

Action items

- 1 *Argo Director and UK Argo to seek to ensure UK funding for Jason-2. **Gould/King/Turton***
- 2 *Investigate the recent fall in % of RT data submitted to GTS within 24 hrs and to take steps to ensure that data delivery rate is improved. **Pouliquen and Belbéoch.***
- 3 *A problem reporting system to be implemented at BOTH GDACs and steps to be taken to respond to users' comments. **Pouliquen/ Ignaszewski***
- 4 *Steps to be taken to bring both functionality and data holdings of GDACs closer together. **Pouliquen/ Ignaszewski***
- 5 *GDACs to implement ocean boundaries at 20°E, 145°E, 70°W and 40°S. **Carval/ Ignaszewski***
6. *Argo data team to define a core set of activities that each regional data centre must fulfil in order to be designated an Argo regional centre. These to be submitted to AST for approval. **Argo Data Team***
- 7 *Those DACs that are not yet carrying out their planned functions to be contacted to find what the problems are, how many floats they handle how are they are planning to solve the problem. Suggest partnerships with successful DACs. Keeley to get list of recalcitrant DACs and Argo Director to write. **Keeley/Gould***
- 8 *Argo Director to work with Wong to define the entire process of delayed mode quality control. **Argo Director/Wong***
- 9 *A paper describing the needs for and the benefits and disbenefits of introducing the BUFR format to be prepared after consultation with centres engaged in operation ocean analyses. Paper to be distributed to AST members by November 2003. **Belbéoch/Turton***
- 10 *Argo Director to establish timetable of key dates leading up to First Argo Science Workshop. **Gould***
- 11 *Argo Director to draft announcement for First Argo Science Workshop and design a poster. **Gould***
- 12 *Workshop committee members to seek other agency sponsorship. **Workshop organising committee***
- 13 *Explore the possibility of commercial sponsorship and displays. **Gould/Takeuchi.***
- 14 *Argo Director to establish a web site for the exchange of technical information about float performance . **Gould***
- 15 *Groups deploying floats to send details of their deployment instructions to Argo Director together with information on rates of early (1 cycle) failures. **All + Gould***
- 16 *Send to prepare report outlining the benefits and energy (and other) penalties and data management implications of recording T and S data during the drift phase. Submit paper to AST members for agreement (or not) to recommend the collection of these data. **Send***
- 17 *Argo Director to collect and distribute plans for Antarctic research and supply ships for coming years **Gould***
- 18 *Argo Director to contact the International Ship Operators forum to see if advanced plans of research cruises can be made available to Argo countries. **Gould***
- 19 *Roemmich and Takeuchi to be contacted by volunteer lead authors to prepare a paper on issues relating to a uniform parking depth. **AST members .***
- 20 *First Argo Newsletter to be issued at end of April 2003. **Gould, Belbéoch, Wijffels, Takeuchi, Freeland and King***
- 21 *Argo Director to contact PICES about Argo involvement in October 2004 Hawaii workshop. **Gould***
- 22 *Argo Director to start to assemble Argo bibliography and to ensure that in coming years national reports to AST include a list of Argo contributions. **Gould***
- 23 *Argo Director to draft appropriate text to be included in acknowledgement section of papers using Argo data **Gould***
- 24 *Proposals for changes in membership of AST and ADT to be drawn up and sent to AST members for approval. **Roemmich, Gould, Keeley, Pouliquen.***
- 25 *Proposals for date of AST-6 to be sent to AST members. **Pouliquen, Desaubies.***