

Agenda item 1:  
Opening of Meeting

John Townshend

# Welcome and introductions

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Chair, Scientific and Technical Board

GOFC-GOLD

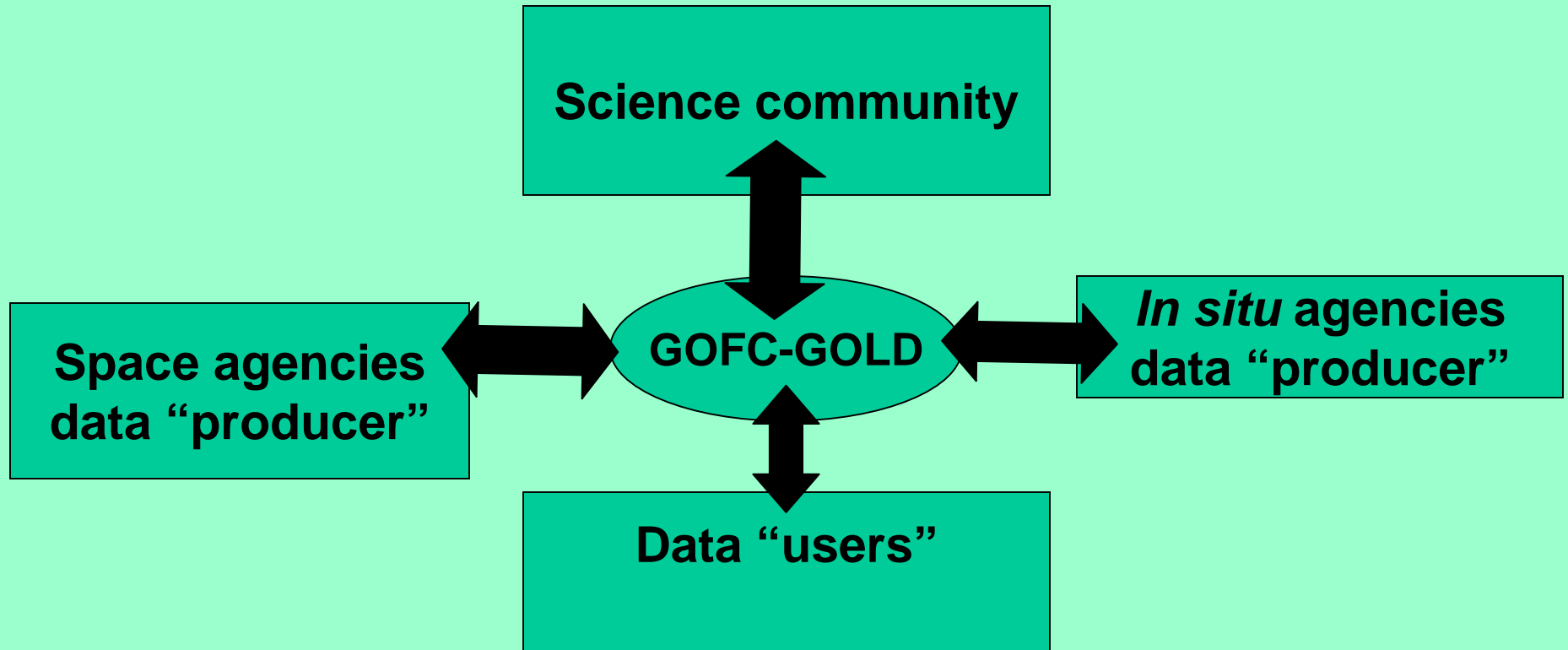
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# GOFC-GOLD's role

- A Panel of the Global Terrestrial Observing System (GTOS)
- A long term process of building an improved match between Observations, Data Products and User Needs



# Overview of the Objectives of 3<sup>rd</sup> STB

- GOFC first proposed as prototype of an Integrated Global Observing System
  - CEOS-ST, Irvine Feb 1997
- Workshop on User Requirements and capabilities,
  - Ottawa June 1997
- Design Phase to create 1<sup>st</sup> set of Strategy documents.
  - 6 meetings in 1998
- Plenary Meetings of GOFC-GOLD
  - 1<sup>st</sup> STB – Ottawa, June 2000
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> STB – Frascati April 2001
  - Executive Committee (extended) – March 2003
  - 3<sup>rd</sup>. STB – Beijing April 2005.
- **Primary goal of the 3<sup>rd</sup> STB is to revisit the Strategy of GOFC-GOLD and its Implementation .**

# Outline of Meeting

- *19<sup>th</sup> April morning*
- Review of current status of GOFC-GOLD
  - Overall status with emphasis on the two Implementation Teams for Land Cover and Fire (one single presentation).
  - Status of networks (individual presentations)
- *19<sup>th</sup> April afternoon*
  - Introduction to Revised Strategy for GOFC-GOLD
  - Plenary Discussion
  - Break-out groups
    - Fire
    - Land
    - Possible third.
- *19<sup>th</sup> April evening*
  - Reception

# Outline of Meeting

- *20<sup>th</sup> April morning*
  - Presentation GEOSS Dr. Toshio KOIKE, University of Tokyo.
  - Reports from Break –out groups
  - Tasking 2<sup>nd</sup>. group of Break-outs, Possible topics
    - EO continuity-strategy for fine resolution acquisition
    - GEOSS and GOFC-GOLD
    - Relations with conventions
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> set of break-out groups commence
- *20<sup>th</sup> April afternoon*
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> set of break-out groups conclude
  - Report back of break-out groups
  - Plenary discussion of strategy
  - Summary of actions

# Following meetings

- *21<sup>st</sup> April*
- Initiation of a GOFC-GOLD East Asia Regional Network.
  - Chairs: David Skole and Congbin Fu
- *22<sup>nd</sup> April am*
- Symposium on Improved Observations of Land Cover and Fire for Earth Science and Sustainable Development

# Acceptance of Agenda