# Organization of SG-RFC

## Membership

1. Expert participation in expert teams such as the SG-RFC are through a nomination process conducted at CBS sessions held once every four years. Core members and associate members must be nominated by the Member’s Permanent Representative, or for other bodies, by the Head of Organization that they are representing. Ad hoc nominations can be made between sessions by completing the form at <http://wis.wmo.int/file=1117> and submitting to the Secretariat.
2. The chairs of SG-RFC and its terms of reference were determined by CBS-16 as described in [Doc 03 (SG-RFC2016)](http://wis.wmo.int/file=3194).
3. Noting that CBS Management Group has asked OPAG and expert team chairs to provide a list of core and associate members, the meeting is invited to review the comparative list of existing SG-RFC members and CBS-16 nominations for membership of SG-RFC as provided in [Attachment 1](#_Attachment_1_–).
4. Because of the specialist nature of SG-RFC’s activities, membership of SG-RFC can include “Interested Experts” as well as the traditional Core and Associated members. Such expert participation is at the discretion of the chair and co-chair.

## Focal Points

1. The meeting is also invited to review the list of focal points and representative roles within SG-RFC. To assist SG-RFC in considering its membership and focal points, an extract of Section 2.3 of the Final Report of SG-RFC 2015 on SG-RFC roles and focal points is included as [Attachment 2](#_Attachment_2_–).

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## References

[1] Final Report of SG-RFC 2015 <http://wis.wmo.int/file=2187> (14/12/2015)

[2] SG-RFC2016-Doc03 <http://wis.wmo.int/file=3194> (05/01/2016)

## Recommended Text

The meeting reviewed the list of existing and nominated members for SG-RFC and noting that SG-RFC has also maintained “Interested Experts” in addition to the formally nominated Core and Associated members. It recommended the membership of SG-RFC as shown in the annex to this paragraph.

SG-RFC reviewed the list of focal points as listed in the final report of SG-RFC 2015 and agreed to the list of focal points as listed in the annex to this paragraph.

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# Attachments

## Attachment 1 – SG-RFC existing membership and CBS-16 nominations

Nominations received for SG-RFC Membership

| First name | FAMILY NAME | Existing role | Proposed by | Gender | CBS-16 Nomination | Nominated Role | Recommendation |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Paul | HETTRICK | Core member | Australia | Male | Yes | Member | Member |
| Bryan | HODGE | Associate member | Australia | Male | Yes | Other | Associate |
| Chris | BARNES | Interested expert | Australia | Male | No | Consult with Paul |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Leonardo Machado | SANTOS | New | Brazil | Male | Yes | Member | Member |
| Gilles | FOURNIER | Vice-chair | Canada | Male | No |  | Associate pending replacement nomination |
| Ming | ZHANG | Core member | China | Male | Yes | Member | Member |
| ~~Zhihong~~ | ~~JIA~~ | ~~Associate member~~ | ~~China~~ | ~~FeMale~~ | ~~No~~ |  |  |
| Jing | NIE | Associate member | China | FeMale | No | Ming to follow up | Associate |
| ~~Alioune~~ | ~~KAMARA~~ | ~~Associate member~~ | ~~Côte d'Ivoire~~ | ~~Male~~ | ~~No~~ |  |  |
| Stephen | ENGLISH | Interested expert | ECMWF | Male | Yes | Other | Associate |
| Zeinab | FAHMY | New | Egypt | Female | Yes | Chair | Associate |
| Edoardo | MARELLI | Interested expert | ESA | Male | No |  | Associate |
| Philippe | TRISTANT | Core member | EUMETNET | Male | Yes | Member | Member |
| Markus | DREIS | Core member | EUMETSAT | Male | Yes | Member | Member |
| Eric | ALLAIX | Core member | France | Male | Yes | Chair | Chair |
| Rudolf | MOHR | Interested expert | Germany | Male | No |  | Associate |
| Marcus | POOL | Associate member | HMEI | Male | Yes | Other | Associate |
| Juha | SALMIVAARA | Associate member | HMEI | Male | Yes | Other | Associate |
| Vadim | NOZDRIN | Core member | ITU | Male | Yes | Member | Member |
| Yusuke | KAJIWARA | Associate member | Japan | Male | Yes | Member | Associate? |
| Henry N. | KARANJA | Core member | Kenya | Male | Yes | Member | Member |
| Junghun | CHOI | Associate member | Korea, Rep | Male | yes | Member | Member??? |
| Aleksandr | AZAROV | Associate expert | Russian Fed. | Male | No |  | Associate |
| Boris | DASHKOV | Associate expert | Russian Fed. | Male | No |  | ?? |
| Sergei | USPENSKY | Associate expert | Russian Fed. | Male | No |  | ?? |
| Emmanuel Qurino Nijak | GORBE | New | South Sudan | Male | Yes | Member | Associate |
| Maxime | HERVO | Associate expert | Switzerland | Male | Yes | Member | Member |
| ~~Oguzhan~~ | ~~SIRECI~~ | ~~Associate member~~ | ~~Turkey~~ | ~~Male~~ | ~~No~~ |  |  |
| Wanchalearm | PETSUWAN | New | Thailand | Male | Yes | Other | Associate |
| Neil | BEWLEY | Core member | United Kingdom | Male | Yes | Member | Member |
| ~~Alastair~~ | ~~PRICE~~ | ~~Associate member~~ | ~~United Kingdom~~ | ~~Male~~ | ~~No~~ |  |  |
| David | FRANC | Core member | United States | Male | Yes | Chair | Co-chair |
| ~~Robert~~ | ~~DENNY~~ | ~~Associate member~~ | ~~United States~~ | ~~Male~~ | ~~No~~ |  |  |
| James | METZNER | Associate member | United States | Male | Yes | Other | Associate |
| Kellen | GIBSON | New | United States | Male | Yes | Member | Interested expert |
| Bryan | HUNEYCUTT | Interested expert | United States | Male | Yes |  | Interested expert |
| Robert | LECK | Interested expert | United States | Male | Yes | Other | Interested expert |
| ~~Carmelo~~ | ~~RIVERA~~ | ~~Interested expert~~ | ~~United States~~ | ~~Male~~ | ~~No~~ |  |  |
| Thomas | VON DEAK | Interested expert | United States | Male | Yes | Other | Associate |

