Resolution SFCG A8-1R1

INTERSESSIONAL WORKING GROUPS

The SFCG,

CONSIDERING

a) that the agenda for a given meeting may contain one or more very complex issues of an urgent nature;

b) that there is a need to restrict the duration of each meeting in order to minimize the financial burden on hosts as well as attending member agencies;

c) that, consequently, there is an occasional, exceptional need for concentrated effort requiring interaction of members during the period between meetings (the intersessional period);

RECOGNIZING

that it is preferable, whenever practicable, to consider issues within the annual SFCG meetings;

RESOLVES

1. to create, exceptionally, Intersessional Working Groups (IWGs), working between meetings, to deal with major issues of a- longer term nature (more than the period between two consecutive SFCG meetings) that cannot feasibly be completed through the annual SFCG meeting process;

2. to name each IWG in a manner which identifies its area of interest and to provide, by means of a Resolution, the terms of reference of each such group;
3. to assign tasks to each IWG by means of questions and/or action items to be accomplished during the intersessional period;

4. to appoint a chairman or coordinator for each IWG;

5. to consider the work accomplished during the intersessional period, and to assign further tasks if necessary, at a subsequent SFCG meeting.