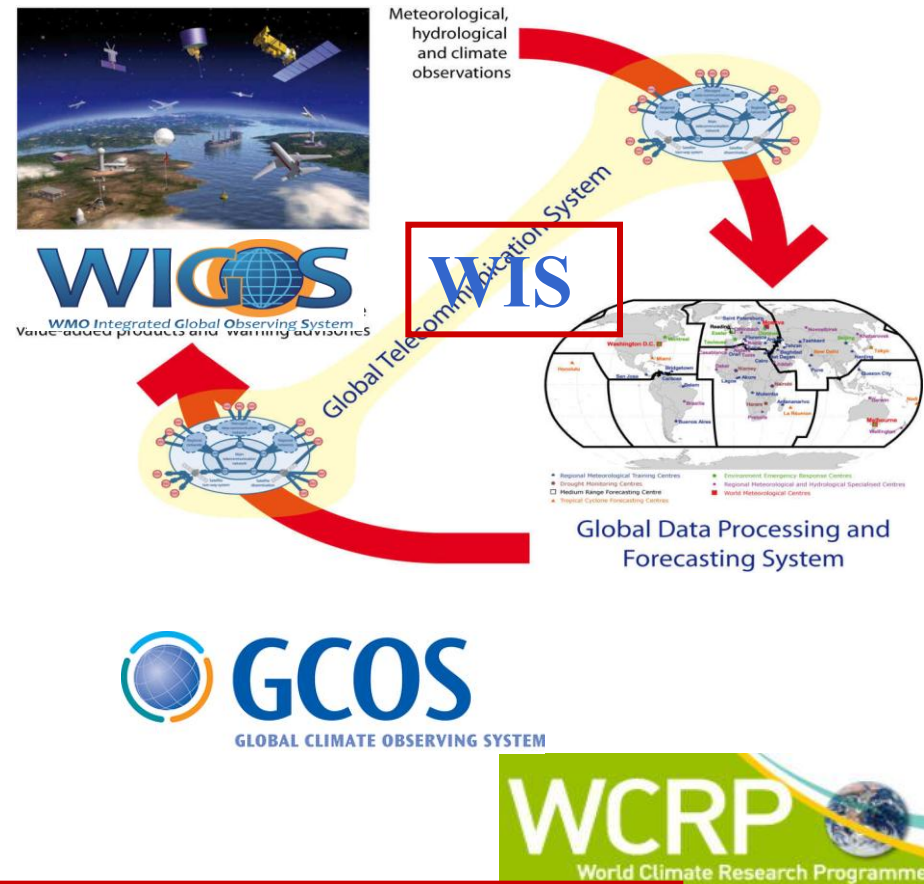
Governance Structure





The contribution of WMO to the Development of GFCS

- WMO with its Members, bodies and co-sponsored programmes will provide only a component needed to build the framework
- GFCS is a global collective effort being built in collaboration with UN family, partners and stakeholders (CGMS, CEOS & GEO)



The Space Architecture is a key component of GFCS.





Thank you



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Global Framework for Climate Services



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WMO Integrated Global Observing System (WIGOS)

Key Tasks to the Space Component

CGMS 40, Lugano, Switzerland

5 – 9 Nov. 2012

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WMO INTEGRATED GLOBAL OBSERVING SYSTEM (WIGOS)---Background

WMO Global Observing Systems

➤ Global Observing Systems (WWW/GOS)

