Agenda for Spring 2012 ILRS AWG Meeting

Saturday, April 21, TUW Wien, 9:00 – 17:00

News Items:

LARES successfully launched on ESA's VEGA on February 13, 2012, 10:00 UTC from Kourou, French Guiana

AC and CC Reports

- ASI AC & CC
- BKG
- DGFI
- ESA
- GA

- GFZ
- GRGS/OCA
- JCET AC & CC
- NSGI

SLRF2008 updates

New sites and improved coordinates for old sites

ILRS Planning the switch from CSTG QL NP format to CRD NP on MAY 2, 2012

- The DCs flow of CRD data seems quite reliable over the past few weeks
- The ILRS CB moved the switch to new CRD format to May 2 from April 2 (as originally announced a month ago)
- The old data sets will NOT be converted to CRD and no CSTG-formatted data will be available after May 2, 2012

May 2012

	April 2012					
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Personal

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	1	CRD switch	First DAILY product with CRD-formatted data	4	
6		First WEEKLY product with CRD-formatted data	9			
13		15	16			
20		22				26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

New Products, modeling issues, New IERS Conventions (2010), etc.:

- Status of the new CoM model Pilot Project:
 - o Are we satisfied with the new model implementation and ready to adopt it?
- Atmospheric gravity and loading modeling (UPDATE):
 - o Pilot Project in view of the GGFC Call for test products for 2006-2011 period (by July 1, 2012)
 - Loading effect (on sites)
 - Gravitational effect (on orbits)
 - Test files from ECMWF, 6-hour products for GEODYN users (JCET)
 - Test files from ECMWF, 6-hour products for GRACE de-aliasing product users (GFZ)
 - IERS files from ECMWF, 6-hour products from GGFC specified.
 - New test files from TUW service for users who use that format
 - ACs to chose which of the above use;
 - Are there ACs that can be cess more than one of the above?

o Timeline for a 2-year test (2008-2009) through a Pilot Project – v40 :

• Orbital Product:

o PP release of SP3c files, we have 2-3 months of SLRF2008 & IERS 08 C04 submissions from 5-7 ACs:

Analysis Center	Weekly pos+eop	Daily pos+eop	SP3c Orbit
ilrsa	X	х	
ilrsb	X	X	
asi	X	X	Х
bkg	X	X	Х
dgfi	X	X	Х
esa	X	X	
ga	X	X	Х
gfz	X	X	Х
grgs	X	X	Х
jcet	X	X	Х
nsgf	X	X	

- When will the remaining ACs (ESA & NSGF) release their SP3c product?
- When can we make the SP3c an operational product?

- Scheduling changes to the operational product (UPDATE):
 - With the adoption of the new CoM model and once the SP3c product is operational, we must:
 - Switch the DAILY product to be the operational product
 - The WEEKLY product will become a Pilot Project product for testing
 - 1. The Atm. Loading & Gravity implementation
 - 2. Low-degree SH of the gravity field (degree/order 2)
- Schedule for inclusion of the new models in the "Definitive" product:
 - o Plan for a future re-analysis by June/July 2012, including (1) & (2) from above

Systematic Errors /Corrections/Edits & Discontinuities Files

Data Handling & Discontinuities files (UPDATE?)

New/Returning station qualification process:

- Status and recent experiences, interaction of the AWG with stations/network/OCs
- DF&P WG procedure formalization for the decision process to quarantine sites (old, returning from upgrades, etc.)

LLR update on recent initiatives:

Station qualification, data validation web process, etc.

Other topics???, next meeting?

- Next meeting:
 - At the Technical ILRS Workshop in Frascati, Italy, 9-17 Saturday, November 3, 2012

ILRS Project & Products Status - maintained on the ILRS web site, link:

Projects' status: http://ilrs.gsfc.nasa.gov/working_groups/awg/awg_project_status.html

Action items from past AWG meetings

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Pavlis

check IERS procedure for station documentation after earthquakes and other transient events

Last meeting (Zürich, 2012) action items:

- 1) Testing of atmospheric loading and gravitational variations to be done using the data over years 2008-2009. ECMWF files to be delivered for use in the test (ECP)
- 2) Setup of a test directory at the DCs for acceptance of low-degree SH test solutions (ECP)
- 3) Devise a new bias letter code (HM)
- 4) JCET and ASI will work on the selection of a stable sub-network for the DAILY series (ECP/CL)
- 5) Atmospheric modeling to be included in SATAN asap and AWG notified (GA)
- 6) Bernese s/w needs to have the estimation of low degree harmonics included (DT)
- 7)—AWG to respond to CB/GB and DF&P WG on the proposed DC data archives organization (ECP).
- 8) Implementation of the new IERS Conventions 2010 in the AC/CC s/w
- 9) Follow up the IGS discussion of ORBEX and report back to AWG (ECP DONE): No change, format not yet adopted.
- 10)Generation of time-sensitive CoG tables by station in preparation, based on the current tables and the spreadsheet of the distilled sitelogs for the entire network (GA DONE).
- 11) The proposed TOC for the JoG Special Issue to be sent to AWG for acceptance of participation in the writing teams of the solicited papers. Once those are received, the TOC will be sent for approval to the JoG Editor (ECP DONE)

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