

Report of the SCOR president Sinjae Yoo

Due to the pandemic, many meetings have been cancelled. All the activities related to outside organizations have been done on-line. These include meetings with several organizations. The International Science Council (ISC) convened a planning meeting in March 2021 to facilitate exchange among its affiliated bodies. Patricia and I attended this meeting. We provided comments to the Science and Technological Community Major Group (STC MG) position paper prepared by the ISC in March. The ISC held the Second Global Forum of Funders (26 - 28 April 2021) where Patricia and I participated. Marie-Alexandrine, Patricia and I participated in the 2nd General Assembly of ISC held in Oct 11-15. The IOC/UNESCO postponed its 53rd Executive meeting from June 2020 to March 2021. Patricia and I attended the meetings. In May 2021, we had an informal leadership meeting with the IOC Secretary. Marie-Alexandrine, Patricia and I participated in the meeting and discussed how we could improve collaboration between the two organizations. In June 2021, the 54th Exec/General Assembly of IOC was held on-line, and Patricia and I participated in the meetings. Since the fourth quarter of 2020, a host for the Ocean Knowledge-Action Network International Project Office has been solicited and selected. Now the IPO has been placed in Paris and its executive director was hired to run the IPO. Marie-Alexandrine and I have attended several meetings of sponsors for this. Proclamation of an International Year of Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development (IYBSSD) is being planned for 2022. An MoU was signed in April 2020 between SCOR and International Union of Pure and Applied Physics (IUPAP) representing the SSC of IYBSSD.