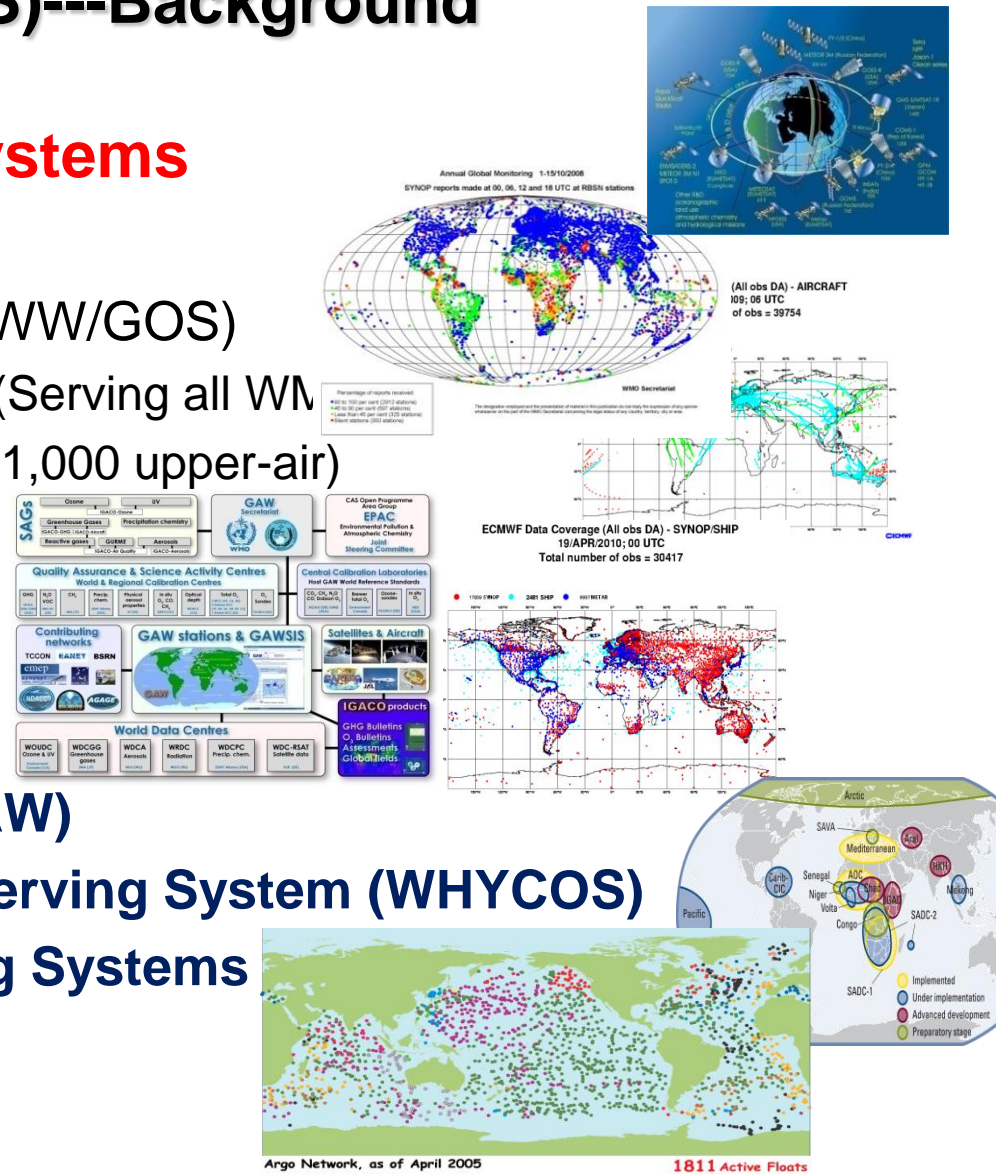
- Space-based observing system (Serving all WMO)
- RBSN, RBCN (>10,000 stations, 1,000 upper-air)
- AMDAR (39754/day)
- Ship & Marine obs (30417/day)
- Surface-based remote sensing
- Meso-scale networks

➤ Global Atmosphere Watch (GAW)

➤ World Hydrological Cycle Observing System (WHYCOS)

