

## Next steps for the ESDSWG planning

Regrettably, we have had to cancel the October ESDSWG meeting due to the government shutdown. The timing of the shutdown will have a significant impact on the work of ESDSWG, particularly coming at such a critical time in our annual planning cycle. As soon as funding is restored, we will be looking at options to mitigate the impact of the shutdown and get the working group activities up and running again. It is likely that we will try to reschedule the meeting for some future date although it will no doubt take some time to find a suitable venue with the necessary availability. Meanwhile, we plan to work with the 2013 working group technical chairs and proposers of the new working groups to prioritize some interim activities that we can usefully undertake between now and the date of the rescheduled meeting.

--Steve