

2 The IERS

2.1 Structure

From 2008 to 2011, the IERS had the following components. For their functions see the Terms of Reference (Appendix 1), for addresses and electronic access see Appendices 3 and 4. Dates are given for changes between 2008 and 2011.

Analysis Coordinator

Markus Rothacher (until 9 October 2010)
Thomas Herring (since 10 October 2010)

Central Bureau

Director: Bernd Richter

Technique Centres

International GNSS Service (IGS)

IGS Representatives to the IERS Directing Board:

Jim Ray (from 1 January to 31 December 2008),
Steven Fisher (from 1 January 2009 to May 2010),
Urs Hugentobler (since May 2010)

IERS Representative to the IGS Governing Board: Claude Boucher

International Laser Ranging Service (ILRS)

ILRS Representatives to the IERS Directing Board:

Jürgen Müller, Erricos C. Pavlis

IERS Representative to the ILRS Directing Board:

Bob E. Schutz

International VLBI Service (IVS)

IVS Representatives to the IERS Directing Board:

Chopo Ma, Axel Nothnagel (until 30 April 2009), Rüdiger Haas
(since 1 May 2009)

IERS Representative to the IVS Directing Board: Chopo Ma

International DORIS Service (IDS)

IDS representatives to the IERS: Hervé Fagard (until June 2009), Frank G. Lemoine, Bruno Garayt (since Dec. 2009)

IERS Representative to the IDS Governing Board:

Ron Noomen (until 2009), Chopo Ma (since 2009)

Product Centres

Earth Orientation Centre

Primary scientist and representative to the IERS Directing Board: Daniel Gambis

Rapid Service/Prediction Centre

Primary scientist and representative to the IERS Directing Board: William H. Wooden (until August 2009), Brian J. Luzum
(since September 2009)

Conventions Centre

Primary scientists: Brian J. Luzum, Gérard Petit

Representative to the IERS Directing Board:

Brian J. Luzum (until 31 December 2009)

Gérard Petit (since 1 January 2010)

ICRS Centre

Primary scientists: Ralph A. Gaume, Jean Souchay

Current representative to the IERS Directing Board:

Ralph A. Gaume (until 31 December 2008),

Jean Souchay (since 1 January 2009)

ITRS Centre

Primary scientist and representative to the IERS Directing Board: Zuheir Altamimi

Global Geophysical Fluids Centre

Head and representative to the IERS Directing Board:

Tonie van Dam

Special Bureau for the Oceans

Chair: Richard S. Gross

Special Bureau for Hydrology

Chair: Jianli Chen

Special Bureau for the Atmosphere

Chair: David A. Salstein

Special Bureau for Combination (since 1 January 2010)

Chair: Tonie van Dam

Special Bureau for the Core (until 31 December 2009)

Chair: Tim van Hoolst

Special Bureau for the Mantle (until 31 December 2009)

Erik R. Ivins

Special Bureau for Tides (until 31 December 2009)

Chair: Richard D. Ray

Special Bureau for Gravity/Geocenter

(until 31 December 2009)

Chair: Michael M. Watkins

Special Bureau for Loading (until 31 December 2009)

Chair: Hans-Peter Plag

Vice-chair: Tonie van Dam

ITRS Combination Centres

Deutsches Geodätisches Forschungsinstitut (DGFI)

Primary scientist: Hermann Drewes (until April 2010)
Manuela Seitz (since May 2010)

Institut Géographique National (IGN)

Primary scientist: Zuheir Altamimi

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)

Primary scientist: Remi Ferland

**Combination Research
Centres
(until 31 December 2008)**

CRC representative to the IERS Directing Board:
N.N.

Agenzia Spaziale Italiana/Centro di Geodesia Spaziale (CGS)

Primary scientist: Giuseppe Bianco

**Astronomical Institute, Academy of Sciences of the Czech
Republic, and Department of Geodesy, Czech Technical
University, Prague**

Primary scientist: Jan Vondrák

Deutsches Geodätisches Forschungsinstitut (DGFI)

Primary scientist: Detlef Angermann

**Forsvarets forskningsinstitutt (FFI, Norwegian Defence
Research Establishment)**

Primary scientist: Per Helge Andersen

GeoForschungsZentrum Potsdam (GFZ)

Primary scientist: Markus Rothacher

**Institute of Geodesy and Geoinformation of the University
of Bonn (IGGB)**

Primary scientist: Axel Nothnagel

Groupe de Recherches de Géodésie Spatiale (GRGS)

Primary scientist: Richard Biancale

Institut Géographique National (IGN)

Primary scientist: Zuheir Altamimi

Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL)

Primary scientist: Richard S. Gross

Working Groups

Working Group on Site Survey and Co-location

Chair: Gary Johnston (until 31 December 2008),
Pierguido Sarti (since 1 January 2009)

Working Group on Combination

(until 31 December 2008)
Chair: Markus Rothacher

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Working Group on Prediction

(until October 2009)

Chair: William H. Wooden (until August 2009),
Brian J. Luzum (from September to October 2009)

IERS/IVS Working Group on the Second Realization of the ICRF

Chair: Chopo Ma

Working Group on Combination at the Observation Level

(established in October 2009)

Chair: Richard Biancale

Working Group on SINEX Format

(established in April 2011)

Chair: Daniela Thaller

(Status as of December 2011)