

# Decadal break-out session

- In the context of possibly abandoning the GC on Regional Climate, it is suggested to establish a new Grand Challenge on “Providing skilful and reliable near term climate prediction-information”
- Need to manage end-user expectations regarding seasonal and decadal information. Uncertainties should be properly conveyed and communicated
- Decadal prediction is at the point where seasonal predictions was when it first started as an operational activity in the late 1980s. Validation remains a challenge given the relative limited observational record
- Decadal predictions can support GFCS: it is recommended to formalize the real time Decadal Forecast Exchange via CBS and CCI. WCRP should initiate consultations on this
- Need to address coupling, variability and skill contributions from ALL Earth System Components. Need to understand mechanisms / physics behind the decadal variability and predictions.
- Review roles and scope of relevant entities as decadal plans evolve: DCP, DCVP, WGCM, WGSIP