

# Environmental Information Management 2008

Sept 10-11, 2008  
University of New Mexico

**Wednesday, September 10, 2008**

7:00 AM **Registration and Coffee** (Student Union Building: outside Ballroom A)  
8:15 AM **Welcome to the conference** C. Gries and M. Jones

## **Sensors and Sensor Networks**

Moderator: M. Jones (Student Union Building: Ballroom A)

8:30 AM Bainbridge, Rehbein, Feather, Eggeling  
Sensor Networks on the Great Barrier Reef – managing marine sensor data

8:45 AM Conover, Regner, Maskey, Lu, Li, Goodman  
Evolving Sensor Web Protocols for Sensor Data Management

9:00 AM Benson, Winslow, Arzberger, Carey, Fountain, Hanson, Kratz, Tilak  
Meeting the challenges of an international, grassroots organization of sites deploying sensor networks: the Global Lake Ecological Observatory Network (GLEON)

9:15 AM Barseghian, Altintas, Jones  
Accessing and Using Sensor Data within the Kepler Scientific Workflow System

9:30 AM Liu, Hill, Abdelzaher, Heo, Choi, Minsker, Fazio  
Virtual Sensor-Powered Spatiotemporal Aggregation and Transformation: A Case Study Analyzing Near-Real-Time NEXRAD and Precipitation Gage Data in a Digital Watershed

9:45 AM Vande Castle, Servilla  
Streaming Sensor Data from Space: Acquiring and Managing Direct Broadcast Satellite Data for Sites of the Long Term Ecological Research Network

10:00 AM Henshaw, Bierlmaier, Bond, O'Connell  
Building a "Cyber Forest" in Complex Terrain at the Andrews Experimental Forest

10:15 AM Questions + Discussion

10:30 - 11:00 AM BREAK

## **Keynote Address: James Clark, Duke Univ.**

(Student Union Building: Ballroom A)

11:00 -12:00 PM

Title to be determined

12:00 - 1:15 PM **LUNCH**



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## Wednesday (continued)

### Metadata and Data Management Systems

Moderator: J. Cushing (Student Union Building: Ballroom A)

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| 1:15 PM | Leinfelder, Tao, Costa, Jones, Servilla, O'Brien, Burt | Using metadata for loading and querying heterogeneous scientific data                     |
| 1:30 PM | Palanisamy, Wilson, Devarakonda, Green                 | Mercury: A Distributed Metadata Management, Data Discovery and Access System              |
| 1:45 PM | Moore, Walther, Cooper                                 | Data Collaboration for Large-Scale Regional Surveys in Southern California                |
| 2:00 PM | Rugg   | Archival Data Formats - Archivists and Users  |
| 2:15 PM | Babin, Hu  | A Tale of Two Observing Systems: Visualization of Real-time Coastal Ocean Data on the Web |
| 2:30 PM | Winslow, Benson, Chiu, Hanson, Kratz                   | Vega: A Flexible Data Model for Environmental Time Series Data                            |
| 2:45 PM | Questions + Discussion                                 |   |

3:00 - 3:30 PM BREAK

### Poster Session

(Student Union Building: Ballroom B)

- 3:30 - 5:00 PM Poster Session  
5:00 - 5:30 PM **Reception** and continued Poster session

5:30 - 7:30 PM **DINNER BREAK**

### Panel Discussion

Moderator: Barbara Benson (Student Union Building: Ballroom A)

- 7:30 - 9:00 PM  
Challenges and solutions to managing, accessing, and using sensor data



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**Thursday, September 11, 2008**

8:00 - 8:30 AM **Coffee**

## **Data Integration, Analysis and Visualization**

Moderator: Corinna Gries (Student Union Building: Ballroom A)

8:30 AM	Zhang, He, Gertz	LEEASP: A Linked Environment of Coordinated Multiple Views for Exploratory Analysis of Large-Scale Species Distribution Data
8:45 AM	Servilla, Costa, Laney, San Gil, Brunt	The EcoTrends Web Portal: An Architecture for Data Discovery and Exploration
9:00 AM	Porter, Smith	Live from the Field: Managing Live-Image Databases at the Virginia Coast Reserve
9:15 AM	Cushing, Kaplan, Laney, Mallett, Ramsey, Vanderbilt, Zeman, Gao, Kruger, Leroy, Milchunas, Muldavin	Integrating Ecological Data: Notes from the Grasslands ANPP Data Integration Project
9:30 AM	Vanderbilt, Blankman, Guo, He, Li, Lin, Lu, Ko, Burke, Ogawa, Ó Tuama, Schentz, Su, van der Werf	Building an Information Management System for Global Data Sharing: A Strategy for the International Long Term Ecological Research (ILTER) Network
9:45 AM	Kennedy, Remillard, Henshaw, Duncan, Bond	Converting data to information: Coupling lab-level database functionality with primary LTER data archiving systems
10:00 AM	Questions + Discussion	

10:15 - 10:45 AM BREAK

## **Keynote Address: Tony Beasley, National Ecological Observatory Network (NEON)**

10:45 - 11:45 AM NEON: Project Status & Technical Developments

11:45 - 1:00 PM **LUNCH**



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## Thursday (continued)

### Panel Discussion

1:00 - 2:30 PM

Moderator: Mark Schildhauer (Student Union Building: Ballroom A)

Achieving global, cross-institutional interoperability of ecological and environmental data and metadata systems

2:30 - 2:45 PM BREAK

### Quality Assurance Systems

2:45 PM Brown

3:00 PM Sears

3:15 PM Sheldon

3:30 PM O'Brien, Harrer

3:45 PM Langman, Hanson, Carpenter, Chiu,  
Hu

4:00 PM Hu, Babin

4:15 PM Questions + Discussion

4:30 PM **Concluding remarks**

Moderator: Bruce Wilson (Student Union Building: Ballroom A)

Challenges of AVHRR Vegetation Data for Real Time Applications

An Overview of Quality Control Procedures for Buoy Data at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) National Data Buoy Center (NDBC).

Dynamic, Rule-based Quality Control Framework for Real-time Sensor Data

Processing and quality control of kelp forest community survey data

Detecting sensor failures in ecological sensor networks,

Range Checks of Coastal Environmental Monitoring Data

Jones and Gries



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- Building the Framework for a Virtual Data Center for Ecology and the Environmental Sciences



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