➤ WMO Co-sponsored Observing Systems

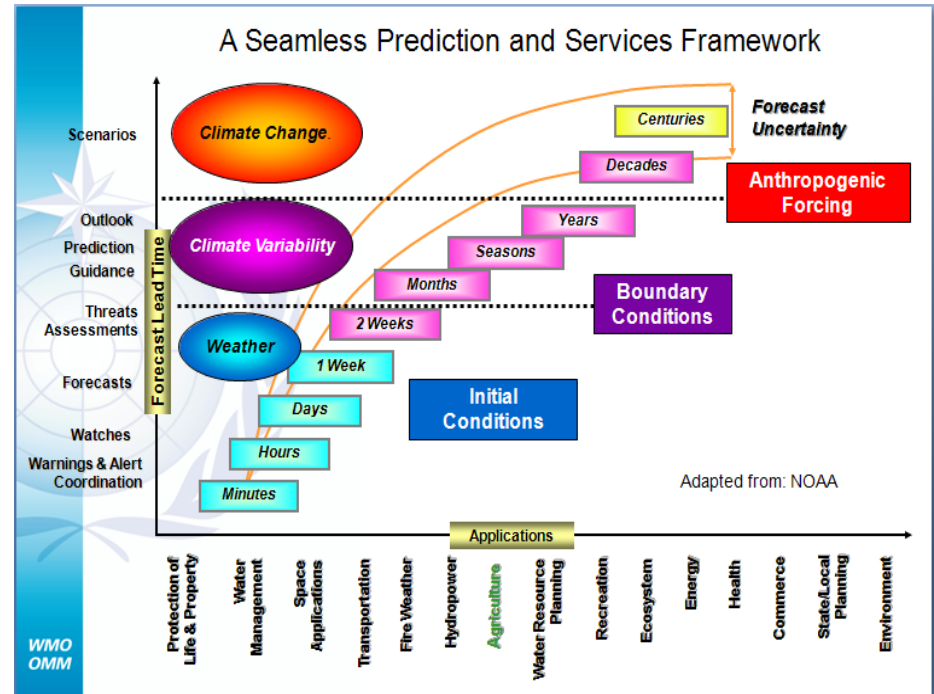
- GCOS, GOOS, GTOS



□ WMO Cg-16 (2011) decisions to Implement

WMO INTEGRATED GLOBAL OBSERVING SYSTEM (WIGOS)

The key word is Integration:
promote synergy among systems
The whole is more than the sum of the parts--Aristotle



1. What is WIGOS



Need an Integrated Global Observing System to meet all requirements in a cost-effective manner

KEY ACTIVITY AREAS FOR WIGOS IMPLEMENTATION

1. Management of WIGOS implementation (EC, RAs, TCs, ICG)
2. Collaboration with WMO and co-sponsored observing systems (including Space agencies & satellite operators)
3. Design, planning and optimized evolution
4. Integrated Observing System operation and maintenance
5. Integrated Quality Management
6. Standardization, system interoperability and data compatibility
7. The WIGOS Operational Information Resource
8. Data and metadata management, delivery and archival
9. Capacity development
10. Communication and outreach