## Attachment 2 – Organization of the Steering Group on Radio Frequency Coordination

Extract from the Final Report of SG-RFC 2015 (<http://wis.wmo.int/file=2187>)

2.3 Organization of the Steering Group on Radio Frequency Coordination

*SG-RFC Focal Points*

1. The meeting reviewed the list of focal points identified in its March 2014 meeting ([SG-RFC2014-Doc28](http://wis.wmo.int/file=1057)). It agreed to the following:

*Focal Points for WRC Regional Activities*

1. The following SG-RFC members were confirmed as WMO focal points in WRC regional preparation meetings:

* CITEL:Jim Mentzer
* APT: Paul HETTRICK
* CEPT: Philippe TRISTANT
* African group (including SADC): Henry KARANJA
* RCC: Alexandre AZAROV
* ASMG: None (to be defined)
* Note that focal points can coordinate with other people in preparation of documents and reports

1. The meeting noted that no progress had been made in getting a focal point for the ASMG. It requested the secretariat to continue to follow up on getting appropriate representation on the group (Action item 13/1-2).

*Responsible persons (Focal Points) for Specific Activities*

The following SG-RFC members or experts have been confirmed as focal points for specific issues noting one focal point for international, however, all members of SG-RFC are encouraged to provide national focus and report individually (national issues identified and reported to the meeting in addition to international as sometimes a national activity can be a precursor to international issues):

* Meteorological-satellite service (MetSat): Markus DREIS
* Earth exploration-satellite service (EESS) (passive): Philippe Tristant
* EESS (active): Bryan HUNEYCUTT,
* Radars (weather radars and wind profilers): Neil BEWLEY
* Meteorological aids service (MetAids) - Radiosondes: Paul HETTRICK, ,
* Lightning detection: Neil BEWLEY
* Space Weather: David FRANC
* Handbook [“Use of radio spectrum for meteorology: weather, water and climate monitoring and prediction”](http://www.itu.int/en/publications/ITU-R/pages/publications.aspx?parent=R-HDB-45-2008&media=electronic)– Eric ALLAIX
* Establish a national focal point group, and ensure each Regional WG Infrastructure (or equivalent) has a task team or rapporteur on RFC under WIGOS activity (Action item 15/1-1).

**SG-RFC Focal Points for cooperation with other organizations**

* Commission for Instruments and Methods for Observations (CIMO)
  + Mr David Franc are CIMO’s Theme Leader on radio-frequency matters.
* Group on Earth Observations (GEO)
  + Eric Allaix.
* Coordination Group of Meteorological Satellites (CGMS) & SFCG
  + Mr Markus DREIS
* Inter-commission Coordination Team on Space Weather (ICTSWIS) (Update ET name)
  + Mr Dave FRANC