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Second Annual U.S. GLOBEC Pan-Regional Synthesis Workshop 25 September - 28 September 2007 Seattle, WA

The U.S. GLOBEC National Office announces that its Second Annual Pan-Regional Synthesis Workshop will be held in Seattle WA at the Watertown and University Inn. The Workshop will open with a plenary address and reception on Tuesday evening, 25 September 2007, and conclude by mid-afternoon on Friday, 28 September 2007.

U.S. GLOBEC (GLOBal ocean ECosystems dynamics) is a research program organized by oceanographers and fisheries scientists to address the question of how climate variability including global climate change may affect the abundance and production of animals in the sea. U.S. GLOBEC has comprised three regional programs -- Northwest Atlantic/Georges Bank, Northeast Pacific, and Southern Ocean -- and a series of technology and modeling development projects. A brief introduction to U.S. GLOBEC -- including links to its publications and available datasets -- may be found at <http://www.usglobec.org/gaag/glance.php>.

The focus of the U.S. GLOBEC program is now on comparing and contrasting the results from the different regions in the prior phases of U.S. GLOBEC, and on extending these results with comparisons to, or tests within, other comparable ecosystems. An Announcement of Opportunity for Pan-Regional Synthesis funding will be forthcoming from the National Science Foundation later this summer, with an expected due date for proposals of 1 December 2007. A complete draft of the Announcement of Opportunity may be viewed at http://www.usglobec.org/download/PRS_AO_unofficial_draft.php

The purpose of the Second Annual Synthesis Workshop will be to bring together a diverse set of marine and climate scientists to discuss possible approaches to Pan-Regional Synthesis within the context of U.S. GLOBEC, and to continue the process of forming partnerships to develop proposals in response to the Pan-Regional Synthesis Announcement of Opportunity. **A particular goal of the Workshop is to engage scientists who are new to U.S. GLOBEC and may bring important new insights to the synthesis effort.**

Travel support for this Workshop will be available through the U.S. GLOBEC National Office. Priority for such funding will be given to attendees who are new to the U.S. GLOBEC program. Workshop logistics, including registration procedures, will be announced shortly. Inquiries concerning the Workshop and its goals may be directed to the Chair of the U.S. GLOBEC Scientific Steering Committee, Dr. Dale Haidvogel (dale@imcs.rutgers.edu).