**Cross community workshop on**

**Extreme Events and Environments from Climate to Society (E3S)**

**Berlin & Nanjing/Beijing[[1]](#footnote-1), February 14th to 16th 2016**

**Call for session proposals**

Future Earth is a research initiative on global environmental change and global sustainability. The topic Extreme Events and Environments (http://www.e3s-future-earth.eu) has been identified as one of nine important cross-cutting initiatives within Future Earth. The goal of this cross-community/co-design[[2]](#footnote-2) workshop is to identify and elaborate the scientific questions and associated research agendas which are scientifically challenging and of high societal relevance, in line with the goals of Future Earth.

To this end we call for proposals for targeted co-design workshop sessions, which are organized independently of each other and happen in parallel. The commitment of each session is to generate a 1-2 page document that will form the foundation of a research strategy and help to prepare call for proposals by funding organizations on Future Earth related research. Hence the workshop sessions are charged with strategic leadership. Presentations of research results should be planned only to define the state-of-the-art, but most time should be allocated to discussions of challenges and options for progress. We expect the workshop sessions to be held in small groups of renowned experts and stakeholders (max. 10 people) to be nominated by the workshop chair. Additionally each session should include 1-2 early career researchers, who apply independently and are selected by the E3S steering committee.

Session proposals will be collected until July 15th, 2015 and selected by the E3S steering committee until August 15th, 2015, based on the following criteria:

* Relevance to Future Earth (http://www.futureearth.org/) and to the E3S theme therein
* Cross-cutting character [involve communities from at least two of the three realms - climate - biosphere/geosphere - anthroposphere (as represented e.g. by WCRP, IGBP and IHDP)]
* Integration between different disciplines such as social, economic, and natural sciences, engineering, and humanities
* Demonstrated stakeholder relevance and stakeholder participation in the session
* Solutions-oriented approach
* Concreteness and feasibility of the session (e.g. letters of interest or confirmation from intended participants)

**Please send by July 15th 2015 your session / workshop proposal to: dfrank@bgc-jena.mpg.de**

(Dr. Dorothea Frank, Max-Planck-Institute for Biogeochemistry Jena, Germany).

**E3S Session proposal form**

**Workshop / session title**

Please insert here a concise title for the workshop / session you propose

**Responsible workshop / session lead**

It is the responsibility of the workshop / session leader to drive the overall process of the scientific and topical workshop / session preparation and organization with the respective stakeholder involvement, whilst the E3S coordination will provide the meeting framework.

**Name**: *please insert here full name of responsible session leader*

**Institution**: *please insert here full institutional name the responsible lead is affiliated to*

**Address**: *please insert here full institutional address of responsible lead*

**Email**: *please insert here Email of responsible lead*

**Phone**: *please insert here phone number of responsible lead*

**Short description of workshop / session topic (max. 700 words)**

Please describe here your workshop / session topic giving an overview scientific state of the art of the topic and its societal relevance, and its relation to E3S and Future Earth.

**Cross-community scientist and stakeholder involvement**

E3S will provide financial travel support for up to 3 or 4 participants – in particular stakeholders – per accepted workshop / session. Travel support will be in the range of 1.000€ - 2.000€ per person according to travel distance.

Please provide here a brief description of how the **networking** will be realized, indicating e.g. which stakeholders or stakeholder level will be contacted, which fields of expertise are requested etc. .

Please provide here a short list with first expressions of interest of participation from scientists and stakeholders to this session indicating their names, institutional affiliation, Email and expertise.

Name & Email Institutional affiliation Expertise/Community

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**Workshop / session organization team**

Please indicate here the respective names, institution and Emails of your workshop / session organization team members:

**Name**: *please insert here full name of respective team member*

**Institution**: *please insert here full institutional name the respective team member is affiliated to*

**Email**: *please insert here Email of the respective team member*

**Preferred location for workshop**

Please indicate here your preferred workshop location:

⃝ Berlin ⃝ Nanjing/Beijing ⃝ no preference

1. *Two parallel twin meetings are planned to be held in these two places with online connection between them* [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. The principle of “co-design” is to discuss the research priorities in interactive discussions among the sciences and humanities and societal actors in the decision-making, private, and citizen sectors in state and regional levels. The co-design approach creates ownership for the planned strategy in both researcher and stakeholder communities and serves as a big step towards social acceptability of the research results and facilitates their adoption in society. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)