Report on the JSC Meeting of World Climate Research Programme (WCRP)

At the annual JSC meeting of WCRP in Arcachon, France, 31 March - 4 April 2008, the progress in implementing the WCRP Strategic Framework 2005-2015 and its future directions were discussed. The main activities of WCRP JSC meeting were as follows:

1. WCRP has been calling for cross-cutting issues such as anthropogenic climate change, atmospheric chemistry and climate, monsoon, extreme events, seasonal prediction, sea-level rise, etc. There were reports from cross-cutting programs, the implementation of the WCRP strategic framework 2005-2015 and its future direction (after the sunset).

2. Change of the leadership. Dr. John Church has completed his eight-year service and stepped down from the chairmanship. Dr. Tony Busalacchi was elected the new chair of WCRP. Dr. Ghrassem Asrar has replaced Dr. Anne Henderson Sellers to act as the new Director of the WCRP Office.

On behalf of IUGG, Dr. G. Wu, the IUGG liaison to WCRP and IAMAS President, welcomed the WCRP scientists to fully use IUGG as a science forum and provide their support to IUGG.

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