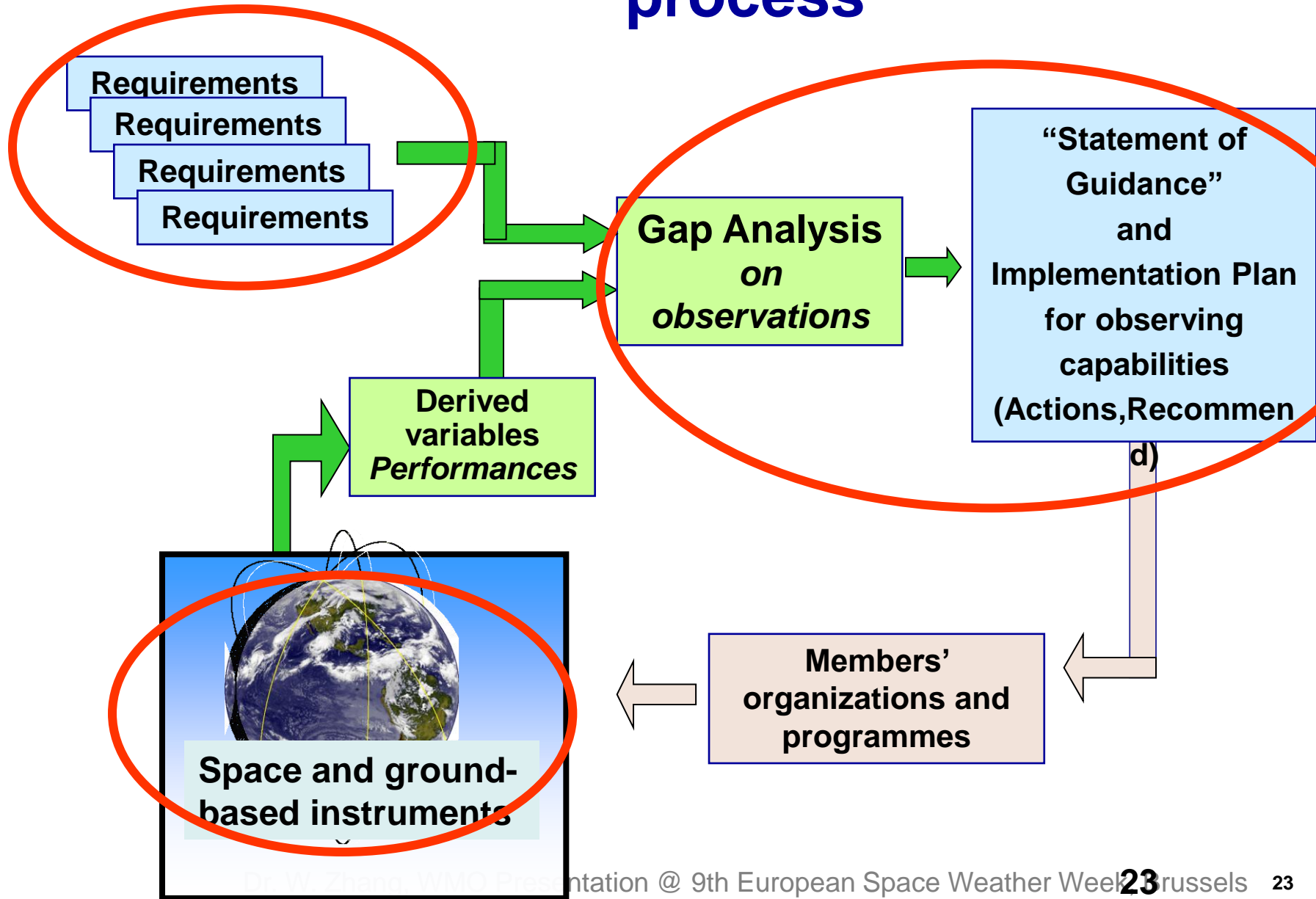
WIGOS Framework Implementation Plan

Key Activity Areas for WIGOS Implementation

2. Collaboration with WMO and co-sponsored OSs

Develop guidance, mechanisms and procedures for engagement coordination and collaboration with partner organizations	2014	ICG-WIGOS Partners
Develop the Architecture for Climate Monitoring from Space (ACMS) focusing on GFCS four priorities	2013-2015	CGMS CEOS CBS, WMOSP
Examine and recommend areas where closer regional cooperation and coordination would be beneficial	2012-2015	Satellite user conferences •EUMESAT •Asia/oceania, •NOAA
Establish closer collaboration at the national level , within NMHS, with other government agencies, and with potential external data providers	2012-2014	Members RAs

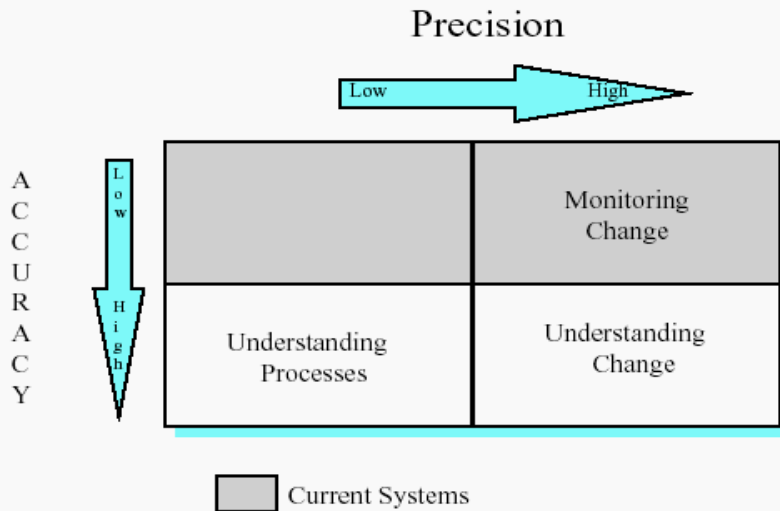
WMO Rolling Requirements Review process



Review of a capability: IR sounding from LEO



Ensure that the **quality** of the observations from space meets users requirements



Accuracy, Precision
 Representativeness
 Measurement traceability
 Long-time series stability
 Reducing uncertainty

