

LCLUC/MAIRS Meeting

- Second LCLUC regional meeting: the previous one LCLUC-NEESPI/MAIRS (Central Asian drylands), this one LCLUC-MAIRS (tropical SE Asia)
 - Can be used as a starting point for new projects
 - South Asia a potential follow-up
 - Analyze successes and learn lessons
 - Important for regional collaborations
 - Boost for SEARIN, need actions items, a report based on the presentations and plans for improving the structure and for future meetings (under GOFC-GOLD)

New Strategy Ideas for MAIRS/LCLUC projects

- -Executive Committee
- Regional Focus Centers over the whole MAIRS domain
- -Regional Data Science Centers
- -Regional networks enhancement
- Educational component

Future Steps

- NASA Solicitation ROSES-2009 will be announced
 - Interdisciplinary Science call, some elements will have LCLUC-relevant topics
 - LCLUC will have a call in ROSE-2010
- Continue MAIRS support (all components)
 - Help with establishing Focus ResearchCenters
 - Help with establishing Data Centers and coordination/management of regional data
 - NASA-MAIRS Project Scientist, International Project Office, research projects
- MAIRS special issues in peer-reviewed journals (POC: Qi and Ailikun)
 - SE Asia (based on Khon Kaen '09)
 - Central Asia (based on Urumqi '07 and Almaty '09)
- Next NEESPI-MAIRS-LCLUC meeting on drylands:
 - Almaty, Kazakhstan Sep-Oct '09 (POC: Krankina, OSU)
- Enhance the South Asia component
- Next MAIRS-LCLUC on tropics
 - India or Indonesia (TBD), Dec'10-Jan'11
- Plan MAIRS winter schools and students exchange
 - POC: Ozdogan, Qi and START
- Initiate MAIRS-GLOBE activities (POC: TBD)
- Enhance the social science component

Learning Experience

- This meeting was supposed to serve as the venue for exchange of data, ideas, plans
- Training an important component of each LCLUC international regional meeting
- Human interactions
- Personal Notes
 - Impressed by knowledge of English, no language barriers
 - Impressed by excellent diverse representation of the SE Asia region
 - I am glad that the meeting was held in Khon Kaen
 - I learned a lot

Embarking on the LCLUC Magical Mystery Tour





Multi-national activities "Science with no borders"

Enhancing the GOFC-GOLD SE Asia Regional Network



Hands-On Experience in the Region





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