

The basic principles of FUTURE are contained in the Science Plan (http://www.pices.int/members/scientific_programs/FUTURE/FUTURE_final_2008.pdf) approved in principle at PICES-2007 (Decision 07/S/1), and finalized in February 2008. The FUTURE Implementation Plan (http://www.pices.int/members/scientific_programs/FUTURE/FUTURE_IP_final_2009.pdf) was approved in principle at the inter-sessional Council meeting in April 2009 (Decision 09/S/1), and finalized in June 2009.

At PICES-2009 (October 2009, Jeju, Korea), three Advisory Panels, AICE (*Anthropogenic Influences on Coastal Ecosystems*), COVE (*Climate, Oceanographic Variability and Ecosystems*) and SOFE (*Status, Outlooks, Forecasts, and Engagement*) were established to provide continuing direction, leadership, coordination, and synthesis within PICES toward attaining the FUTURE goal. These Advisory Panels are expected to recommend specific activities for consideration by Science Board which serves as the Scientific Steering Committee (SSC) for FUTURE (Decision 09/S/7(i)).

Brief organizational meetings of all Advisory Panels took place at PICES-2009. One day was dedicated to FUTURE at the 2010 inter-sessional Science Board meeting (April 23-24, Sendai, Japan) – it was the first time that Science Board met as the FUTURE SSC. The main objectives of the meeting were to:

- (1) review the draft work plans for the Advisory Panels, and
- (2) clarify the process for revising terms of reference for existing expert groups and approving new expert groups to meet FUTURE goals.

At this meeting, Science Board strongly supported the idea of convening a 3-day meeting in mid- or late summer to advance work plans for FUTURE Advisory Panels and to share ideas on the many common threads they are encountering in moving FUTURE forward.

The inter-sessional FUTURE meeting was held August 16–18, 2010, at the Lotte Hotel World, in Seoul, Korea. The meeting was co-sponsored and hosted by the Korea Ocean Research and Development Institute (KORDI). The main goals of the meeting were to:

- (1) identify priority topics and activities for the Advisory Panels for the first triennium (2010–2012); and
- (2) discuss potential for existing and new expert groups to address these priorities.

Included in this section are the provisional agenda, the list of participants and all presentations given at the meeting. The summary report from the meeting will be posted as soon as it is available.