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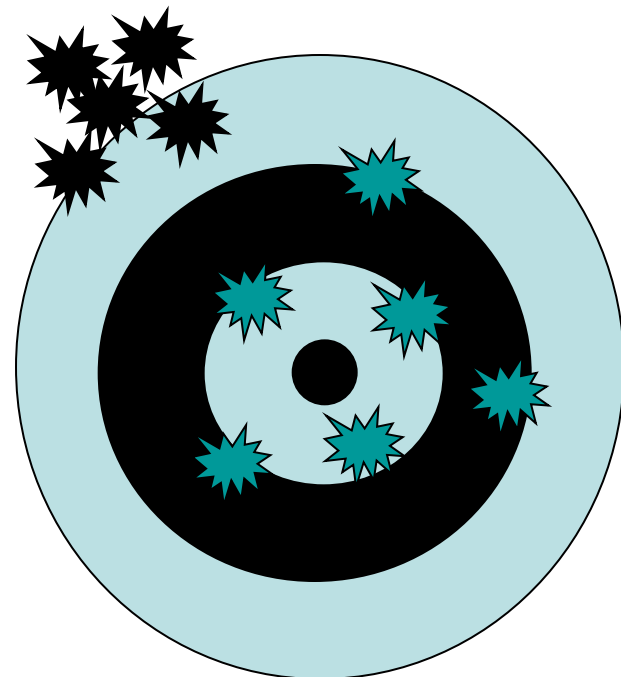
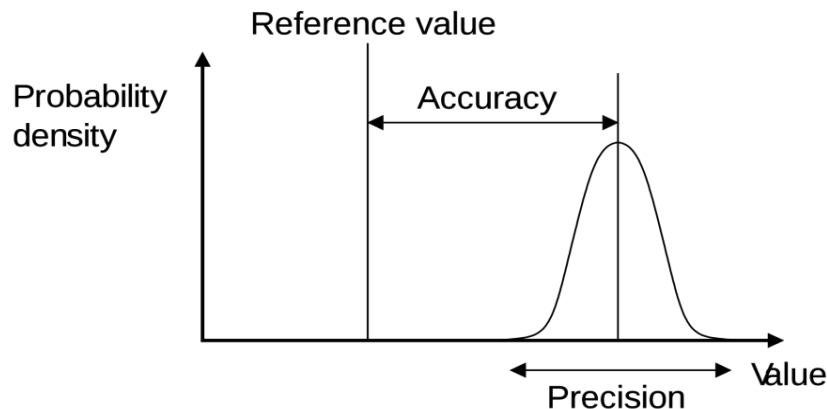


Fig. 1 The climate measurement problem - understanding climate processes requires accuracy (a measurement system), monitoring climate change requires high precision (a monitoring system), detection and understanding climate change requires both high precision and high accuracy (a climate observing system).



Global Space-based Inter-calibration System (GSICS)



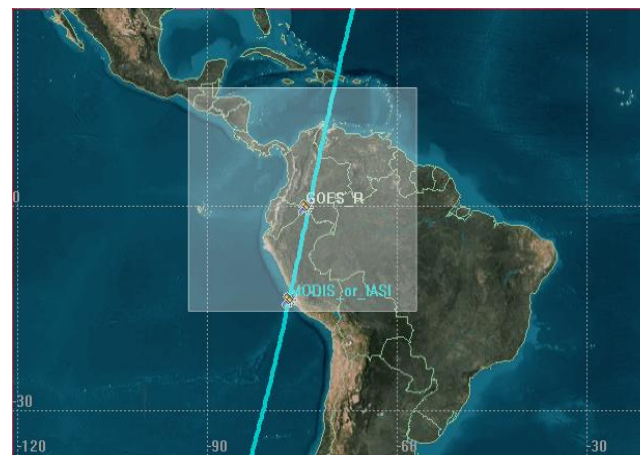
**CMA-CNES-EUMETSAT-IMD-ISRO-JAXA-JMA-KMA-
-NOAA-NASA-NIST-Roshydromet-USGS-WMO**

