

STCU 25th BOARD RECORD OF DECISIONS – NOVEMBER 15, '07



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The STCU Governing Board, at its 25th meeting, made the following decisions:

- Approved twenty-one (21) regular projects (including continuations) for a total of USD \$1,081,649 + €1,676,692.
- Approved six (6) STCU-Azerbaijan Academy of Sciences Targeted R&D Initiative projects for a total of USD \$99,832 and €34,692.
- 2008 Administrative Operating Budget (AOB) approved as presented (Total \$1,703,844 - Subject to funds availability): sharing ratios for the 2008 AOB and Shared Supplemental Budgets (SB) will be USA – 49.56%, EU – 41.21%, and Canada 9.23%.
- Approved Supplemental Budget (SB) as presented with \$139,000 for Activity 04.01, \$35,000 for Activity 05.01, \$65,000 for Activity 06.01, \$35,000 for Activity 09.01, \$39,575 for Activity 12.01, and \$400,000 for Activity 13.01, using the sharing ratios identified above for the AOB, as well as \$1,130,000 assigned to Activities by the USA, €631,384 assigned to Activities by the EU, \$580,000 assigned to Activities by CA and \$80,000 assigned to Activities by Partners.
- The Governing Board in the first instance welcomes the continued steps and efforts made to date by the Government of Ukraine to resolve the prolongation of the STCU user agreement (scheduled to expire on December 31, 2007) for the facility located at 21 Kamenyariv Street, Kyiv (the current STCU Headquarters building); however, the Governing Board urges the Government of Ukraine to finally resolve this issue as soon as possible in order to fulfill its obligation under Article IX (B) of the Agreement to Establish the STCU. The STCU Governing Board requests the STCU Secretariat to keep all Parties informed on the results of the aforementioned efforts in relation to the extension of the building user agreement.

In the second instance, in the event that the STCU experiences a disruption or deterioration in its ability to operate as a consequence of the non-renewal of the lease agreement, the STCU Governing Board considers that this constitutes a case of “force majeure”.

In the event of “force majeure”, the STCU Governing Board instructs the STCU Executive Director to take all appropriate steps, to include the immediate suspension until further notice of all regular and government partner projects and programs in Ukraine, with the ability to later suspend all other STCU projects and programs in Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova, and Uzbekistan as deemed necessary.

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- Approved the system where all (shared and party specific) Supplemental Budget lines are “zeroed out” at the end of the year and are replenished with the new gross request in the subsequent year, beginning with fiscal year 2007.
- Approved the creation of Supplemental Budget #13 – Institute Sustainability
- Approved the elimination of Supplemental Budget #3 - Information Technology Support, Supplemental Budget #4 – Communication Support, Supplemental Budget #7 – Expert Contact, and Supplemental Budget #11 – Targeted Initiatives.
- Approved greater than ten (10) percent overspend of 2007 Administrative Operating Budget (AOB) International Travel, Local Travel, Telecommunications Services, and Subscriptions and Publications line items.
- Approved Lubbock Fine Chartered Accountants as auditors of the Year Ended December 31, 2007 and December 31, 2008 STCU financial statements.
- Confirmed extension of current Deputy Executive Director- (EU) Michel Zayet for an eighteen-month term beginning on January 1, 2008.
- Confirmed extension of current Chief Financial Officer (USA) Curtis Bjelajac for a six-month term beginning on January 1, 2008.
- Noted introduction of fourteen (14) new Partners to the STCU since the May 2007 24th STCU Board of Governors meeting, including: **RIKZ (the National Institute for Coastal and Marine Management) (EU); ETO Magnetic KG, (EU); Nissan Motor Manufacturing Ltd., Belgian Branch (EU); University of Massachusetts Lowell Center for Atmospheric Research (UMLCAR) (USA); Worldbeater Limited (EU); CG2 NanoCoatings Inc. (CA); Bechtel National, Inc. (USA); Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (EU); Chatham Biotec Ltd. (CA); AECOM (USA); Technology Management Company (USA); Electro-Sciences and Technology (EU); Bregma Materials Solutions Ltd. (CA) and Aquafuel Research Ltd. (EU).**
- Confirmed twenty (20) new Partner Projects activities approved since the May 2007 STCU Board of Governors Meeting for a total of **\$2,266,958 and €149,641**, including: **P-168, P215, P-287, and P344 - DOE / IPP Program, (USA), P-242 – Medteknostics Inc., (CA), P253, P261, P279, P281, P338, and P339 –European Office of Aerospace Research and Development, (USA), P-312 – Assystem Ltd., (EU), P-321 – LPMS of University of Montpellier, (EU), P-327 – The Boeing Company, (USA), P-330 – University of**

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Massachusetts Lowell Center for Atmospheric Research (UMLCAR), (USA), P-331 – Vlaams Instituut voor de Zee (VLIZ), (EU), P-332 – Institute of Energy Research (IEF-5) - Photovoltaics, Forschungszentrum Juelich, (EU), P-334 – United Kingdom Department of Trade & Industry/Closed Nuclear Cities Program, (EU), P-337 – ETO Magnetic KG, (EU), and P-342 – The Imprimatur Capital Limited UK, (EU); also confirmed three (3) Partner Project contract extensions with the U.S. National Cancer Institute (P003I), USA, P-269a – Alcatel, EU and P-288a – Pasteur Institute, EU, for a total of \$288,309 and €6,867.

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