IPY 2007-2008 Scholarly Publications Policy

1. General Guidelines

1.1 Each IPY Project is expected to produce at least one scholarly publication as a result of its activities. Wherever possible, these IPY scholarly products should be published in the peer-reviewed literature.

1.2 If the task of the IPY Project is directed to methodologies and new techniques applied in IPY 2007–2008, publication as a technical paper in an appropriate series and on the web is encouraged to ensure wider distribution.

1.3 If the activity incorporates research from many disciplines, consider a "special issue" of an appropriate scientific journal.

1.4 If the activity involves extensive review of the ongoing or new research activities, consider producing a reference text.

1.5 In general, each IPY Project will identify the financial support necessary for publishing its work.

2. Attribution

2.1 Each publication arising from IPY Project activities should carry acknowledgment of being a part of the IPY 2007–2008 and of its co-sponsors, ICSU and WMO. This acknowledgement should state that ‘This project was conducted as part of the International Polar Year 2007-2008, which was sponsored by the International Council for Science and the World Meteorological Organisation.’

2.2 Where possible, authors should include the IPY logo and those of ICSU and WMO (see bottom of page for copies of logos or download them from www.ipy.org or the ICSU or WMO web sites).

3. Access and Archiving

3.1 IPY Projects should endeavour to provide universal and equitable access to their publications regardless to the language and/or venue of the publication.

3.2 For each IPY publication, authors should provide the IPY Publications Database with (i) one or more electronic links (DOI, URL) to the publication, or (ii) the actual publication. Further details, including where to submit contributions, are provided on the Reporting Your Publications page at http://www.nisc.com/ipy.

4. The "Official" IPY Book Series

4.1 It is anticipated that there will be at least one proposal for an official IPY book series that provides a holistic description and synthesis of all aspects of the science of IPY. Any such proposals should be submitted to the IPY Joint Committee (through the IPY International Programme Office) for approval.

4.2 Where possible, synthesis volumes should be developed for each of the IPY themes.

5. Future Questions on the Scholarly Publications Policy

5.1 An Ad Hoc group from the Joint Committee will remain intact to provide guidance as needed.