LEO-LEO intercalibration



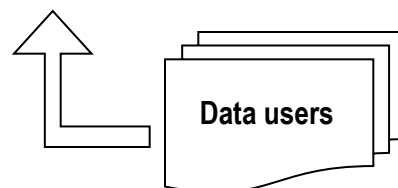
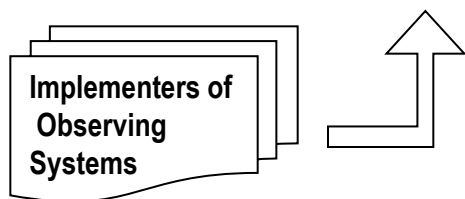
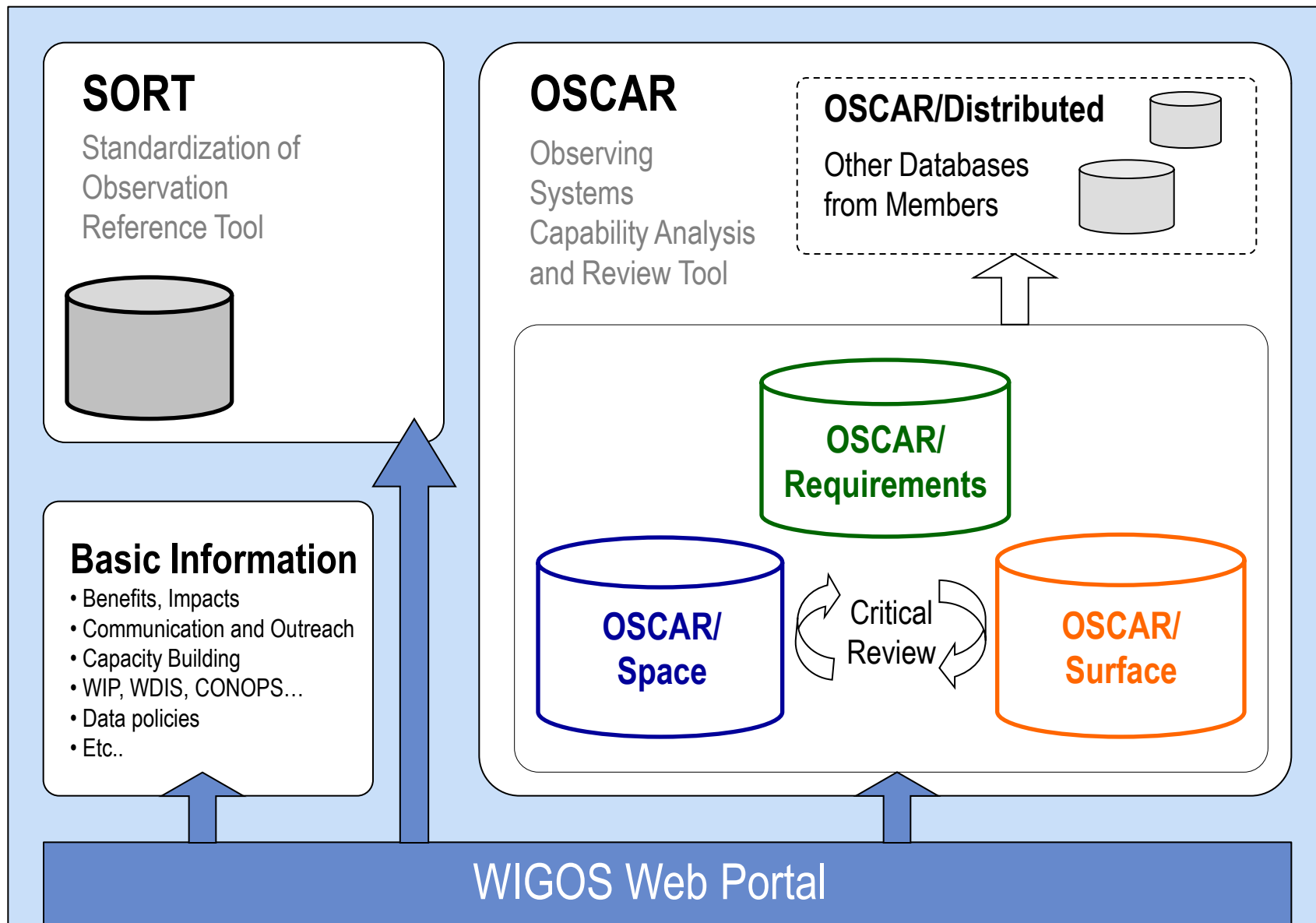
- Routine IR inter-calibration against IASI and AIRS on simultaneous overpass
- VIS and MW calibration under development

GEO versus LEO



More on:

