

8th PAC meeting (Brussels, 6-7 June): short report

TOPICS

- ▶ **ALADIN planning and reporting**
- ▶ **ALADIN program definition and activities**
- ▶ **Cooperation agreements and membership**
- ▶ **Resource matters**
- ▶ **Date and place of the next meeting**

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ALADIN planning and reporting

- ▶ **10-y WP (2008-2017):** a proposal to submit to GA, based on
 - *BRAC-HR meeting (May 2010)*
 - *2nd strategy meeting (September 2011, on a short format version)*
 - *DA and EPS experts consultation*
 - *technical analysis of the overlap/disjoint goals between the ALADIN and HIRLAM strategies*

- ▶ **Progress report:** it is useful; a light version should be given to GA

- ▶ **Preparation of the 2012 WP:** priorities and procedures for the 2012 WP were endorsed
 - *PM efforts to kick off the verification task force*

ALADIN program definition and activities

- ▶ **SURFEX:** it was agreed the creation and shape of a Steering Committee
 - *in-depth discussions about SURFEX should then be discussed in this SC*
- ▶ **“Convergence”:** focus on action C, “3MT in ARPEGE” instead of action D, “ICE3 in ALARO”
- ▶ **Radar DA:** coordinated efforts endorsed; list of requirements to OPERA
- ▶ **maintenance issues; local technical knowledge transfer, OOPS:**
 - *attention was given to the need to train people on maintenance practices*
 - *we should investigate the impact of OOPS on our work; ECMWF plans and strategy should be clearly known; eventual need to train developers on C++*
- ▶ **CSSI/LTM/ST/ACNA issues:**
 - *attention was given to the need to fulfill the ACNA position*

Cooperation agreements and membership

▶ **Ukraine:** no progress after their first intention

- *initiative is up to Ukraine*

Resource matters

▶ **Man power status:** guidelines for reporting practices have been accepted

- *attention was given to the fact that there is always a lack of developers*

▶ **Budget matters:**

- *attention was given to the actual budget constraints of the members*
- *we should stick to the current system*
- *travel expenses for meeting purposes should be reduced when possible*

▶ **PAC's first guidance for the 2012 budget:**

- *PM will make a first proposition based on the workplan; after that it is a mechanism of offer and demand*

Date and place of the next meeting

- ▶ **Next PAC meeting:** Slovakia, on the 4th and 5th of June 2012
 - *kind invitation of Slovak Hydrometeorological Institute*

THANK YOU!