

**Notes from the 21<sup>st</sup> IGAC Southern Hemisphere Working Group meeting (Parts A and B, 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021).**

A quick summary of points raised at the brief Part A and Part B meetings are summarised below:

1. We are on track to submit the positioning paper to the journal Elementa as a Commentary paper in June.
1. **ACTION: ALL – check** the following (if you have not already done so):
  - a) Is author list complete and accurate? The current list contains only those who added their names to the google document. Please let me know if anyone is missing.
  - b) Please email me with your name and email address to confirm your agreement to be listed as a co-author. I will need to remove your name if you fail to respond as I have to confirm that I have the agreement of all co-authors to submit.
  - c) Please check the affiliations and send me corrections as necessary
  - d) Please read through sections that you contributed to and think about requested changes to the manuscript. Keep in mind that we are a big group and that I cannot please everyone –so limit suggestions to major issues or minor typos. Also note that Jenny Fisher has volunteered to apply her excellent editing skills to the manuscript – I know that we have some tidying up to do on acronyms etc and expect that this will be dealt with in this process by Jenny. We will discuss how to handle edits at the meetings – but I may suggest that suggested edits go to section leads.
  - e) Please check references for sections that you wrote. Please send me missing references (mainly shown in yellow highlighter).
  - f) Please update or remove any references that are “to be submitted” or not yet published – and let me know.
  - g) Please check the “Contributions”, “Acknowledgements” and “Funding information” sections below the references and send me any additions/alterations as required.

**THIS ACTION IS NOW DUE VERY SOON – DEADLINE 09:00 31 MAY AEST.**

**The plan is then:**

**ACTION: - Clare** to compile all suggested edits and make changes deemed appropriate to get a version 2 ready for final editing by Jenny Fisher – Deadline 09:00 7<sup>th</sup> June AEST

**ACTION: Jenny Fisher** – make final edits to get a submission ready version 3. Deadline 17:00 14<sup>th</sup> June AEST. (May complete by 17:00 on 7<sup>th</sup> June!)

**Jenny will send this version around when she has finished.**

**ACTION: - ALL co-authors** to provide any (small) final corrections within ONE week of receiving submission ready version.

**ACTION: - Clare** to submit to Elementa by June 22<sup>nd</sup> at latest.

2. There were discussions about the SH session within the IGAC virtual conference in 2021.

We have 46 Abstracts that have ticked the box as being relevant to the SH WG – 17 that are just in our working group.

There was a general consensus that we would like to run our session with all presentations as either posters or pre-recorded talks (maximum 15 minutes – but shorter presentations also fine). These would be made available and people encouraged to watch/read and post questions. We would then like to run three separate discussions (for different time-zones) around the presentations with presenters providing a one-slide, one-minute reminder so we can match faces to presentations. We will have a facilitator and/or panel to direct discussions.

Clare has passed this preference on to the central organisers.

Finally a reminder that the session organisation committee currently consists of:

- Clare Murphy (chair – I am self-appointed to this role – happy if anyone else wants to replace me?)
- Kerneels Jaars (African rep)
- Nicholas Huneas (South American Rep)
- Jhonathan Ramirez Gamboa (Australasian Rep)

Other volunteers are still welcome – if anyone's keen.

No other business was raised (and both meetings wrapped up after about 15 minutes!)

I will send a doodle for the next meeting at a later date.