Carbon Sequestration Leadership Forum CCS in the Academic Community Task Force

Background, Next Steps and Engagement Questionnaire

Background

- The mission of the CSLF's CCS in the Academic Community Task Force (TF) is to identify and engage CCS academic programs throughout the world and help determine the path forward for the CSLF.
- In June 2015, the TF was re-established with a focus to foster and support international CCS collaborations, international research exchanges, summer schools, short courses, and networks. The motivation for this focus is to encourage governments to provide or enhance mechanisms to support such activities in a more coordinated manner with greater resources.
- The US and Mexico co-chair the TF; Members include: Canada, Poland, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, the UK, Global CCS Institute and IEA Greenhouse Gas Programme.
- In November 2015, the TF issued a *Baseline Survey and Plan of Action* that included information on TF academic research programs, international research exchanges, summer schools, short courses, and networks, and outlined a preliminary plan of action to guide TF activities.

Next Steps

- The next step is to establish the Academic Council with CCS academics from CSLF member countries. Our initial objective is to determine where and how the CSLF can help leverage international collaborations among universities, including student and faculty exchanges, research projects and networks, training programs, and funding opportunities to further CSLF goals (i.e., capacity building).
- The TF will convene a meeting of the Academic Council in conjunction with the CSLF mid-year meeting in the United Kingdom June 27-30, 2016to discuss lessons learned from successful collaborations and funding mechanisms, identify potential collaborations and finalize a Plan of Action for formal presentation at the 2016 CSLF Annual Meeting in Japan October 3-7, 2016.
- Attached is the preliminary agenda of the First Annual Meeting of the Academic Council (page 2).

Call for Engagement

- The TF is recruiting members for the Academic Council and requests completion
 of the attached short questionnaire (page 3) to determine interest levels in joining
 the Council and/or participating in the first meeting of the Academic Council in
 June (see above)..
- Please send your response to:

- NRCan: Kathryn Gagnon (kathryn.gagnon@canada.ca)
- The TF very much appreciates your attention and interest.

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Draft agenda of the First Annual Meeting of the Academic Council (to be held during June 27-30, 2016, London, UK)

Session I: CSLF Organizational Structures and Objectives

- CSLF CCS in the Academic Community Task Force: Background and Call to Action
- CSLF Technical Group Priorities and Alignment with CCS Academic Research

Session II: Case Studies

• Case Studies of International CCS Collaborations and Funding Mechanisms

Case Study #1 - bilateral

Case Study #2 - multilateral

Case Study #3 – developing country

Case Studies of CCS Summer Schools, Networks and Funding Mechanisms

Case Study #1 - RECS and IEAGHG

Case Study #2 – UK CCS Network

Session III: Breakout Groups

International collaborations and opportunities for leverage

- Current alignment with CSLF priorities
- Examples of successful funding mechanism

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Engagement Questionnaire

1.	Contact information:
	Name:
	Title:
	Organization:
	Email:
	Tel:
2.	Primary areas of CCS research:
3.	List any international CCS collaborations, internships, exchange programs, or networks in which you are currently involved:
4.	Does your academic institute have a formal training program for students interested in careers in CCS? If so, do you have opportunities for internships for students from other universities?
5.	Are you interested in membership in the Academic Council? Yes No
6.	Are you interested in attending the Academic Council meeting in June? Yes No

7.	Do you have your own funding to support travel and related costs to attend
	the Academic Council meeting in June?
	☐ Yes
	□ No

8. List any recommendations the TF should consider as it develops the Academic Council and finalizes the June agenda.