

CEOS-WGCV: Interaction with GSICS

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- **GSICS and CEOS-WGCV are both active in similar areas**
 - ➔ calibration, instrument performance, assessing data quality (validation), etc.

- **Partial overlap in membership**
 - *GSICS activities are driven by the needs of the operational agencies*
 - *CEOS activities are driven by research agencies & operational agencies*
 - *Distinction between operational and research agencies is becoming in some areas blurred (example: climate research ➔ CGMS/CEOS Working Group on Climate)*

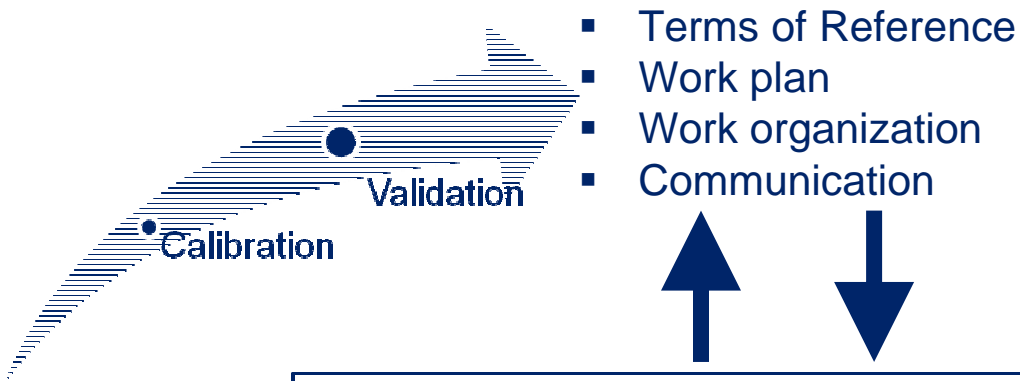
- **Communalities & complementarities**
 - *Parallel activities can be combined*
 - *Knowledge can be exchanged*
 - *Missing opportunities may be identified*
 - *Combining of effort may be possible*
 - *Most important: Common view on the same issue!*



- **CEOS has an observer status at GSICS (-EP)**
- **The idea of QA4EO is shared by GSICS and CEOS-WGCV**
- **Members of GSICS are also members of CEOS-WGCV**
- **Same people can be found in different activities assigned to GSICS and to CEOS-WGCV**
- **GSICS representative / office has been invited to outline GSICS activities during the last CEOS-WGCV plenary in February 2014.**

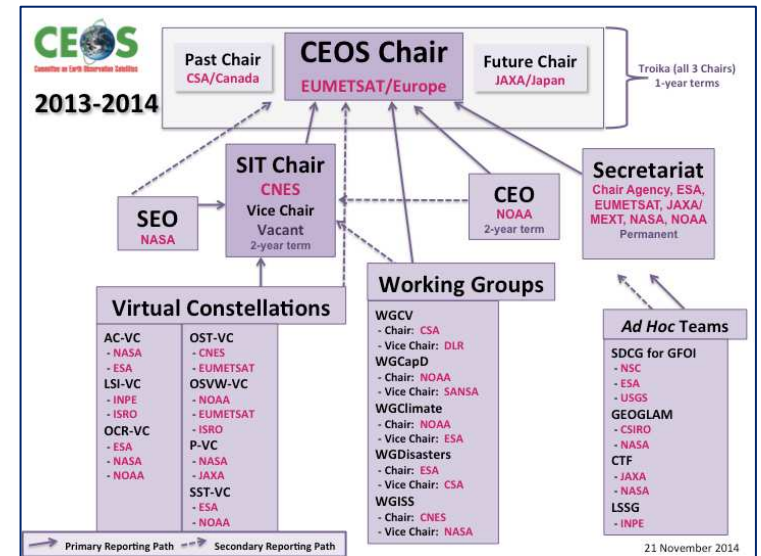
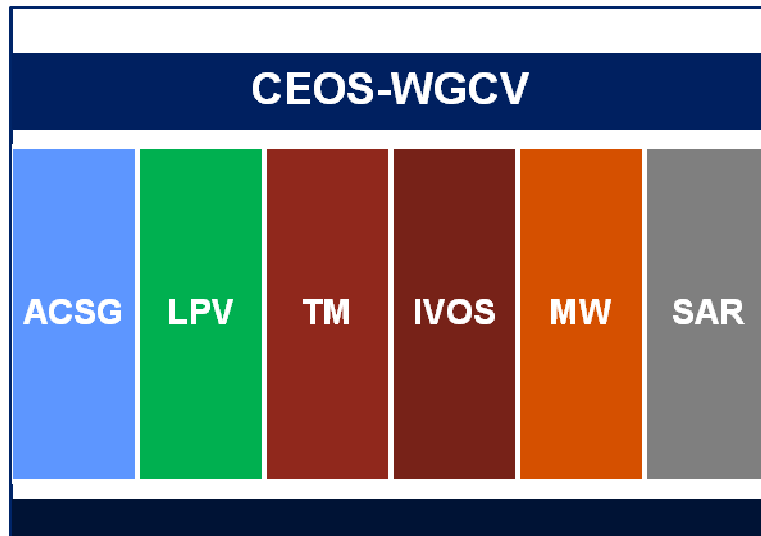
A discussion list of possible areas of interaction has been provided to CEOS-WGCV

- **CEOS-WGCV is willing to deepen the interaction!**



Agencies

Scientists



CEOS-WGCV Internal Sub-groups

- ACSG Atmospheric Composition Subgroup
- LPV Land Product Validation
- TM Terrain Mapping
- IVOS Infrared Visible Optical Sensors
- MW Microwave Sensors
- SAR SAR Sensors



- Different entities may have different philosophies
- CEOS is based on “best effort” principle
- CGMS and GSICS is based on commitments / resources
- Summa summarum it can be the same

- but the path to this “summa” can vary between both sides!

- However, CEOS has introduced at the beginning of 2014 a 3 years work plan including also a certain level of commitment



- **A presentation about GSICS has been given to CEOS-WGCV**
including possible areas of interaction

(February 2014)
- **An CEOS-WGCV action item has been formulated**
Identify possible interaction opportunities with GSICS

(September 2014)
- **Those will be consolidated and concluded**
during the coming CEOS-WGCV #38 plenary session

(September/October 2014)
- **Proposal**
On the level of the chairs (or named PoCs) the area of interactions shall be identified between GSICS and CEOS-WGCV including
 - **Priorities**
 - **Concrete defined activities**
 - **Timelines (short-term, mid-term, long-term)**
 - **Way forward how to identify “missing opportunities” (gap analysis)**



- **WGCV plenary meetings (to allow scheduling)**
 - *September 2014*
 - *May 2015*
 - *Early 2016 / September 2016*

- **CEOS-WGCV highly appreciate a closer interaction on WG-level**
 - *On working level we can see a lot of ideas*

- **CEOS-WGCV is in the process to consolidate the opportunities for interaction and is open for your suggestions for the way forward.**

Thank you for your attendance