<http://gsics.wmo.int>



Three Legal Governance Pillars of WMO



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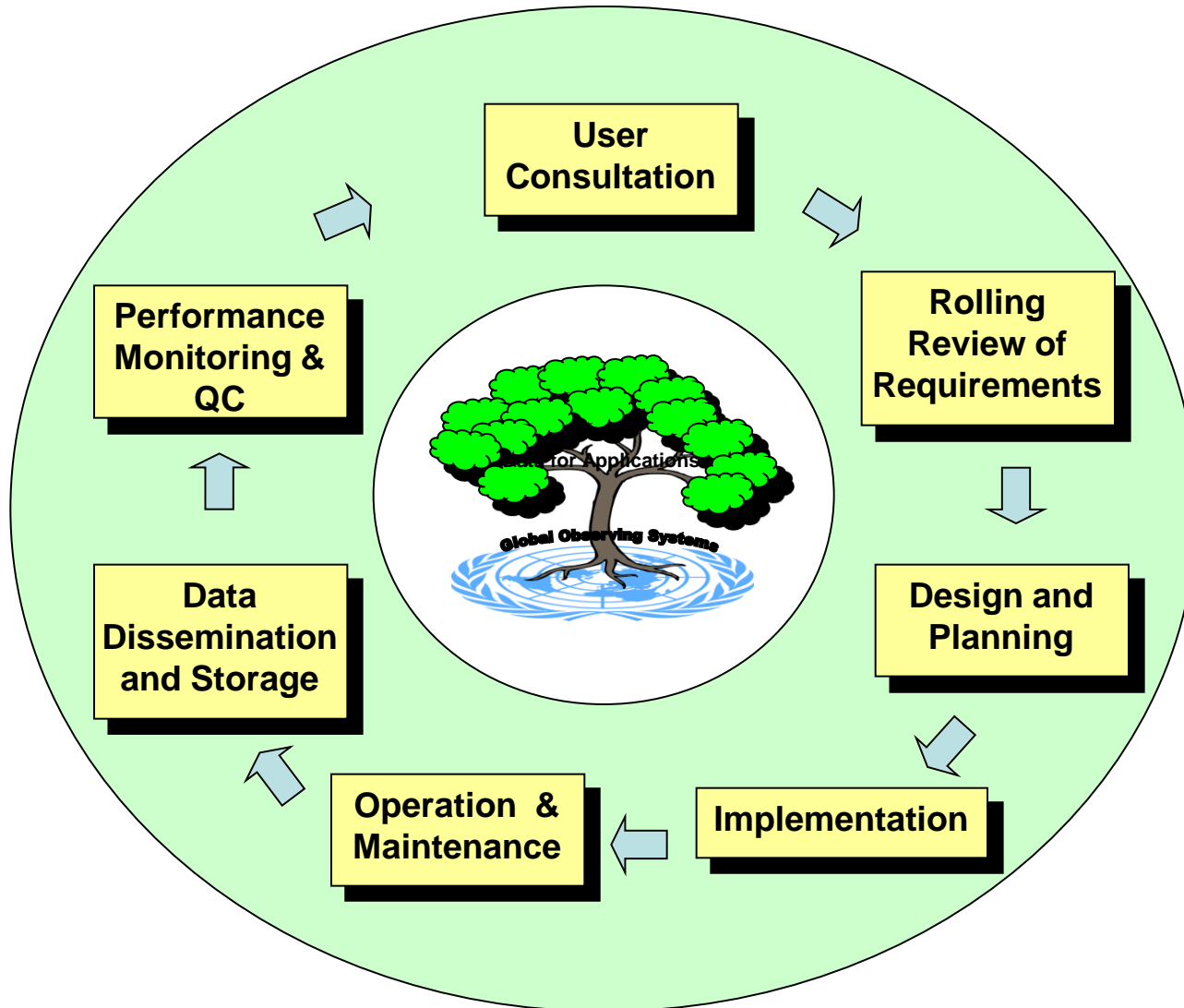
Manage WIGOS Implementation through Integrated Technical Regulations

---Promote recommended to standard practices and procedures

Update WMO Technical Regulations: engage all observing systems

Standard practices and procedures	Recommended practices and procedures
<i>necessary</i> for Members to follow or implement	<i>desirable</i> for Members to follow or implement
distinguished by the use of the term <i>shall</i>	distinguished by the use of the term <i>should</i>
status of <i>requirements</i>	status of <i>recommendations</i>
defined in a technical resolution	
Members shall <i>do their utmost to implement</i>	Members <i>urged to comply</i> with
Article 9(b) of the Convention <i>is applicable</i>	Article 9(b) of the Convention <i>is not applicable</i>
Members <i>shall inform</i> SG of inability or impracticability of implementation	No requirement
GR 128 is applicable	GR 128 is not applicable

WIGOS: OPERATIONAL CYCLE



Conclusion remark

- **Benefits of WIGOS**

- *Enhanced Members' ability* to meet expanding national mandates and achieve higher *national and international visibility* –including space agencies;
- WIGOS provides a framework for *improved collaboration and coordination* within and beyond WMO;
- Enhanced observing capabilities from space, including **space architecture for climate monitoring** will be vital for success of WIGOS

Thanks for your attention !!