

ACCORD

A Consortium for CONvection-scale modelling
Research and Development

MG+LTM meeting slides

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Outcome of the STAC+MG discussion in Nov 2025

- Guidelines formulated for the next MG & STAC (ie for phase 2):
 - Reinforce the LTM-MG link
 - Reinforce the MG-STAC link
 - The relevance of the WWs was emphasized (without downplaying the role of the scientific visits!)
 - Keep priorities visible with appropriate information and explanations

Agenda

- Defining cross-ACCORD priorities
- 2026 timetable

Defining cross-ACCORD priorities

- The MG will strengthen the definition of “cross-ACCORD priority” topics (and the tasks associated with them) in view of the 2027 work plans
- Priority topics already were pointed out by the MG in the RWP2026
- The identification of priorities, along with the explanations on staffing and expertise requirements, has been welcome in the recent Governance meetings (STAC, A/A)

Defining cross-ACCORD priorities

- The topics should be
 - Beneficial across ACCORD, transversal to families/to CSCs
 - Further fostering team building
 - Corresponding to high-priority scientific and/or technical goals and in line with the Scientific Strategy
- The MG will reach out to Co-leaders to help
 - defining and drafting these priorities for 2027,
 - organizing the activity in 2026 and 2027 (2026 is included in order to enable a seamless transition in implementing work when relevant)
 - reporting during 2027 on their progress.

Defining cross-ACCORD priorities

- Local teams may define their own priorities and we will not forbid them to make their own choices
- Nevertheless, we want to push the joint efforts (and the ACCORD resources) a little more into the cross-ACCORD priorities ...
- therefore the teams will be (strongly) invited to consider staffing the cross-ACCORD priority tasks
- Note: this method will also help identify where ACCORD has gaps in expertise and/or in staffing

Timetable 2026

General idea: work out and share the priority topics (headlines) early in spring, rather in anticipation of the general update of the RWP for the next year.

- 13 May: Headlines of the cross-ACCORD priorities ready in MG
- 22 May: Start sharing the priorities with LTMs (by a shared file)
 - => LTMs discuss with their teams & propose preliminary commitments (these commitments shall be confirmed/amended in September)
 - LTMs also will be invited to get in touch with relevant MG people if they have specific questions on a priority
- 10 June: MG checks the feedback from LTMs on the staffing of priorities
- May-June: Preparation of RWP2027 in general (including drafting in more detail the priority tasks)
- End of June: first draft of RWP2027 ready for scrutiny by LTMs

Questions regarding the process ?

- Comments on the general aspects (definitions, methodology, timetable)

For specific comments on a topic, please get in touch with the relevant Area Leader or other relevant persons from the MG

Any next MG+LTM meeting ?

- Open for now ...

Closure & end of the meeting

- we thank everyone for your participation