



Science Report to the 19th meeting of the IAI EC

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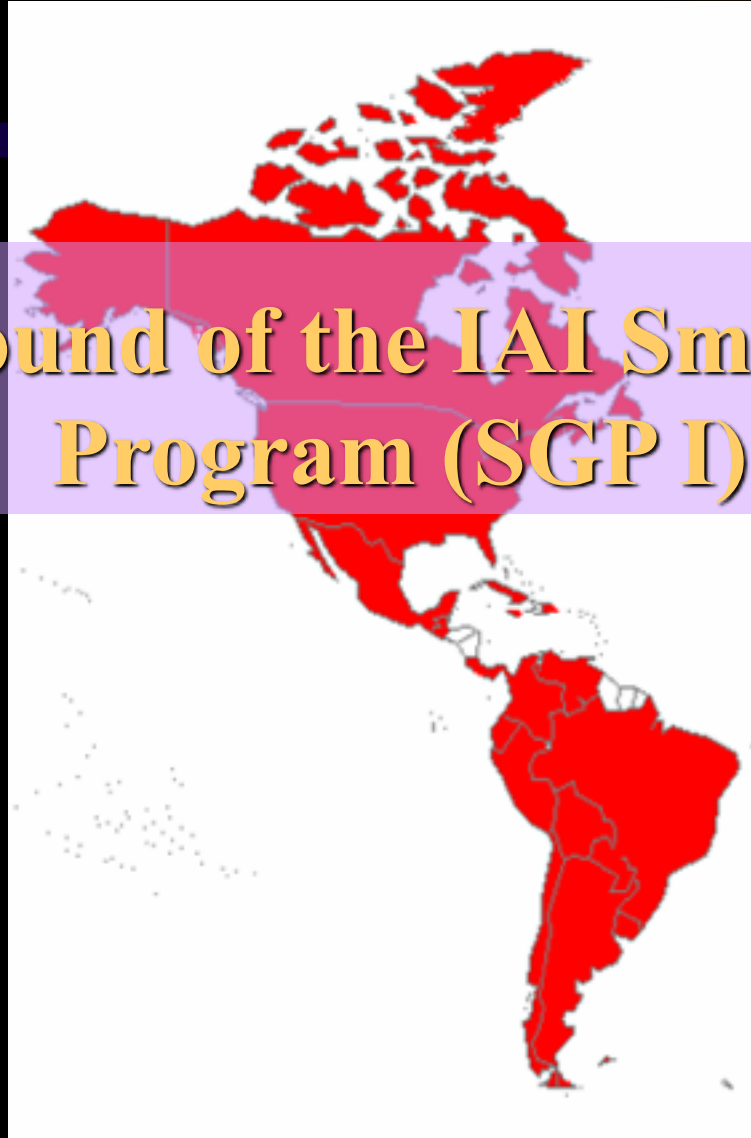




Update IAI programs



First Round of the IAI Small Grant Program (SGP I)





SGP I

- Supports 16 projects (US\$ 380 k)
- No-cost extension from NSF until Oct. 04
(=Final Report due in Jan. 05)
- 13 Final Reports received (as of 28.06.2004)
- Remaining 3 reports due in June, July and August 2004
- Non-responsive PI 'revived'?
- Submission of Final Report to NSF planned October 2004 (new reporting format will shorten time for report preparation)





SGP I cont.

(some results)

- 23 journal papers/book chapters
- 36 presentations/posters
- 56 students trained
(as of 28.06.04)
- 7 groups (out of 13) explicitly state their intention to participate in CRN II





Second Round of the IAI Small Grant Program (SGP II)





SGP II

- 22 projects
- Project activities started from February 2004
- Initial payment (80%) released to 19 projects (as of 28.06.04)
- Some delays in submission of Commitment Letters and difficulties with IAI Grant Agreement (specifically US Institutions)







CRN I

- **Projects enter(ed) final year**
- **CRN 031 - 'back on track' – PI changed to Allan Lavell**
- **CRN 062 – Tim Baumgartner; strict application of terms agreed in Lima (Oct. 2003); (timely reports, reporting formats & content, consultation of project 'EC',**
- **CRN 038 – Directors Report**
- **Detailed summary statistics prepared by CRN Program Manager**
- **CRN synthesis discussion ongoing with the SAC (various options presented by SAC Chair)**





CRN II



CRN II

- Due to delay the launch is suggested in early 2005 with projects starting in early 2006 (after EC approval in Dec. 05)
- Some specifics:
 - Announcement & proposal to NSF will emphasize applied science and consider CoP/Forum research suggestions
 - Project Duration 4 years
 - Conditional Funding pending satisfactory mid-term evaluation after year 2.
 - Funds in 2 installments (80% - 20%)
 - Annual CRN PI meetings
 - SAC Advisors to attend Annual Project Meetings
 - Conduct 'Monitoring' site visits (Science & Finance)
 - Prevention of Reporting Delays - Reminder Policy (30 d prior, due; 10 d after; 30 d after = Policy f. Susp. & Term.)
 - IAI in the process of drafting a "Program Management Manual" to outline general rules





Gracias



Obrigado

Additional points by SAC Chair
& CRN Program Manager



Merci



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