

## Highlights of the 30th Session of WGNE

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The 30th session of the CAS/WCRP Working Group on Numerical Experimentation met with the overarching objective to address the coordination needs for improvements of global and regional models, ranging from daily to decadal time scale. Hosted in the new NOAA Center for Weather and Climate Prediction (NCWCP), the group was welcomed by Dr Louis W. Uccellini, director of the US National Weather Service, and Dr William M. Lapenta, director of the US National Centers for Environmental Prediction. In his introductory speech Dr Uccellini showed how NOAA will strongly move towards an environmental prediction system based on a unified modelling framework. This meeting represents an occasion for the main global centers to interact and review the most relevant research activities for weather and climate models as well as to identify synergies across WCRP, WWRP. GAW and CAS. This year it was the occasion to celebrate the 30th anniversary of WGNE and remind the attendees of the achievements in the past 30 years. This task was given to Larry Gates, past WGNE member, with a keynote presentation titled "WGNE30 History".

More information about the meeting including the presentations can be found here: http://polar.ncep.noaa.gov/conferences/WGNE-30/