FDSN WG IV  CTBTO coordination

Monday lunchtime
12:00 p.m. – 13:30 p.m. Room MR 110

Working Draft Agenda

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Summary of meeting
FDSN Working Group IV
CTBT Coordination

• overview of the International Scientific Studies initiative, followed by fruitful discussions with benefit of representatives of the CTBTO
Outcomes - 1

FDSN should seek to collaborate with the CTBTO in areas of quality control, capacity building, training materials, and data mining:

• request real-time data for selected stations including arrays, routinely compute PDF’s, and supply these to the CTBTO to aid QC

• participate in joint training sessions

• arrange to backfill an archive of data for specific IMS stations to investigate data mining
Outcomes - 2

• the FDSN could act as data broker for member agencies who propose scientific projects under the ISS

• the FDSN should present itself at upcoming meetings in Vienna in March and June 2009 to gain visibility within the CTBT community
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(anything to report?)
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~ 500 participants, good mix of young and “old”, newcomers to CTBTO and usual suspects

step-by-step making PTS data (raw and bulletins) available to community (separate presentation by John Coyne)

FDSN well represented
The IMS Network and the International Federation Of Digital Seismograph Networks,(FDSN): A Productive and Long and Winding Road

Gerardo Suárez and Florian Haslinger
International Federation of Digital Seismograph Network
Challenges of IMS and FDSN in the Early Years:

- Ensure Dual Use: Scientific and IMS
- Guarantee Independent Operation
- Authentication and IMS Format
- Training Operators to Troubleshoot both Systems
Mutual Benefits of this Relationship:

- Small Investment for the IMS
- Improved Operator Qualifications
- IMS Modernized Equipment at some Sites
- Reliable Communications for some FDSN Stations
Federation of Digital Broad-Band Seismograph Networks

Future Benefits and Challenges:

- Improve Operational Efficiency and Sustainability
- Collaborate in the Development of Local Seismological Expertise
- Support establishment of NDCs
Sharing IMS Data?

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*THE TIDE HAS CHANGED!*
Real Time Stations (Backbone)
46 countries
150 infrastructures
800 BB stations
1800 SP stations
3000 SM stations
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- Common web-based tools for data exchange for use with NDC-in-a-box (for example)
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PTS – FDSN breakout meetings on

- web services
  - PTS is developing web services for access to data & products via IDC secure website
  - web services may also be used for access to data & products through the vDEC (virtual data exploitation centre) platform
  - QuakeML (or other community xml standards) might play a role

- capacity building & training
  - agree that it would be beneficial to exchange information on training & capacity building programs
  - specifically exchange participants / applicants lists
  - seek synergies, e.g. include PTS training modules in (or attached to) other training courses (IRIS, ORFEUS, GFZ – there it already happened)
  - PTS training courses today usually separate for “data center” and “station operator” (different program content)
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On the fringes:

letter from Station Operator / host institution for TORD (Niger array) to Gerardo Suarez (via Chuck Estabrook, former PTS staff) on draft agreement with FDSN:
- provision of TORD data (inc. FDNS membership of Niger) in exchange for support by FDSN for training & education (e.g. M.Sc / PhD projects with FDSN member institutions, training programs by FDSN members in Niger, invitation of TORD staff to training programs abroad)

Agreement that we (FDSN chair) signs such agreement?
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formalize (informally...) coordination of capacity building & training
(mailing list / nominate contact points at FDSN and PTS)

promote & coordinate bilateral support / partnership programs
especially with (but not limited to) countries / institutions that do not
have a (strong) seismology program, “orphan” auxiliary seismic
stations (those not supported by international networks) in developing
countries
  - try to get CTBT station hosting institutions to join FDSN?
    what benefits can FDSN offer?

cooperate on providing access to CTBT data & products, together /
inintegrated with scientific community data & products
  - integrate web-services / access portals
  - create “virtual” IMS with all open CTBT stations on FDSN / IRIS

Exchange data & metrics on station problems, equipment failures and
data outages
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Support development of interface(s) to connect “NDC” software (NDC-in-a-box, CD1.x data) to community packages (SeisComp3, Earthworm,...) (Mark Chadwick’s idea)
A resolution?
The FDSN, recognizing the mutual benefits arising from close collaboration with the CTBTO/PTS

- welcomes the current efforts at the CTBTO/PTS to reach out to and seek closer collaboration with the scientific community, in particular with respect to making IMS data and IDC products available;
- offers its support and seeks active cooperation in the development and implementation of data access and exchange mechanisms and tools, and in the coordination of technical training and capacity building programs;
- endeavors to promote and support collaboration between FDSN member organizations and CTBT host country institutions (station operators and National Data Centres), specifically with regard to technical cooperation, capacity building and training.