# ESSP Message to GWSP

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#### ESSP 'paper work'







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# Highlights from 'sister' projects and collaborative research











### **ESSP Science Highlights -GCP**

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### New Budget is published:

- Effect of the global financial crisis on fossil fuel emissions and atmospheric CO2
- New estimates of emissions from deforestation
- The historical responsibility of regions
- Synthesis brochure
- Second phase of GCP
- Spin off activity International Carbon Office











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#### Synthesising their 10 year activities













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#### •LUCILLA is here!☺











### **ESSP Science Highlights -CCAFS**

- CCAFS remains CCAFS
- Secretariate established in Kopenhagen
- SC of CCAFS will likely become enlarged
- Science meeting: 1-2 Dec, Cancun: stimulating sessions on the agenda of (new)CCAFS.
- Agriculture and Rural Development Day 2010 ("Finding sustainable agriculture solutions to meet food security and climate challenges"): 4 Dec in Cancun.
- Launch CCAFS on 4 DEC!











#### **New activities**

#### How to do integrative science?

#### Aims to address the following questions:

- What is integrative science?
- How to do integrative science?
- What are the barriers to integrative science?
- What should be done to advance integrative science?

#### **Bioenergy Initiative**

To produce a balanced and integrated view on the future of food and (bio)energy security, and its relationship with ecosystem services.











#### Science and Stakeholder Fora

#### Ongoing:

- o ICSU visioning & Belmont Forum
- o GEO 5
- UNFCCC-SBSTA











#### Science and Stakeholder Fora

#### **ICSU** Visioning:

#### Draft Grand Challenges



Challenge #1: Improve the usefulness of forecasts of future environmental conditions and their consequences for people.

- Grand Challenges Ο
- Open Forum on II Grand Challenges

Challenge #2: Develop the observation systems needed to manage global and regional environmental change.

Challenge #3: Determine how to anticipate, avoid and cope with dangerous global environmental change.

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FAQs about 'Grand Challenges The Visioning Process

ON AND STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

Previous consultation

#### Open Forum on Institutional Support for the Grand Challenges

The registration deadline for the Open Forum has been extended to 10 June, 2010.

On 22 June, 2010, the International Council for Science (ICSU), in cooperation with the International Social Science Council (ISSC), will host in Paris an Open Forum to explore institutional frameworks that could effectively and successfully support the research and delivery of the Grand Challenges in global sustainability research. This Open Forum is intended to provide a platform to facilitate exchange of information and perspectives. The themes to be discussed at this event will include:

- Grand Challenges in global sustainability research
- Possible institutional frameworks to support the Grand Challenges research
- Funding perspectives

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- Policy relevance/communication
- Regional perspectives

#### **Users Online**

Users: 2 Guests, 1 Bot

#### is a joint initiative of



### **Collaboration with UNEP**



- Global Environmental Outlook-5: to be published in 2012 and prepared in 2011.
- ESSP helped to identify authors





Preliminary agreement with UNEP
 that we will handle the scientific
 review of GEO-5 (with financial
 support for the ESSP secretariat)
 and identify review-editors for the
 individual chapters.

International Geosphere-Biosphere

#### SBSTA 32 - Research



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- Ocean acidification (and warming)
- o Biodiversity loss
- o Planetary boundaries
- Emissions and sinks paths
- o IPCC mistakes





Karma Tenzin uses a stick to measure the level of Thorthomi lake.

#### **SBSTA 32 - Parties**

#### Highlights of 'needs'

- Emission Pathways (1.5°, 2°, 3°)
- Identifying tipping points
- o Socio-Econ Impacts
- o Options twrds low C
- Regionalization of results

Conclusion: More such meetings are needed!

















#### **o** UNFCCC Side Event

- o ICSU/ESSP Side Event
- o CCAFS workshop
- Agricultural and Rural Development
  Day (ARDD2)
- o CCAFS launch
- Informal brainstorm about June workshop







