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SCI2002: International Conference Challenges Ecoinformatics

Karen Baker, Palmer LTER




The LTER Information Management Executive committee met during the SCI 2002 Orlando: (clockwise starting at 7:00) Barbara Benson (NTL), Karen Baker (PAL (SEV), James Brunt (NET), John Anderson (JRN), Tim Bergsma (KBS), Wade Sh Boose (HFR), Peter McCartney (CAP), and with her back to us is Susan Stafford

The SCI2002 conference, attended by more than 1,000 scientists in a wide variety of interests in systemics, cybernetics and informatics, was kicked off with a keynote by John Porter and Susan Stafford (The Ecoinformatics Challenge: Meeting Ecological Information Management at the Site, Network, and Community) delivered before an audience of more than 1000.

To stimulate the exchange of developments in information management and to promote dialogue, LTER information managers participated in two Ecoinformatics Challenges by Karen Baker and John Porter at the SCI2002 meeting (<http://www.iis.org/sci2002>) in Orlando, Florida. Twelve LTER papers were published in the conference proceedings.

http://intranet.lternet.edu/committees/information_management/sci_2002/

Highlights of the conference included "Best Paper" distinctions awarded to the following contributions: "The Future Of Ecoinformatics in Long Term Ecological Research" by Peter McCartney, Karen Baker, Susan Stafford; "Integrating Ecological Data: Tools and Methods" by John Porter and Kenneth Ramsey; "Designing Web Database Applications for Long Term Ecological Research" by Dan Smith, Barbara Benson and David Balsiger.

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