Training Splinter Session

- http://www.oceanopticsbook.info/
- http://www.ioccg.org/training_ioccg.html
- http://www.ocean-partners.org/ [POGO]

- And what can we add …

- First meeting of a 'training coordination group'
- 16 people
- Community looking forward to a richer relationship with EUMETSAT as EUMETSAT's experience of OC and its community grows
- Aware of a bias here to northern countries.

Which users?

- (Here) focus on science community needs

- Aware of the operational providers/users
- Acutely aware that policy/decision maker users also have capacity development needs
- Note the potential of educational outreach

What did we do ...

Shared information on:

- POGO
- IOCCG
- Ocean Optics course
- Work in Nordic-Baltic states
- EUMETSAT's approach to training and training tools

Training that varies from 1 hour to 1 year

Some common themes

Resourcing:

- Participants

- Instructors (development, delivery ...)

- Coordination and awareness raising of capacity development – IOCCG requests input from organizers of training initiatives to improve coordination and awareness raising of capacity development

Accessibility:

- Making the classrooms available to a wider community and making more of online opportunities

- Conflict of interests – polluters may have resources for training, but may not be interested in the results
- Requisite variety – there is a variety of training that is needed by a range of users
- Part-sponsorship can work, but some students can't find the rest. Shared sponsorship works. And there will be politics
- Students want more practical work (remember vs do learning objectives)

Copernicus

- [Level 3 data interest]

- Sentinel-3 user preparation requirements – how will they be determined and met?

- How will S3 data fit into people's existing worlds?

- IOCCG can share ... **what they are told about**
- Offers to support are welcome:
  - Instruction / content / finance / communicating what training is available within your networks

- continued coordination is useful – noting that IOCCG has very limited resources that are already stretched. To really develop capacity building requires investment in coordination and implementation. How?

- Potential of oceanopticsbook.info- contribute if you want!

- Potential of Wikipedia as resource for capacity development – including to raise awareness of training etc is being explored.

- We will have an online follow up meeting toward the end of the year.

For the future

- In the operational environment - Competencies and certification of courses [talks to value of science in real world]
- Potential areas: fisheries management, coastal (shore to 200nm) resource management, aquaculture [link to legislative frameworks and regulatory bodies]